

Sydenham Goes

On Tuesday, Year One and Year Four enjoyed Bollywood dance workshops. The children absolutely loved learning different steps as you can see from the smiles on their lovely faces.

Bollywood Crazy!







Y4 History Topic

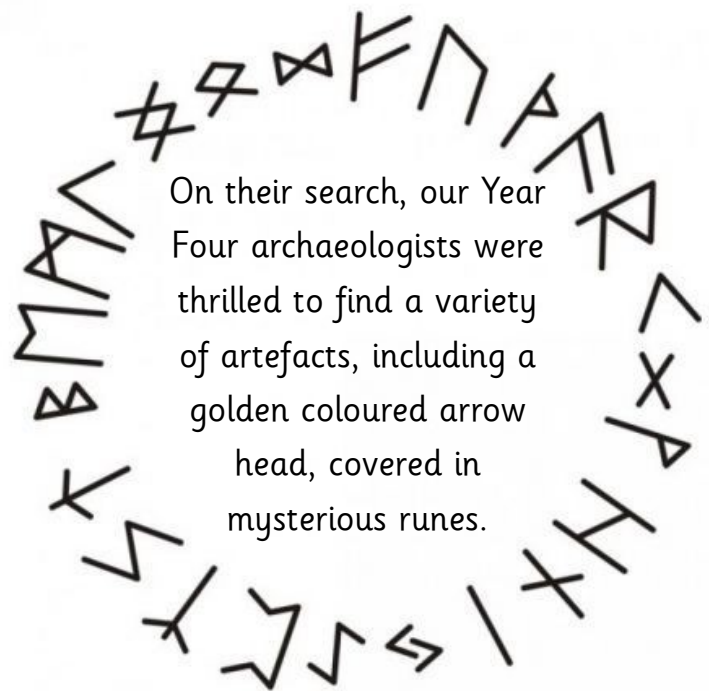
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What an exciting find! Year 4 went on a search to look for Anglo-Saxon and Norman artefacts and made a fascinating discovery. We listed all the questions we would like to research linked to the historical artefact.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

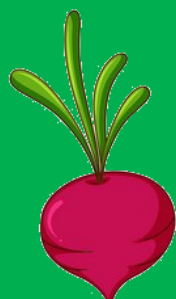
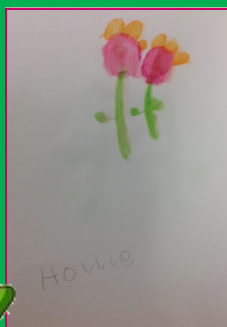
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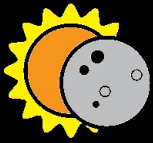
YR Green Fingers



Reception's veg patch has produced its first crop—delicious radishes! The children have enjoyed watching the plants grow and were very excited to dig up the fruits of their labours. Unfortunately, some of the children weren't so keen on the peppery taste of the radishes! Toma commented, "It's yucky. I don't like it because it's not carrots!"



Solar Eclipse



Year Six watched the partial solar eclipse on Thursday using a pin hole camera device to protect their eyes. As the moon passed in front of the sun, an eerie sight could be seen... Pupils also used their listening skills to hear whether the birds stopped singing—a common occurrence during an eclipse since birds can be fooled into thinking it's night time.





Sunflowers



We were delighted to see this photo of Noah with the sunflower he grew from the seed given to him by school during the last lockdown.

Well done Noah for taking such good care of your sunflower.



Other Information

Face Coverings

Please note that the wearing of face coverings on the school site is now discretionary.

Primary School Quality Mark Assessment (PSQM)

This week, school was assessed to see whether it met the threshold to be re-accredited



with the Primary School Quality Mark (formerly known as The Basic Skills Quality Mark.) The assessor, Mr Nigel Edge, spent time examining a portfolio of evidence put together by our PSQM Lead, Ms Knight. He also spoke to Mrs Westwood, Miss Glenny, Mrs Pressey, Mrs Van der Sterren (Maths Coordinator), pupils and governors via Microsoft Teams.

Mr Edge will now write a report summing up his findings and then tell us whether we meet the threshold for re-accreditation. Fingers crossed!

Well done to Manvi, Seb, Jay and Simran for doing such an excellent job of talking to Mr Edge about their learning. You made us very proud!

Diary Dates

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| Monday 14th June 2021 | YR vision screening. |
| Monday June 21st 2021 | Forest School Week begins. |
| Friday June 25th 2021 | MUFTI (non uniform) Day. Please bring 50p if your child wears their own choice of clothes. |
| Monday June 28th 2021 | Sport' Week begins. |
| Thursday 15th July 2021 | Y6 dragon boat racing. |
| Friday 16th July 2021 | Meet your new teacher day. |
| Wednesday 21st July 2021 | Break up for the summer holiday |
| Thursday 22nd July—Wednesday 1st September school closed for summer holiday | |
| Thursday 2nd September 2021 | School closed for teacher training. |
| Friday 3rd September 2021 | School closed for teacher training. |
| Monday 6th September 2021 | Autumn term begins. |

I hope you enjoy a sunny weekend.

Kind regards from Miss Glenny



Sydenham Superstars

YR LS

Mrs Scholes has chosen **Archie** as this week's superstar. Archie has been trying so hard with his phonics and has used his spelling hand to sound out when writing. He has also done some reading at home which has really helped him to make progress. Keep it up, Archie.

YR HC

Jackson is the YR HC superstar this week. Jackson is moving to a new school in Henley and we will really miss him! He has lit up the classroom every day with his enthusiasm, energy and sense of fun. Good luck in your new school, Jackson!

Y1 EL

The Y1 EL superstar is **Alfie**. Alfie starts at his new school in Henley next week and we will miss him very much. Alfie has been such a wonderful friend and talk partner who always works hard and tries his absolute best. We know his star will shine in his new school.

Y1 CD

Miss Daly's superstar is **Clayton**. Clayton has had a great week in school and worked hard to listen carefully, share his brilliant ideas and answer questions in class. Clayton has also made a super effort with his writing. We're very proud of you, Clayton.

Y2 RK

Miss Knight has chosen **Narayan** as superstar for being brave. Despite being in hospital, Narayan has returned to school full of beans and willing to learn. He has been just like our pig learning character and had a go at all tasks. Well done!

Y2 CP

Yuvraj is the Y2 CP superstar. Yuvraj has written a spectacular story this week all about a giant who gets trapped by a little girl. He used fantastic vocabulary and wrote a whole page! Yuvraj has also made a super effort with his maths learning. What a star!

Y3 JL

Mr Lee has chosen **Harvey** as superstar for making a super effort to concentrate on his learning and complete all tasks. This week he has written a lovely setting description and made great progress learning about fractions. This is Harvey's last day at Sydenham Primary School and we will all miss him. We wish you all the best at your new school, Harvey.

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Y3 CR

The Y3 CR superstar is **Ella** who has been chosen for her resilience. Ella faces every challenge with a smile and she never gives up, just like our elephant learning character. Ella always works hard and brings a sense of fun to the classroom. Well done!

Y4 RK

Mrs Keys' star of the week is **Sara**. She has come back this week ready to learn and is working really hard to improve her pace and presentation in every lesson. She always listens respectfully and has a wonderfully positive and helpful attitude. Well done, Sara! Keep up the great work.

Y4 SM

The Y4 SM superstar this week is **Joel** who, along with his brothers, starts a new school in Henley next week. Joel is a much loved member of our school community who has been a joy to teach. Joel is enthusiastic and motivated, especially in Topic lessons where he loves to share his knowledge. Joel is an absolute Sydenham superstar who we will really miss. We know you'll do so well at your new school, Joel. Good luck!

Y5 CB

Paige has been chosen as Y5 CB superstar for having a brilliant first week at Sydenham Primary School. Paige has made friends straight away thanks to her lovely personality. She has tried hard with her work and been keen to have a go, even trying beetroot for the first time this week! We're very glad you joined us, Paige.

Y5 JE

Miss Ellershaw has nominated **Ava** as this week's superstar. Ava is always smiling and spreading happiness amongst her classmates by making others laugh. Ava is also a hard worker who created a brilliant introduction to her suspense story this week. Well done, Ava.

Y6 KG

Johban is the Y6 KG superstar. Johban always works hard, concentrates and wants to improve. He is happy to push himself, especially in Maths where he loves to tackle extra challenges. Keep up this brilliant growth mindset, Johban.

Y6 JvS

Mrs Van der Sterren has nominated **Alfie F** as superstar for his wonderful writing. Alfie has been writing more independently this week and has worked hard to concentrate, listen and improve his productivity. He has used his writing plan to structure his writing and made great progress. Keep it up, Alfie.