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ONLINE SAFETY

It has come to our attention that some children are accessing platforms that are not suitable based on the suggested age range for them. This has led to an increase in unsuitable language being used in school, which is upsetting for other children to hear. Please be aware of what your child is accessing online and monitor it regularly.

The following website gives clear information and guidance about computer games.

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https://pegi.info



SQUASHIES

We have had another incident where a squashie that was brought in from home has burst. Please do not allow your child to bring in items from home as we cannot guarantee their safety.

NURSERY

What a fantastic start to the year it has been in Nursery! The children have settled into nursery life incredibly well and have embraced new routines, expectations and friendships with confidence and enthusiasm.

This half term, our topic has been All About Me. The children have been learning about who they are as individuals, exploring how we are all unique and special in our own ways. We have been learning the names of different body parts, talking about our families and homes, and developing an understanding of our feelings and emotions. Through stories, discussions and play, the children have begun to recognise how they feel and how others may feel too.

Alongside this learning, the children have worked hard to develop their social skills, learning how to take turns, share, cooperate and work together as a team. We have loved seeing new friendships blossom and watching the children support and encourage one another during their play and learning experiences.

We are incredibly proud of how well the children have settled and look forward to another exciting half term of learning and discovery.



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RECEPTION

During this half term Reception have been settling in and getting to know their new friends.
We have had a particular focus on our feelings through our learning about the colour monster and how he felt on his first day of school. The children have enjoyed learning about different feelings with their linked colours and have learnt some strategies to support them. A particular favourite has been the new 'calm boxes' we have in each class which the children have loved exploring.
Linked to our learning 'All About Me' the children have been sharing boxes that they created over the Summer holidays to tell us more about them, their families and interests. We've loved finding out more about our friends and what they do at home, what they like and who is in their family including their pets. One of our favourite books this half term was 'Funnybones' which we used to practise retelling stories, learn about the parts of our body and even made our very own skeletons. As part of our learning about looking after our bodies we did an experiment to show how germs can be passed on using glitter, we couldn't believe what happened when we used soap to wash our hands and how quickly the 'germs' disappeared!





YEAR 1

It has been a fantastic start to the school year, and we have been delighted to see how well our Year 1 children have settled into school life. They have embraced new routines and responsibilities with enthusiasm and have already shown great growth in their confidence and independence.
This half term, our topic has been ‘Toys’, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about toys from the past and comparing them with the toys they play with today. We were also very lucky to welcome a local historian into school, who delivered an engaging workshop all about historical toys. The children were excited to explore and handle some of the toys themselves, helping to bring their learning to life and creating some wonderful memories. We quickly discovered that Year 1 children make excellent historians, especially when toys are involved!
We are incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved so far and are excited for all the learning and adventures still to come.

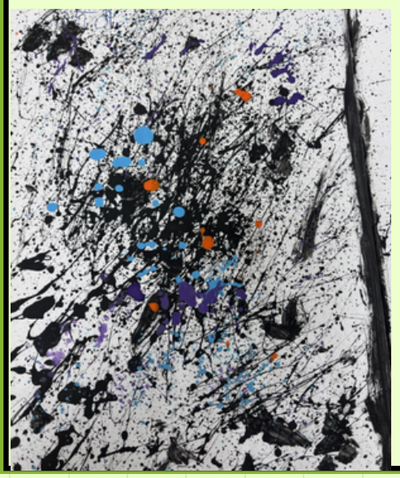


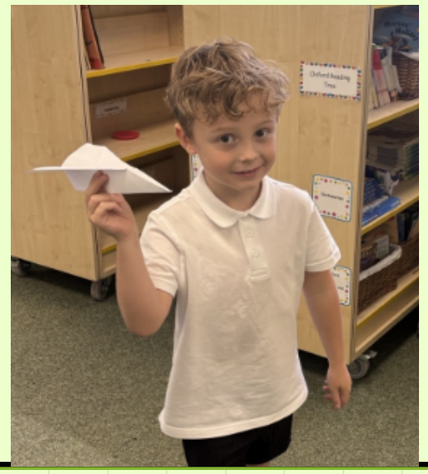


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YEAR 2

Our Year 2 children have had a fantastic start to their new topic, 'Wheels, Wings and Wonderful Things'. The children have been exploring the exciting world of transport and flight, whilst developing their historical, artistic and scientific understanding.
This half term, the children have been learning about the remarkable achievements of Orville and Wilbur Wright, better known as the Wright Brothers. They have discovered how determination, perseverance and innovation helped them achieve the first successful powered flight. The children have enjoyed discussing how air travel has changed over time and the impact this has had on our world today.
We were excited to take part in a RAF workshop. The workshop provided a wonderful opportunity for the children to ask questions, explore new ideas and deepen their understanding of aviation.
In Art, the children have been studying the work of the famous American artist Jackson Pollock. They have explored his unique style of action painting and experimented with different techniques to create their own expressive artworks. The children thoroughly enjoyed using movement and colour to produce their masterpieces and have shown great creativity throughout the process.
In maths the children have developing their knowledge of Place Value and in English we have been using the book 'Mrs Armitage on wheels'.
We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, curiosity and hard work the children have shown so far and look forward to sharing more of their learning with you soon.

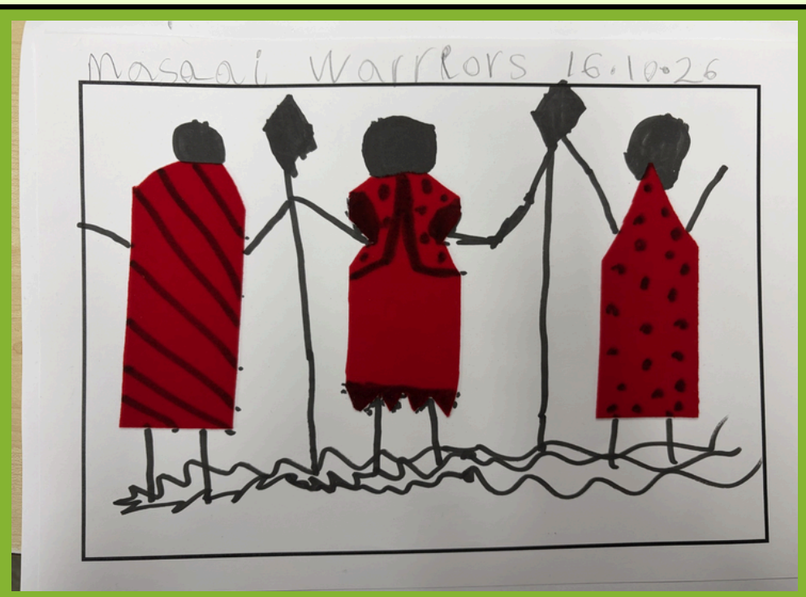






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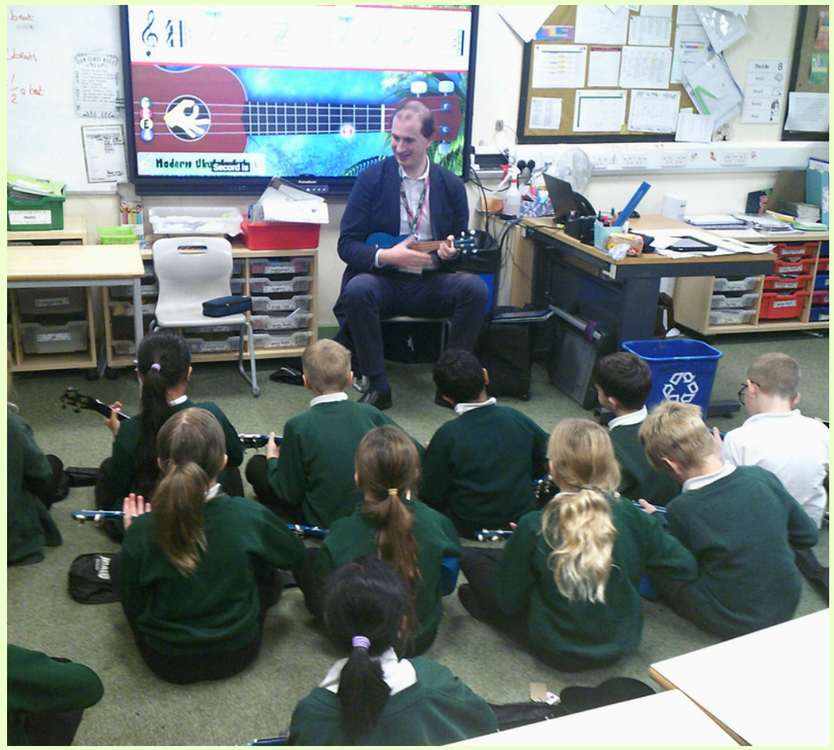
Year 3 South Africa Topic
Year 3 have really enjoyed learning about South Africa this half term and have shown great enthusiasm throughout the topic. They have engaged brilliantly with their learning and have loved discovering new facts about the country's culture and traditions.
A particular highlight has been our Art work, where the children created their own Maasai Warrior-inspired felt figures. They enjoyed exploring different shapes, colours and patterns to create unique designs, showcasing their creativity and artistic skills.
We are very proud of the effort and enthusiasm Year 3 have shown throughout this exciting topic.



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YEAR 4

This half term, year 4 have been learning how to play the ukelele. Mr Chalk has also been teaching us voice warmups and teaching us how to sing in a round. We are very much looking forward to sharing our new found talents at the end of term in our performance for parents and friends.



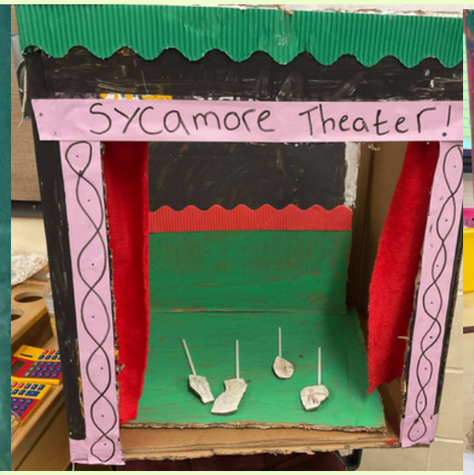
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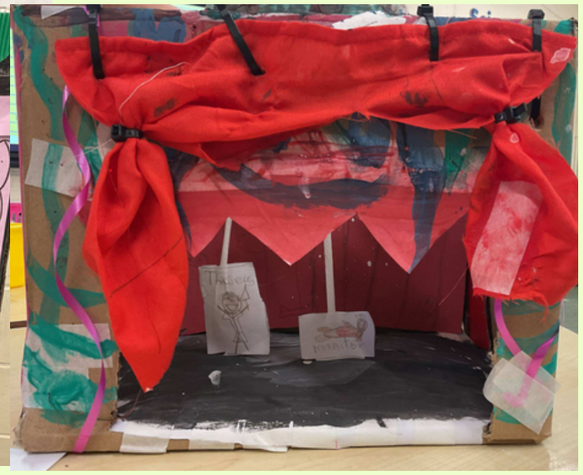
Year 5 have greatly enjoyed designing, making and decorating our stages, which we made for our DT days. We are very excited about our Ancient Greece day where we will be having our own Olympics, debating if we'd rather live in Athens or Sparta and acting out some of the plays we have been writing.











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YEAR 6

Year 6 have had a busy and exciting term, exploring a range of creative and practical learning opportunities. In English, we have been studying Macbeth and developing our understanding of Shakespeare's work through drama and movement, creating our own Shakespeare-inspired dances to bring the story to life. We also took part in Bikeability training, where pupils developed their cycling skills and learned how to ride safely and confidently on the road. In Art, we have been exploring photography and creating self-portraits inspired by the famous photographer Annie Leibovitz, carefully considering lighting, composition and expression to capture our personalities. We are very proud of the enthusiasm, creativity and dedication Year 6 have shown in all of these activities.

