



Welcome to our Learning Newsletter! Each half term we will be sharing what each year group has been up to in their learning. We are extremely proud of all of our BRILLIANT learners...a huge well done!

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## Nursery

This half term Nursery have been busy thinking about the different celebrations of Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas. We made Rangoli patterns, diva lamps and painted hands with henna. Miss Toni and Mrs Archana both shared with us how they celebrate Diwali and Hanukkah with their families. We also talked about how we celebrate Christmas and enjoyed putting on our Christmas show for parents and Reception children.



This term we investigated dark and light by making dens, playing with torches and using our sensory room. When it was very cold we explored the ice and frost in the Nursery garden. We saw beautiful, sparkling spiderwebs covered in frost and wrapped up warm in our hats and gloves.



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We used our 5 senses by guessing different smells in our smell pots, guessing what we were touching in our feely boxes, playing 'I spy' and going on a sensory walk with bare feet. We've explored different materials both man-made and natural and even made patterns with our foraged natural materials. We have also enjoyed listening to lots of stories including 'The Gruffalo' and 'Old McDonald Heard a Parp'. We learnt lots from Show Racism the Red Card day and from Sign me Happy who came in to teach us some sign language. Next term the children will continue learning more songs in Signed Supported English.



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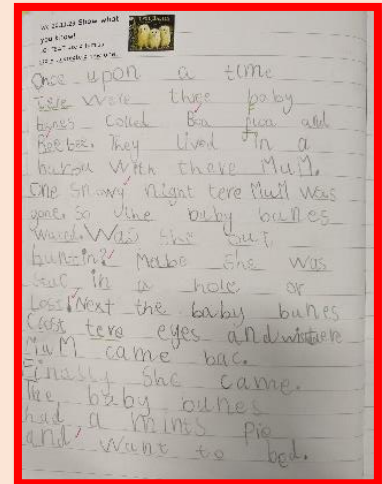


## Year 1

This half term year 1 looked at measuring length and height. We arranged rods in order of length and played games where our partner had to spot which rod had been moved.

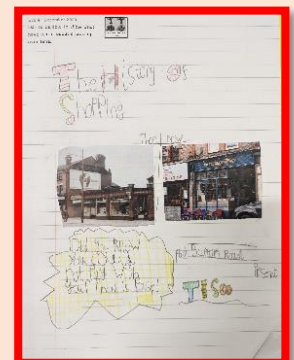
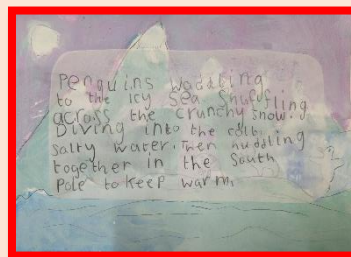


We have been exploring the question, 'What makes some places sacred?' in R.E this half term. We thought about a place that feels special to us and learnt the different between special and sacred. We've been learning about places of worship and even visited a Buddhist centre. We learnt about Buddhism and meditation.



In English we have written our own stories based on the book Owl Babies.

We found an egg in our corridor! We found out that it was a penguin egg and learnt all about Antarctica so we could best look after it. We learnt facts about penguins and painted Antarctic scenes. We then wrote a poem about penguins as a class and published these onto our paintings.



In history we have been looking at the question, 'How has shopping on Burton Road changed?' Take a look at our end of unit posters.



## Year 2

In Maths we have been learning about measurement. We had to use our problem solving skills to make a blanket for grandad. We used three arm lengths for the length and two arm lengths for the width. We discovered that arm lengths are not a good unit of measure because our arms are different lengths. We really enjoyed it.



We went on a trip to The Lowry where we learnt about the Great Fire of London! We made collaborative art work...we even got to meet Stick Man!



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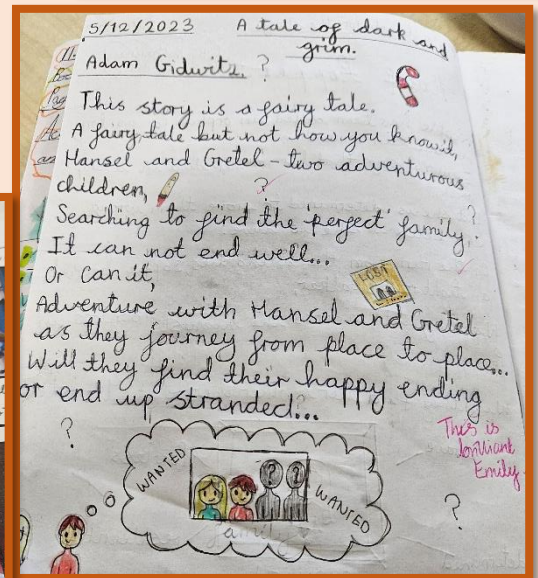
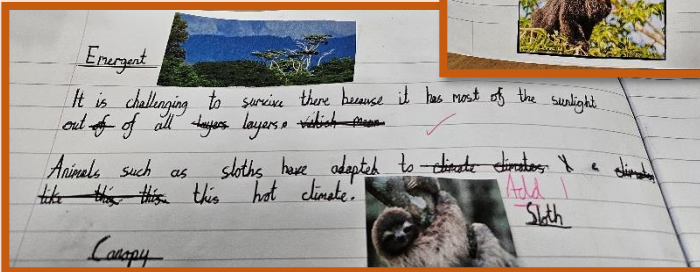
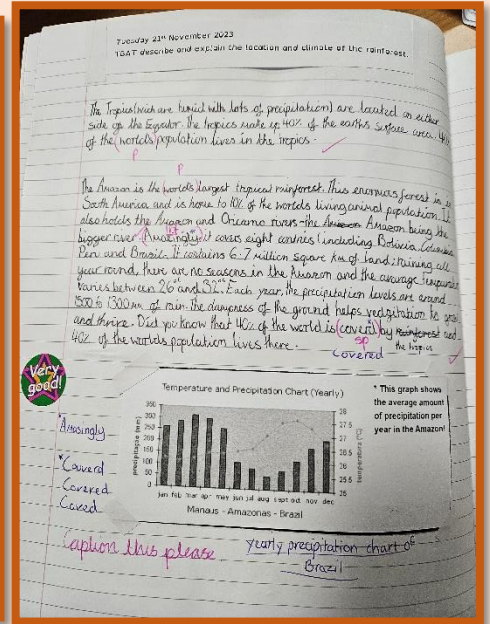
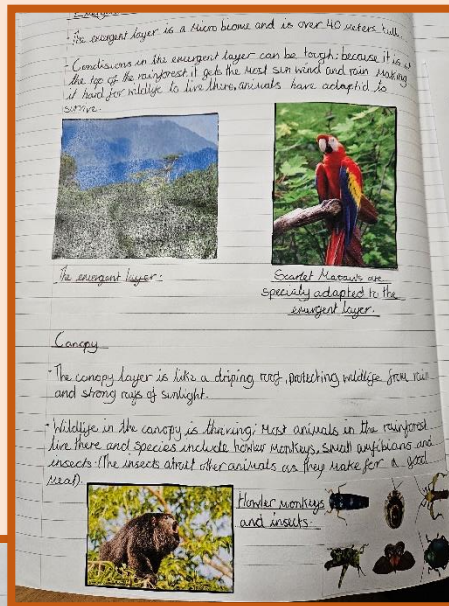
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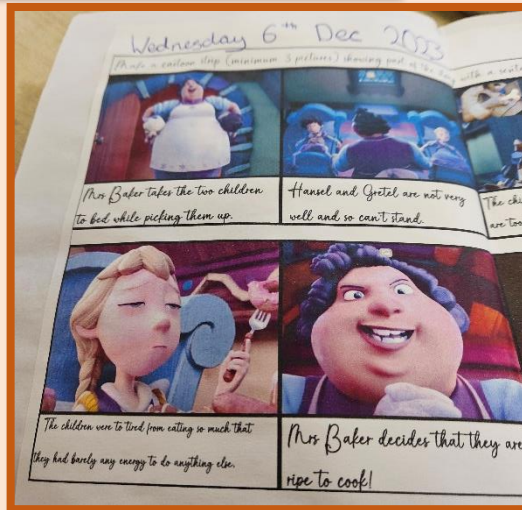


## Year 6

Our first term in Year 6 has been very busy and we are proud of the **BRILLIANT** learning that has taken place. We have been learning about the amazon rainforest in geography.



Children have shown a real love of reading in their reading journals. Entries have been creative, thoughtful and reflective.



Here are some of the final pieces from our Making Our Voices Heard art unit.

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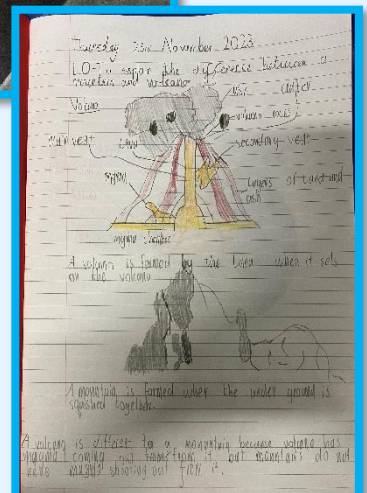
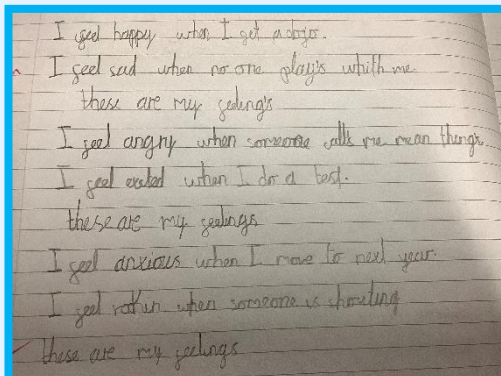
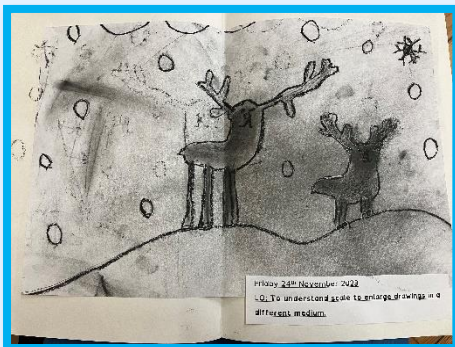
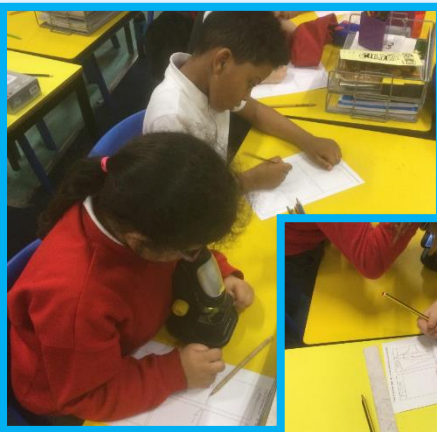


## Year 3

We have come to the end of our Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age learning this half term and celebrated with a visit to Beeston Castle. It was cold and windy, but we walked to the top of the fort and learnt lots of information about roundhouses from Simon and Bob!



We have also written some lovely poems as part of poetry week, used our observation skills in science, learnt about scale in art and worked hard in maths learning about multiplication and division!



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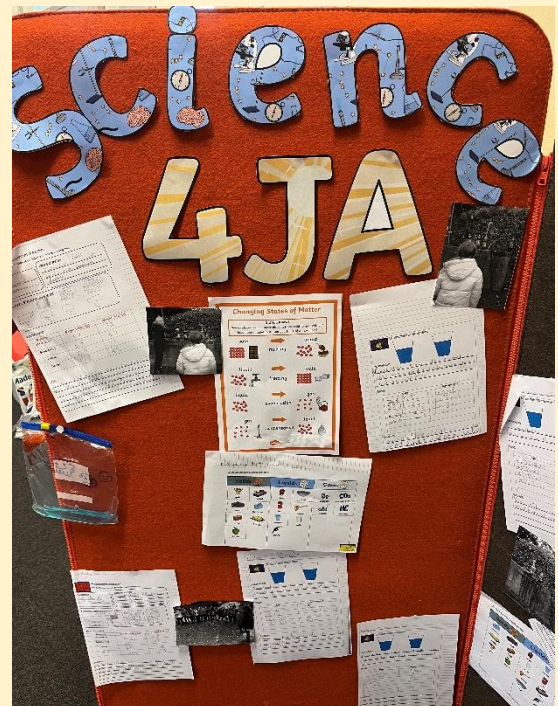


## Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about the Romans in history. We went to Chester to learn more and meet a Roman soldier!



4JA have been learning all about states of matter in science. They have loved the topic and all the experiments it has involved, and they performed an amazing class assembly about their learning to their grownups!



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## Reception

We have been getting ready for Christmas, decorating and learning about the Christmas story.

We have been investigating the cold wintery weather. We went on a winter walk to find the frost and the ice!



In design and technology we have been designing, preparing and tasting veg soup! We made a delicious soup, if we do so ourselves!



We have been writing Christmas cards to our friends. We have been drawing nice pictures and writing nice messages in them to surprise our friends and make them happy! We became elves in our Santa's workshop! We have been working away to make toys then work together to wrap them all up for under our tree.



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## Year 5

The children have been creating artwork based around their ideas of what the future might look like. They have looked at a variety of different drawing styles and techniques, and used a range of materials to create their finished art. I would say the Golden Values that have been on display are:

Responsibility - being responsible for their own pictures and choosing their own designs and materials. Courage - being brave enough to make mistakes during the artistic process. Positivity - being positive when learning something new and challenging (how to create a collagraph print).



The children in Year 5 have also shown POSITIVITY during art lessons this term. Their drawing skills have developed to include a variety of techniques around our unit 'I See Space'. We have looked at what the word 'Retrofuturism' means and used the artwork 'Moonwalk' by Teis Albers as inspiration to help design their artwork based on what they think the future will be like.



In both R.E. and geography, Year 5 has demonstrated RESPONSIBILITY for the environment in our topics about 'Green Religion' and 'Recycling'. They have discovered what each religion says and does about caring for our world. This has been developed in geography through learning about the issues caused by single-use plastic and how recycling can help to reduce our waste.