



Welcome to our Summer 1 Learning Newsletter!

Here is some of the BRILLIANT learning from this half term. We are extremely proud of all of our BRILLIANT learners...a huge well done! www.cavendish.manchester.sch.uk

## Year 3

Year 3 have been to Brockholes Nature Reserve in Preston where we learnt all about plants. The children took part in three workshops which included learning about germination, pollination and parts of plants.







In school, we have also conducted science experiments to learn about what plants need to survive. We learnt that plants need water and sunlight if they are to thrive.











They wrote about magical potions in their writing and have been learning to cross stitch in DT.

In music, they have been learning about different bones and muscles through song and dance. They have then combined both to create a performance.









### Year 1

In English, we wrote our own versions of Handa's Surprise. Check out these fantastic stories. In Maths, we have enjoyed working with our partners and groups to solve place value, addition and subtraction problems and word problems. We use Base Ten for the first time to represent two digit numbers. We also learnt about time and mass!

We started our final History topic for the year. Transport and Travel. We created a tally chart to see how we got to school. We learnt that the first form of transport was the canoe. We've looked at how transport and travel has changed over time. So far we have learnt the terms modern, present, past and engine.

In PSHE, we have been learning about relationships. We've talked about our families, friends and other people who are special to us.

During RE, we have learnt about what it means to belong. Where do we belong? How does belonging make you feel? How do people show belonging to a faith?

We've been taking our science learning outside to explore the question, 'What is alive?'. We planted cress and watched it grow, created tree spotters and went on a plant hunt.

We have been working collaboratively during PE and have shown our golden value of COURAGE when solving challenges. Here we are exploring team building and communication.









### **Nursery**

This half term the children have been working hard to prepare the flower beds and plant lots of plants and vegetables. We are enjoying caring for them and observing change closely. The children have produced some gorgeous artwork from their observations and have been really artistic when getting creative in the continuous provision. In phonics we have been learning new letters and beginning to blend and segment words! In maths, we have had fun with shapes and understanding more and less. We have been reading the book Little Turtle and the Sea, which has helped us to understand what instructions are and helped us to write our own on how to protect the sea. We have been treated by a visit from the police and we were really excited to welcome parents and carers in for stay and play this half term.











































### Year 6

You would think that this half term has been all about SATs preparation but you would be wrong! We have been working hard on structures in our D&T lessons, using saws and glue guns really well. We have also been on a trip to the Peak Wildlife Park to celebrate the end of SATs and to enhance our science learning of classification. Finally, a few of year 6 were lucky enough to go on a visit to The Air Raid Shelters to finish our learning about WW2.







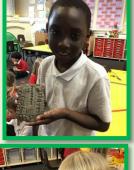
### Year 2

In English, we have been writing our own persuasive letters to Sunny the Meerkat to get him to visit our school. In maths, we have been learning about telling the time to the nearest five minutes, using our place value knowledge to compare and order numbers and have been learning about equivalent fractions by building a fraction wall. In art, we have been experimenting with clay in preparation for making our own clay houses. In PE we have been team building and have loved it.



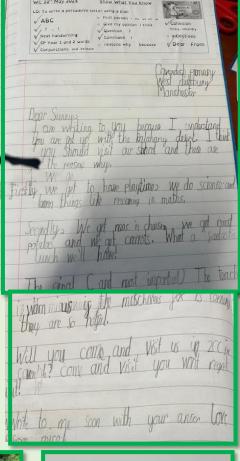




















### Year 4

In Year 4, we have been looking at sculpture. During our unit of work, we studied an international artist called Magdalene Odundo, who was born and educated in Kenya. She is renowned for her work with clay and glass. We also looked at the work of some other artists and used this as inspiration to sculpt soap, wire and other materials. Throughout, we showed great COURAGE and POSITIVITY. Please see some of the work that we have completed below.

























## Reception

In Reception, we had a stay and play where all of our grown-ups got to come and explore our classroom with us. We had a lot of fun showing them around and showing them all the interesting areas in our classrooms.

The police and police horses came to visit us! We loved this experience. We asked the police men lots of questions and then they let us explore the police car, which was very exciting! The police horses also came to visit and some of us stroked them.

This half term we have read Little Red Riding Hood and Red in the City. We enjoyed making our own puppets and acting out the story in the theatre to our friends.













## Year 5

In our new writing unit based on the book 'The Lost Happy Endings', year 5 have been showing plenty of courage and positivity to be the best authors they can be, plotting the demise of a cruel, old witch!

In DT, we have used motors in a circuit to create doodlers. In geography, we have been comparing Spain to the UK. To help with our map skills, we used a labelled PacMan to help identify six-figure grid references to locate places in Spain with















