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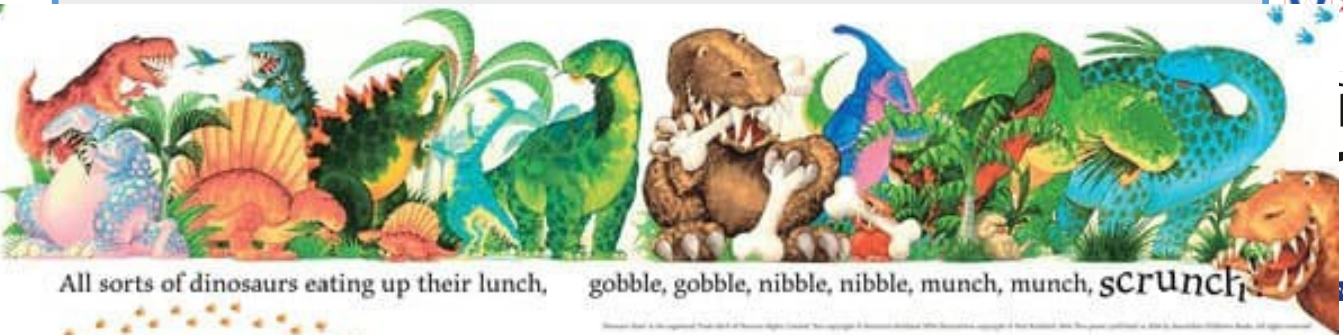
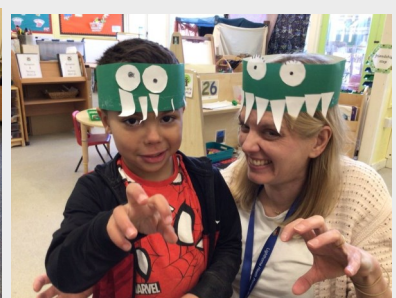
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Nursery and Reception

DANGEROUS DINOSAURS

As our Nursery and Reception children embark on their new topic, Dangerous Dinosaurs, they have spent time this week

observing pictures of different dinosaurs, making observations and sharing facts that they know. They have also read some dinosaurs stories and have spent time sounding and moving as they imagined that dinosaurs might have. The children are looking forward to learning more prehistoric facts and about the different animals that roamed Earth millions of years ago and how they are related to animals that live on Earth today.



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Years 1 and 2

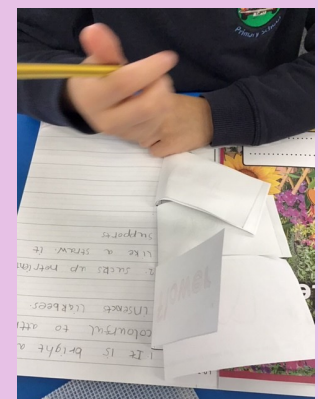
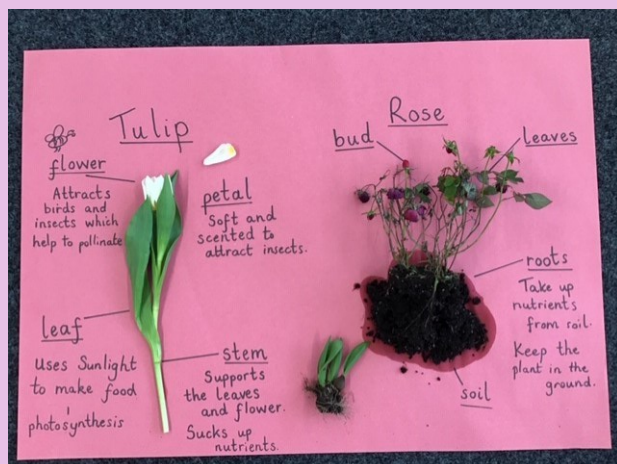
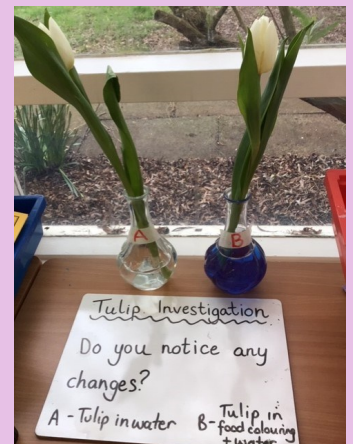
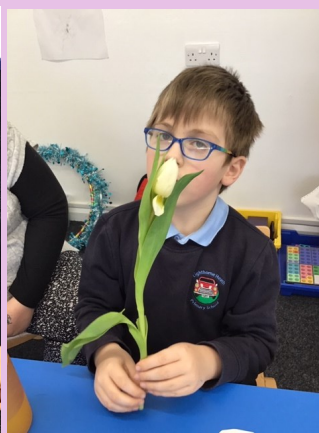


L.O: To identify and describe the functions of the different parts of a plant.

This week the children in Years 1 and 2 have been introduced to their new topic 'The Scented Garden.'

In our Science lesson the children used their observation skills to name the different parts of a rose plant and a cut tulip. They took them apart carefully to feel the soft petals and to expose the roots of the rose. They also compared the textures of the leaves from both plants, noting the differences between size and shape. Using scientific vocabulary, the children discussed the functions of the flower head, stem, leaves and roots, using words such as absorb, support, nutrients and photosynthesis. The children then created flower flap books to record their own learning.

We have set up an experiment to see how long it takes for water to be absorbed through the stem of a cut tulip. Food colouring was added to water in one of the vases to see if the tulip petals will absorb some of the colour, whilst the other vase was filled with plain water. The children will observe and record any changes over the next few days.



Year 3/4

INVASION



On Tuesday, years 3 and 4 took part in an incredible workshop all about the Anglo-Saxons. This experience gave the children an extraordinary insight into the lives of people living in England in the years after AD 410.

First, the children came face-to-face with a 'Saxon' in full costume and holding tools. The children were invited to ask questions which helped them learn more about how people lived. Then the children had a go at making Anglo-Saxon bracelets by threading beads and plating. Next, the children listened and participated in the storytelling of Beowulf. The story taught the children that even brave heroes make mistakes, so we should give people second chances. They then went outside and had a go at some archery, pulling back the bowstring and letting it go so they could see how far the arrow could travel. Finally, they practised some drills and were ready to go to battle with the Vikings.

The children learned that:

- The Anglo-Saxons split England into seven kingdoms.
- Many places in modern England have names of Anglo-Saxon heritage, such as Warwick and Sussex.
- Anglo-Saxon armour and weaponry included: a shield, helmet, mailcoat, spear and sword, if the warrior was wealthy enough (back then a sword would cost more than a horse).

Questions asked by the children:

How do you say mother in Saxon? Módor.

What animals did they keep? We kept pigs, sheep and cows.

How did you tell the time? By the sun.

How did they make the bowstring? With cat guts or girl's hair.





World Book Day

Thank you to our children and families for supporting our learning on World Book Day. Each class spent the day working on activities that link with a specially chosen book that links to their topics for this half term.



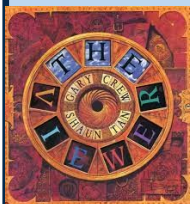
Miss Singh and some of the children led an assembly and special book themed quiz that the children all enjoyed taking part in.

Reception had fun making dinosaur themed headbands, moving and roaring like dinosaurs and learning and joining in with the rhyming story, Dinosaur Roar!



Years 1 and 2 explored images from The Secret Sky Garden to infer information about the story. They talked about the impact of litter in the environment based on a character in the story.

Years 3 and 4 were talking about the characters in their book, Arthur and the Golden Rope. The children designed their own unlikely hero taking inspiration from Arthur.



Years 5 and 6 enjoyed exploring the book The Viewer and paid careful attention to the dark and detailed illustrations in order to predict what might happen through the different parts of the story.

The children were also excited to receive some new books that were donated by Taylor Wimpey and relate to their upcoming topics.



Scream Machine

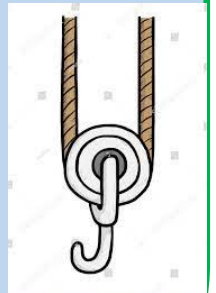
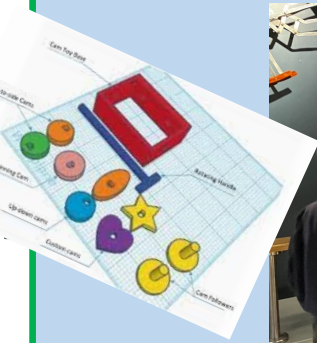


Year 5/6

Years 5 & 6 are completing the topic Scream Machine this half term. This encourages them to explore a theme park and to soak up the unique sights, smells and sounds of the fair. The children will learn about the science behind roller coasters and will explore theme park design. They will complete some mini investigations where they learn about cam mechanisms, pendulums, pulleys and prototypes.



As an introduction to the topic, the children went on a trip to The MAD museum in Stratford upon Avon on Wednesday. There were around 70 pieces of mechanical art on display, they were called Kinetic Art and Automata. These exhibits were hands-on and helped display the different principles of physics that the children will be learning about this term. We enjoyed looking at the different designs and getting ideas for when we make our own cam toy.



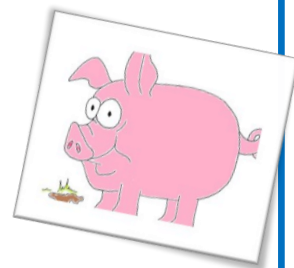
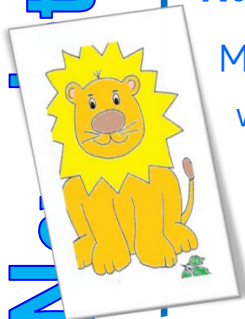
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Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery and Reception

Mrs Hartley and Mrs Manley have chosen Eily as their Hero this week. Eily always listens carefully to any instruction that she is given and works hard to do her best. Eily is always kind to her classmates and is an absolute pleasure to have around school.



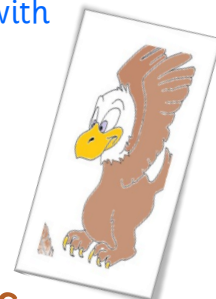
Co-operate

Year 1/2

Year 1 and 2's Hero this week is Blake for joining in enthusiastically with our Science lesson, sharing his knowledge about plants and how to care for them. Blake likes to grow flowers and plants at home and told us they need plenty of sunlight and water to grow strong and healthy. Well done, Blake!



Have a go



Persevere

Year 3/4

Miss Singh has chosen Sadiye as this week's hero for her drive and commitment to do well in her reading. As a result, Sadiye has made significant progress and has developed an enjoyment for reading, which is a great pleasure to see. Well done!



Concentrate



Keep on improving

Year 5/6

Mrs Cox's hero this week is Toby. He has worked hard in all lessons and impressed everyone with his attitude to learning. He has shown his curiosity with our new topic 'Scream Machine.' Keep up the excellent work Toby.



Use your imagination

Enjoy learn-

Notices from our school business manager:

Financial Year End

As we approach our financial year end, we politely ask that you visit your parent pay account to ensure all outstanding payments are up to date.



If you have an outstanding debt you are unable to repay prior to 10 March 2023 please contact beck.s@welearn365.com for a mutually agreeable payment plan.

School Meals

We have been notified that our school meal provider Educaterers are increasing the cost of a school meal to £2.42 per day (£12.10 per week) with effect from 1 April 2023.



Adult and Community Learning

Science Explorers Workshops



Two **FREE** sessions for parents
and children aged 3-11

Tuesday 7th March 3:15-4:45

Tuesday 21st March 3:15-4:45

Lighthorne Heath Primary School

Enjoy time together

Fun science activities

**If you are interested in attending either workshop,
please give your name to the school office.**

For more information, please contact:

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Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



RISE MHST

Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST)

Tips For Wellness:

8th March - International
Women's Day

RELAXATION

Relaxation is when our mind and body is free from stress and tension. When we are relaxed, endorphins (natural chemicals) are released, which can make us feel more positive and happy.

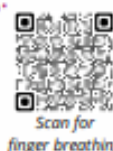
Research has found that when we are relaxed and we are able to think clearly, it also helps us to focus, concentrate, sleep better, feel more confident and even boost our immune system!

Our tips for relaxation:

- 1- Try some **breathing exercises**, such as finger breathing or bubble breathing.

Breathing exercises are great as you can do them in any place, at any time!

Follow the QR codes for video guides on these exercises.



Scan for
finger breathing!

- 2- Practice **mindfulness** by taking a break away from any screens and devices, pay attention to your surroundings and go on a walk outside to de-stress! Use your senses to help you relax too, e.g., squeeze a stress ball or smell calming smells, such as lavender.



Try bubble
breathing!

- 3- Listen to **music**! You could create a playlist with your favourite songs, or calming music, to listen to when you want to relax.

- 5- Create a **calming space** at home where you can take time to yourself, you may also want to add blankets and toys to make it more cosy!

#ThanksKids recognises the efforts and kindness of children and young people, and thanks them with personalised #NHSSStars certificates. If you know a child or young person that deserves recognition for going above and beyond, don't wait, nominate!

thankskids@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

Diary Dates

Spring Term	
Wednesday 8 th March	Mr. Rellis will be in school during lunchtime to lead girls football sessions as part of the Let girls play initiative. All welcome.
Wednesday 15 th March	Mental Health in Schools Team leading Creating Calm workshops with Years 3&4 and Years 5&6
Tuesday 21 st March	Holi celebration. Parents are invited at 2.30 pm
Friday 24 March	Mufti Day (non-uniform day), please bring 50p donation to school fund
Thursday 30 th March	Family Easter egg bingo after school
Friday 31 March	School breaks up for the Easter Holiday
Monday 3 April 2023 to Friday 14 April	Easter Holidays

Super Star Reading!

Our Reading superstar this week is John, Congratulations, John!

With best wishes from Mrs Westwood, Mrs Manley and all the staff at
Lighthorne Heath Primary School.

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THE KING'S CORONATION CELEBRATION LUNCH

Friday 5th May 2023



GREAT BRITISH FISH & CHIPS

or

(vg) **BREADED
VEGETABLE FINGERS**



Chips

Garden Peas

Baked Beans

ICED CELEBRATION CAKE

or

ICE CREAM