

Nursery and Reception

DANGEROUS DINOSAURS

Reception and Nursery started the week with an exciting discovery. They found a large egg in the garden. We have spent some time drawing what we think might be inside the egg. The children declared it was a mystery, but after some shared discussion they have agreed that it is a dinosaur egg. We have brought it into the classroom to keep it warm and watch out for signs of it cracking and starting to hatch.



Years 1 and 2

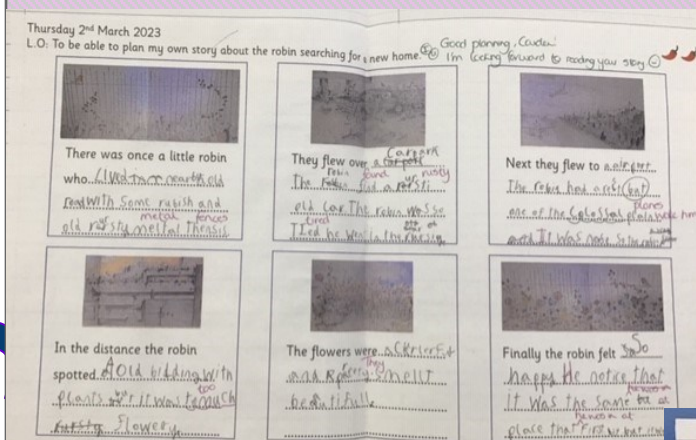
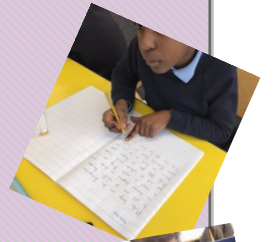


The Scented Garden

We have been preparing to publish our own pop up book in Year 1 and 2 this week.

After exploring the illustrations from The Secret Sky Garden we thought about the bird that we noticed on the end pages and what his home was like. The illustrations showed us it was full of rubbish so we wrote our own stories about his journey to find a better home, filled with flowers, where he could feel safe.

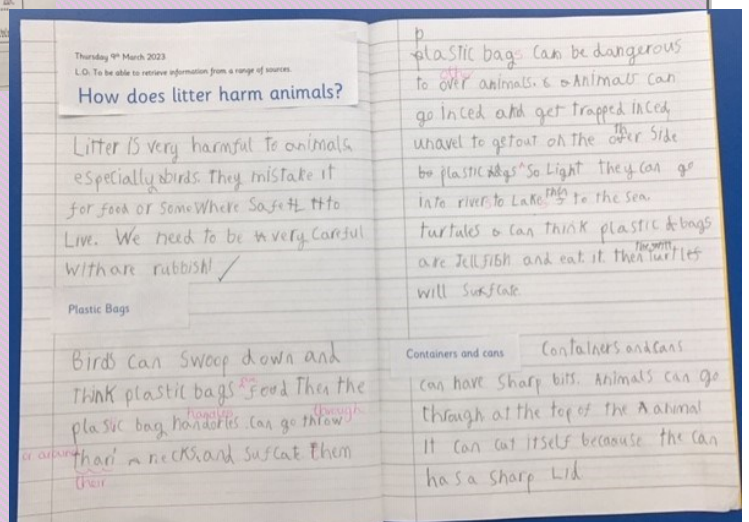
Whilst doing this, we have also looked at the impact of rubbish on our environment and the way it can harm animals. We explored information from a variety of sources and remembered so many wonderful facts! We have been able to start writing our own non-chronological reports about litter which will help us to add some useful facts into our book.



The children have all really enjoyed exploring different paper folds to include in their pop up books. We tested out springs with thick paper and



thin and compared bigger folds and smaller folds. We have also looked at flaps that we can include in our book and other pop-up folds. We can't wait to get publishing and show you our wonderful creation!



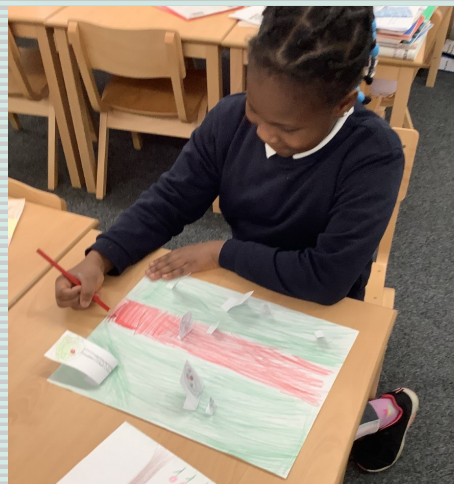
Year 3/4

INVASION

Years 3 and 4 have been taking part in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Royal Opera House, National School Programme. During the course, the children were taken on a magical journey down the rabbit hole, where they had an opportunity to practice creative designing. They did this by becoming young designers and were set a task to design a stage theatre set for the ballet of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, by the director of the Royal Ballet, Kevin O'Hare.

In the final lesson this week, the children were introduced to the concept of scale, as their designs moved from abstract ideas to more concrete ones. The class drew to a scale of 1:50. The children worked on paper with a pencil to draw figures, with the height of their thumb. Next, the children focused on other elements for their scene, such as a table, trees, gates and swans. At the end of the lesson, they took a moment to test all their models in the model box, so each designer got to present their work to their peers.

The children learned how to make figures/objects to scale and how to make a prototype model for their chosen scene from the ballet.





Holi Celebration Workshops- Tuesday 21st March (Nursery to Y6)

On Tuesday 21st March Kalpesh from KZ Dance will visit Lighthorne Heath Primary to help with our understanding of the Hindu Faith and Holi Festival. Each class will take part in a Bollywood Dance workshop. It promises to be very energetic and lots of fun!

The cost of this visit is £3.85 per child and this is available now to pay for on ParentPay.

During the visit there will be a grand finale of dance performances and Holi Festival Celebration for about 25-30 minutes outdoors. Parents (and Nursery children are welcome back) are invited at 2.30 pm and they can also join dancing and Holi celebration.

All of the Holi colours/dried powder paints provided are non-toxic & organic, very safe for children to use and will wash away easily. If you would like your child to take part in the Holi Celebration, please send in old clothes and shoes and a pair of sunglasses or goggles to protect their eyes. White T-shirts are suggested as the colours will be more vibrant. Parents are also reminded of these requirements if they would like to take part too.

We only need you to inform us if your child should NOT have permission to join in the whole school community grand finale at 2.30pm for the Holi Celebration with the paints.



Flamenco



Last Friday the whole of KS2 visited Sydenham Primary school where they were lucky enough to watch an amazing Flamenco performance. This was a wonderful addition to the **modern foreign language** learning as it helped to give some insight into Spanish culture.

Flamenco is a Spanish art form typical of Andalucía, the southern region of Spain, made up of 3 elements: song (*cante*), dance (*baile*) and music (*toque*).

Originally, it was the traditional dance and music of the Andalusian *gitanos* (gypsies). Even though flamenco is still deeply connected to the gypsy culture, many *payos* (non-gypsies) have contributed to expand it both in Spain and overseas.

The children enjoyed joining in by clapping the rhythms, calling **¡Ole!** when they were enjoying it and at the end, they even got to have a go at some dance moves.



I was nervous but excited to have a go at percussion!





Eco-Schools

Years 5&6

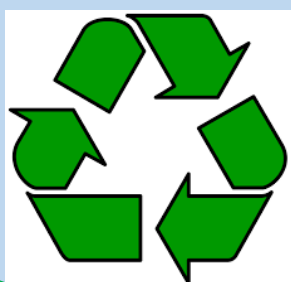
Looking after our World

LO: To understand the reasons we recycle

Year 5/6 have been designing posters to raise awareness of the importance of recycling. This forms part of their learning on environmental awareness and their posters were entered into a competition with Warwick District Council, where if they are a winner their design will be displayed on the side of their dustbin lorries.



We discussed the 3Rs—Reduce, Reuse and Recycle and made a list of the different ways we could help to make a difference in order to save rubbish from going to landfill. We looked at how different items are recycled and discovered that it uses less energy than making something new.





OWN BOOKS

We are keen to make sure that all of our families are aware of our OWN BOOKS bookshelf in the school reception area.

This scheme aims to encourage everyone to develop a love of books and reading and makes books available to everyone.

The books on the shelf are free to take home. You are welcome to keep the book, or, if you wish, return it to the shelf for someone else to enjoy.

Please use the shelf, you are welcome to browse the books on offer, however, we politely request that if the reception area is particularly busy you return when it is a little quieter.

There are books for teenagers and adults too, we want to get everyone reading. It is your responsibility as parent/ carer to make sure that your child is supervised when using the shelf and that any book chosen is age appropriate.

If you would like to donate any books to the scheme, please speak to Mrs Manley or Mrs Hendrickson (we are happy to take donations of appropriate books that are in good condition, however, we do not have the space to store a large number of books). We are in most need of books for adults and older readers at this time.

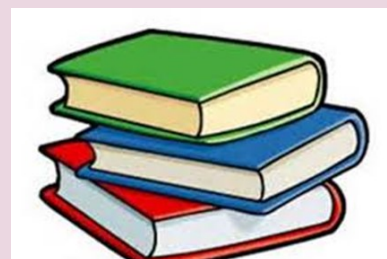


OWN BOOKS



Some benefits of reading:

- 1) Children who read have more words in their vocabularies
- 2) Children who read have vivid imaginations
- 3) Children who read are good at seeing pictures in their heads
- 4) Children who read are good at solving problems in their heads
- 5) Children who read are good at writing
- 6) Children who read are good at communicating in words
- 7) Children who read are inquisitive and lively
- 8) Children who read are good at concentrating
- 9) Children who read are good at reading
- 10) Children who read know quite a lot about many things
- 11) Children who read are generally very smart
- 12) Children who read have lots of words to use to express their ideas feelings and thoughts
- 13) Children who read love to read and share the good books with each other



Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

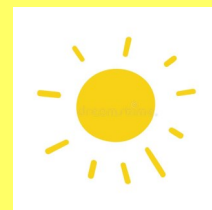


THREE GOOD THINGS
THAT HAPPENED TODAY

Three Good Things Exercise Research suggests that thinking of, and listing, three good things each day can contribute to increased happiness in the short and longer term.

Positive Thinking:

Good news! Did you know that science suggests that positive thinking is a learnable skill?



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Even better, this exercise is simple to do.

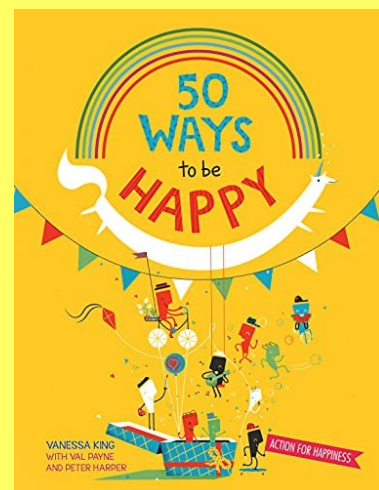
Just spend a few minutes each evening reflecting on the day until you think of three good things. Spread the positive vibes, and think about sharing your three things with those that you love!

Book Recommendation:

50 Ways To Feel Happy What can you do to help yourself (and others) feel happier?

This book is packed full of activities and ideas to try with family, friends and on your own. So, whether you feel happy right now and want to stay that way or you need some ideas to help you feel happier, this book is for you.

It's a cheerful, fun, inspiring, and varied collection of projects for creative, happy and thinking individuals, containing a mixture of step-by-step projects and shorter activity ideas that encompass happiness-inspiring crafts, mindfulness, relaxation, and positivity techniques, and fun ways to get active and boost happiness outdoors.



50 Ways to Feel Happy: Fun activities and ideas to build your happiness. by Vanessa King and Val Payne

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

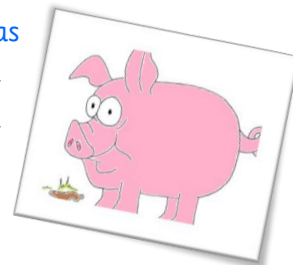
We have been notified that our school meal provider Educaterers are increasing the cost of a school meal to £2.42 per day (£12.10 per week) with effect from 1 April 2023.



Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery and Reception

Krishla is Mrs Manley and Mrs Hartley's class hero this week because she has already shown fantastic characteristics of learning. Krishla is amazingly curious about our new dinosaur topic and has been so cooperative that everyone has been keen to make friends with her. She has created a brilliant drawing to show what she thinks is inside our mystery egg.



Co-operate

Year 1/2

Our learning hero for this week is Jessica. She has shown exceptional effort and determination this week and this has really shown in her work. She has shown that she can be a wonderful mathematician, a fabulous writer and a great bookmaker. Well done Jessica, keep up your hard work!



Have a go



Year 3/4

Miss Singh has chosen Mateusz as this week's hero for showing creative curiosity. Mateusz has taken great interest in our new topic 'Invasion' and spent time at home making an Anglo-Saxon shoulder clasp using a 3D pen. The class and Miss Singh were impressed with his eye for detail and creativity. Excellent work Mateusz!



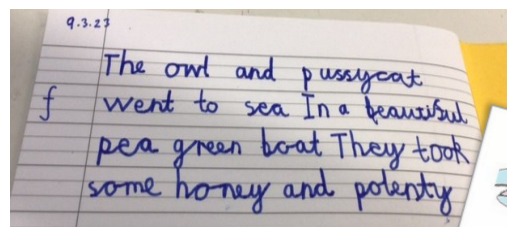
Persevere

Concentrate



Year 5/6

Mrs Cox's hero this week is Lola. Mrs Thorneywork and Mrs Cox are so proud of how hard she has been working and in particular with her handwriting. She has completed some beautiful handwriting this week and shown a dramatic improvement. Well done Lola!



Keep on improving

Use your imagination

Enjoy learn-

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Calling All

Aspiring Actors in KS2

Do you enjoy performing?

Would you like to perform to an invited audience at Sydenham Primary School?

Are you available to perform after school on Thursday 8th June?

If you answered yes to these questions, then Mrs Cox needs you!



Please register your interest with Mrs Cox.

We will begin planning and rehearsals the week beginning 20th March

Our performance will be based on a section of Macbeth by William Shakespeare

FUNDRAISING IN AID OF



FRIDAY 17 MARCH

Fundraiser name and contact details:

Lighthorne Heath Primary School, Stratford Road, Lighthorne Heath, CV33 9TW

020 7820 2000

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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:

janlennon@warwickshire.gov.uk



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KINETON SPORTS & SOCIAL CRICKET CLUB

JUNIOR INDOOR TRAINING

Thursday nights during March
at Kineton High School

Under 11 and 12's: 8pm - 8.45pm

Under 13, 14 and 15's: 8.45pm - 9.30pm

£3 per session

Contact: kinetoncricket@gmail.com



ANIMATION CAMP



Tue 11 April, 9.30am – Fri 14 April, 4.00pm

Are you a budding film-maker, animator graphic designer or just really excited to have a go at a new skill and find out more? Then this 4 day animation camp at **Compton Verney** is just for you and could be **FREE** if **your child is entitled to Free School Meals!**

The days will include learning all about the principles of animation, stop motion and create thaumatropes and kineographs. You'll learn all the stages of making an animation film, using stop-motion and hand-drawn techniques to create a story writing/ storyboarding, character + set design, stop motion + hand-drawn animation, sound recording, editing + screening. Once you have edited your film with sound and music, there will be a screening to parents and carers at the end of the week.

We aim to be fully inclusive, if your child requires any additional support, please get in touch with our Learning Team. This helps us to plan the day in advance and ensure each child gets the most out of their visit. Please contact learning@comptonverney.org.uk or 01926 645 552

Once you've book on, parents/carers will be sent additional information about the day and permission forms, these will need to be completed in advance of the day.

Suitable for children aged 8-12 years

£160 per child – please note, this is a 4 day course

If you are eligible and have received your HAF code, and would like to book a place. Please contact us



via info@comptonverney.org.uk or on 01926 645 500. Please have your HAF code ready to quote.

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Diary Dates

Spring Term	
Wednesday 15 th March	Mental Health in Schools Team leading Creating Calm workshops with Years 3&4 and Years 5&6
Friday 17 th March	Comic Relief (red nose day). Please wear something red to school and prepare your favourite joke to tell your class. Miss Harrington will make special red nose day biscuits for lunch. Yum Yum! Recommended donation 50p per child
Tuesday 21. 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 Mufti Day
Monday 3 April 2023 to Friday 14 April 2023	Easter Holidays



Super Star Reading!

Our Reading superstar this week is Pharell. Congratulations.
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



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VEGETABLE FINGERS**



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Garden Peas

Baked Beans

ICED CELEBRATION CAKE

or

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