

OASIS

15th January 2021

be kind

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stay positive



January's Habit

Patient: 'To be patient and persevering'

Patience is the ability not just to tolerate delay or something not happening as quickly as we might have hoped for. It is also about the way we wait and the attitude we adopt as we do so, delaying immediate gratification and being prepared to keep going for the long haul; not giving up when things don't work out but finding ways to develop work that is sustainable and grow relationships steadily. As we grow patience we gain a long-term perspective.

Showcase Virtual Music School

Please see the following link for some lovely musical videos to watch as well as the opportunity to join the showcase virtual youth orchestra: <https://showcasemusicschool.com/virtualorchestra>

You are doing a fantastic job and thank you so much for your support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Jenny

Principal

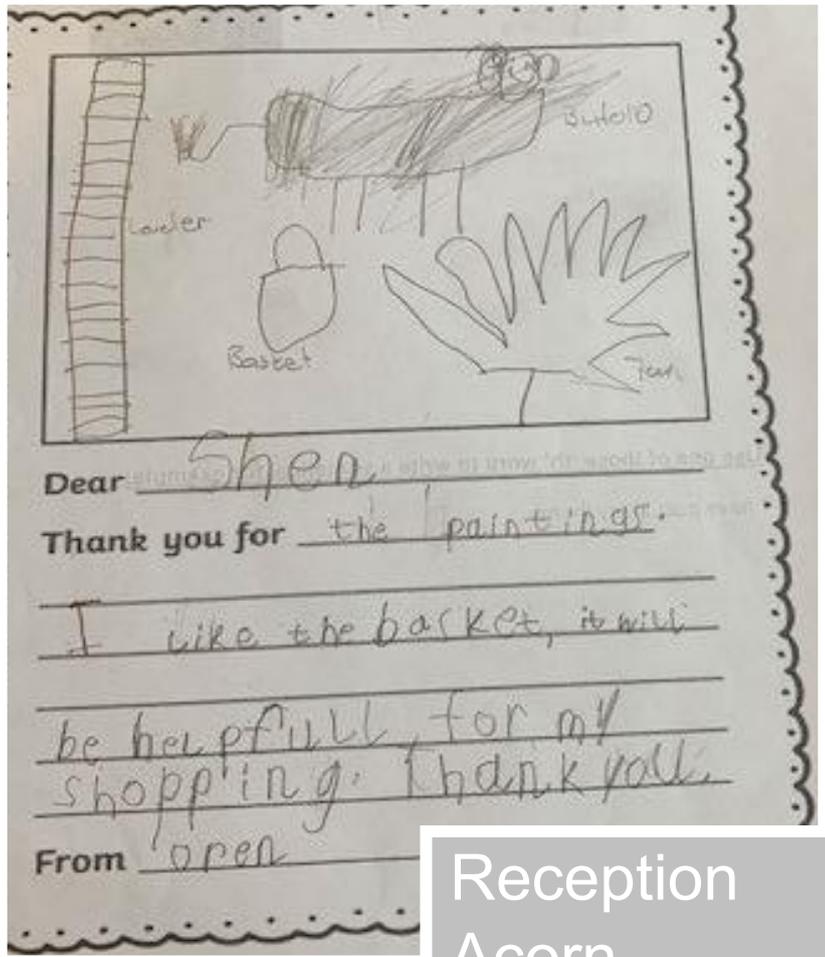


These are unusual times—something we have never experienced before; however, the resilience of our children and parents is simply commendable! Times like this will bring out the best in us as we remain passionate about including everyone, in particular those who need our support more than ever before in such a challenging time.

This term we started a new book called 'The Magic Paintbrush' and Acorn children were fully immersed in the text as they wrote a thank you letter to Shen; discussed the features of a dragon and drew a story map. They drew a monster and Ziggy described his as a 'scary one', whereas, Samuel said 'my monster is friendly'.

In Maths we practised adding and subtracting and children used different objects representing numbers within 20. To help them develop deeper understanding of mathematical concepts, we read out the word problems and children identified them as a plus word problem or minus.

I am aware that not every Acorn child is onsite but children's participation in online sessions is motivating me to improve my IT skills and teaching. In Oasis Academy Putney we believe in learning, growing and achieving together and our blissful Benaiah demonstrated those values by showing Ms Khawaja how to access 'Together mode' on Teams. He said 'Ms Khawaja click on three dots, go down and click together mode so you can see all of us'. What a wonderful team we are!



Reception
Acorn



It is amazing to see how each year Acorn parents go above and beyond to support children's learning and are appreciative of the provision school has put in place throughout this pandemic and otherwise. I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unconditional love and support.

I appreciate your presence and commitment every time you mute or unmute a microphone; when you assist your child with independent tasks, when I am reminded to record each session, as one of you takes over and let others in to avoid disruption in my teaching and last but not the least when you return to attend story time sessions. Someone has rightly said for us, 'Together may we give our children the roots to grow and the wings to fly'.

Stay safe and let me know if I can be of anymore assistance.

God bless you all.

Ms Khawaja





Reception Conker

It is so good to be back with the Conker Class online! I have missed them all so much and can't believe how grown up they have become over the Christmas holiday!

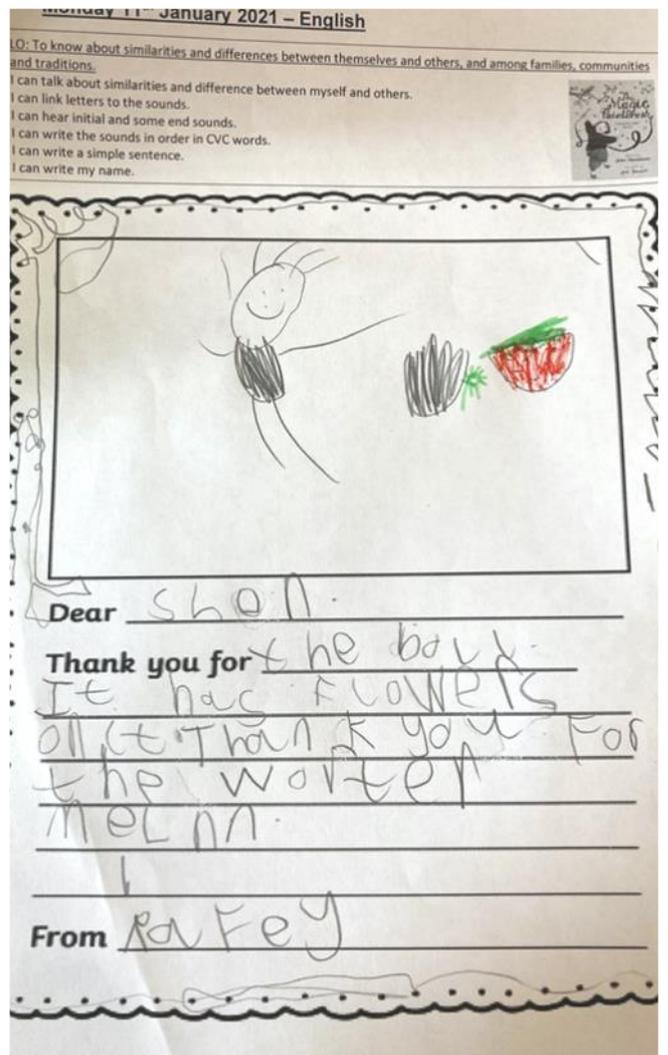
We are getting into the groove of online learning and I must say I am very impressed with how the Reception children are handling school online. They know when to mute and unmute themselves, they are super organised with all their colour pens and pencils. They are a lot more tech savvy compared to me! Well done Reception! You rock at this! The parents have also been super teachers at home! The amount of effort they are putting into their child's learning is incredible and very inspiring! Us teachers are beyond grateful for your involvement and support!

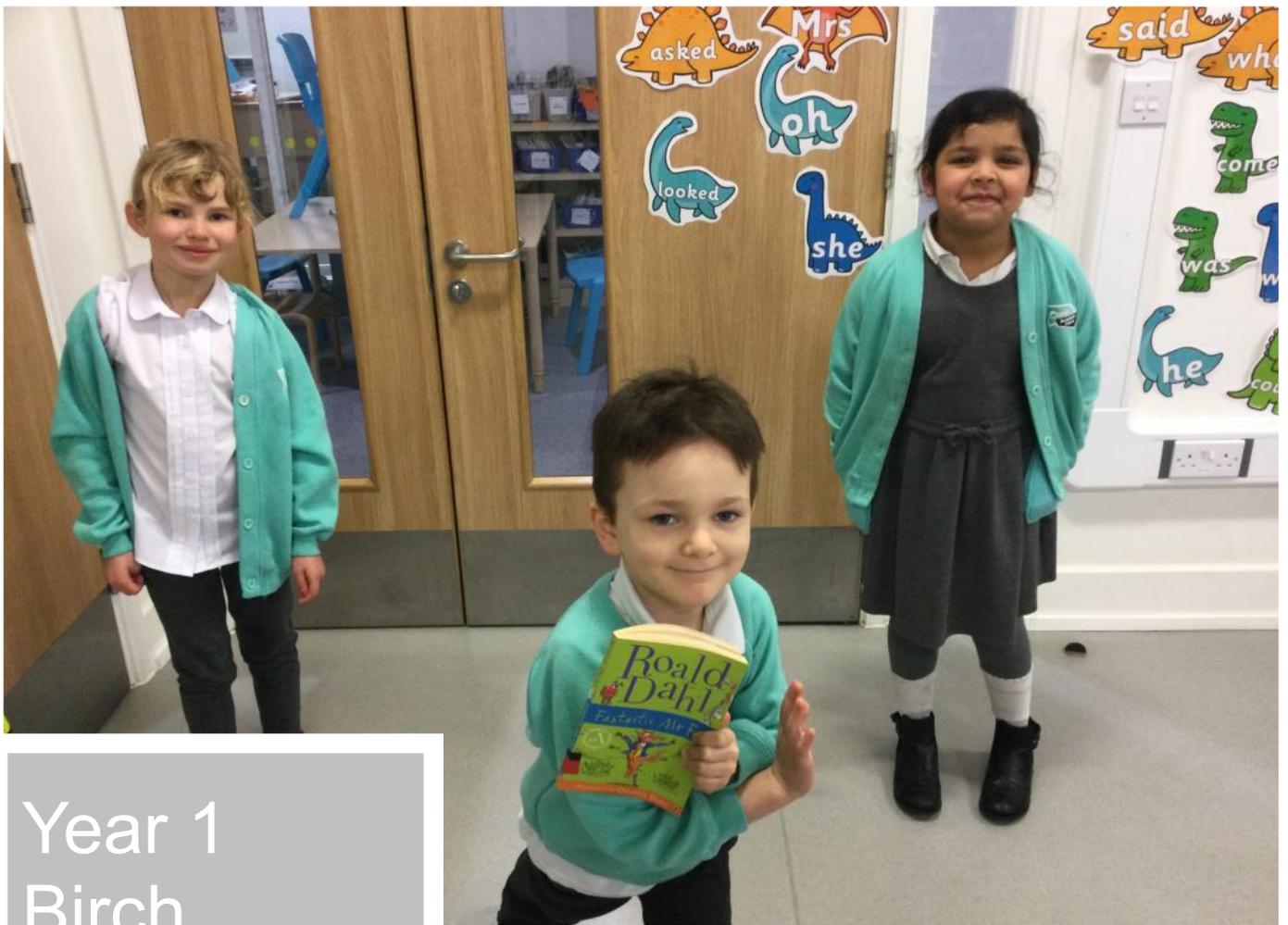
This week we have been reading the story called The Magic Paintbrush by Julia Donaldson. We learnt that the colour red means good luck and we have been reminded to be thankful for the things we have and not to be greedy like the Emperor.

In Maths we are starting to practise our counting up to 15! When learning online we need to get very creative with counters! We have used spoons, toy cars, pens, dolls, Lego, our fingers and so many more interesting objects found at home.

It looks like there has also been lots of fun and learning at school! They have been building all kinds of things and getting creative in their painting.

Mrs Craythorne



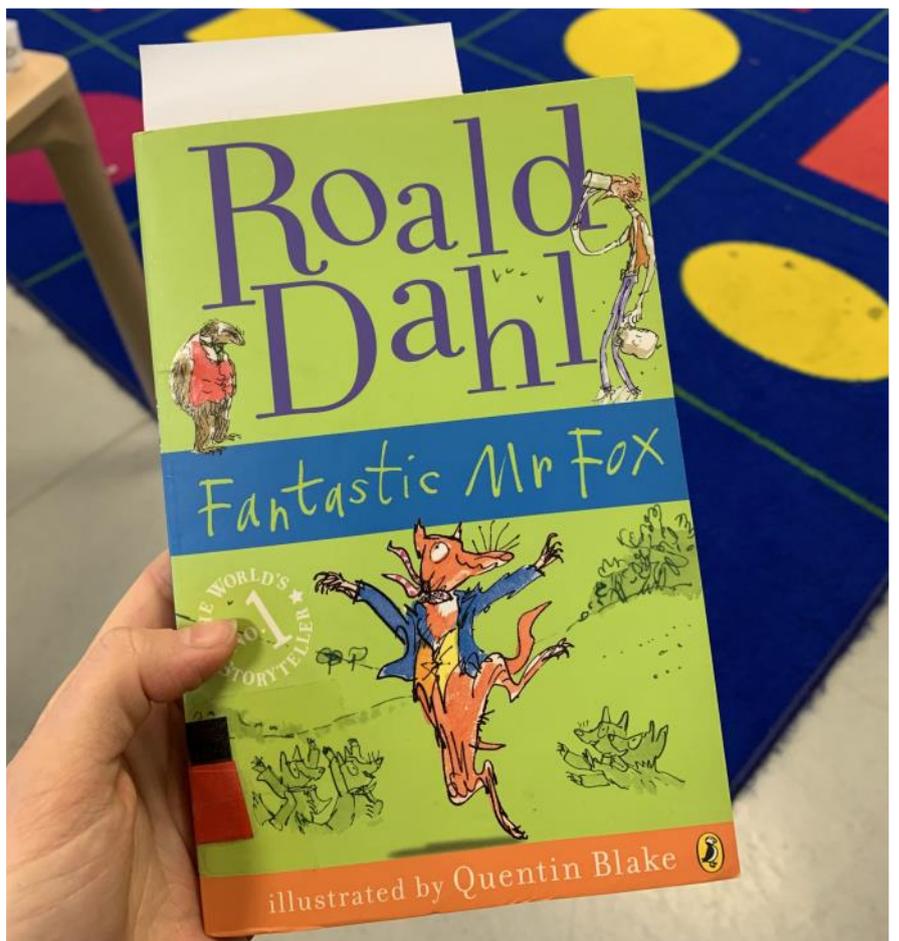


Year 1 Birch

In Birch Class, we've been enjoying one of Roald Dahl's classics, the 'Fantastic Mr Fox'. It has been wonderful to hear all of our different opinions and thoughts about the book and its interesting characters from both the pupils at home and in the classroom. We've even been able to see some other copies from children who are at home!

As we read along, we are very excited to learn about what happens next in Mr Fox's adventure - and who knows? Will the farmers get their way and catch Mr Fox and his family? Only time will tell...

Mr Lepine & Miss Coombes

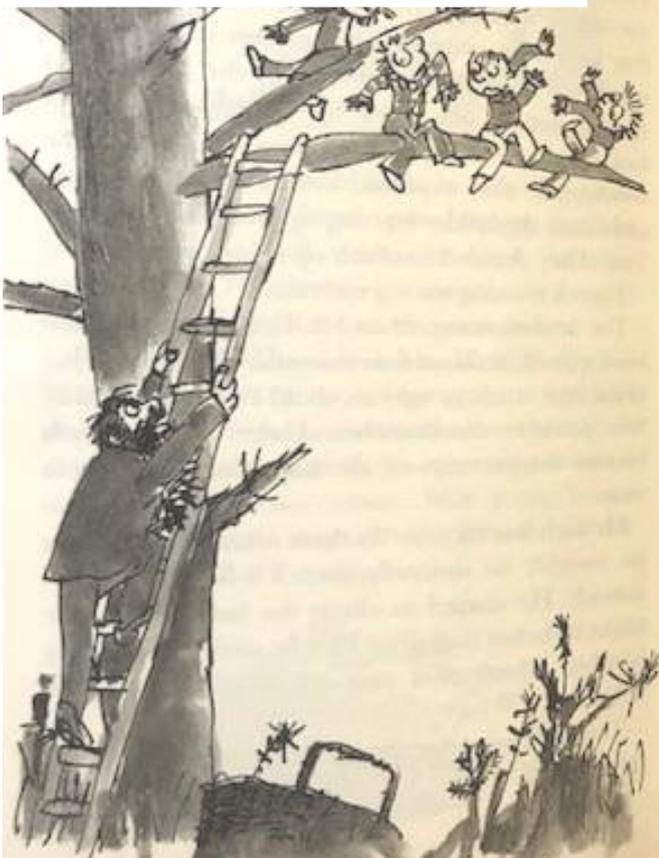
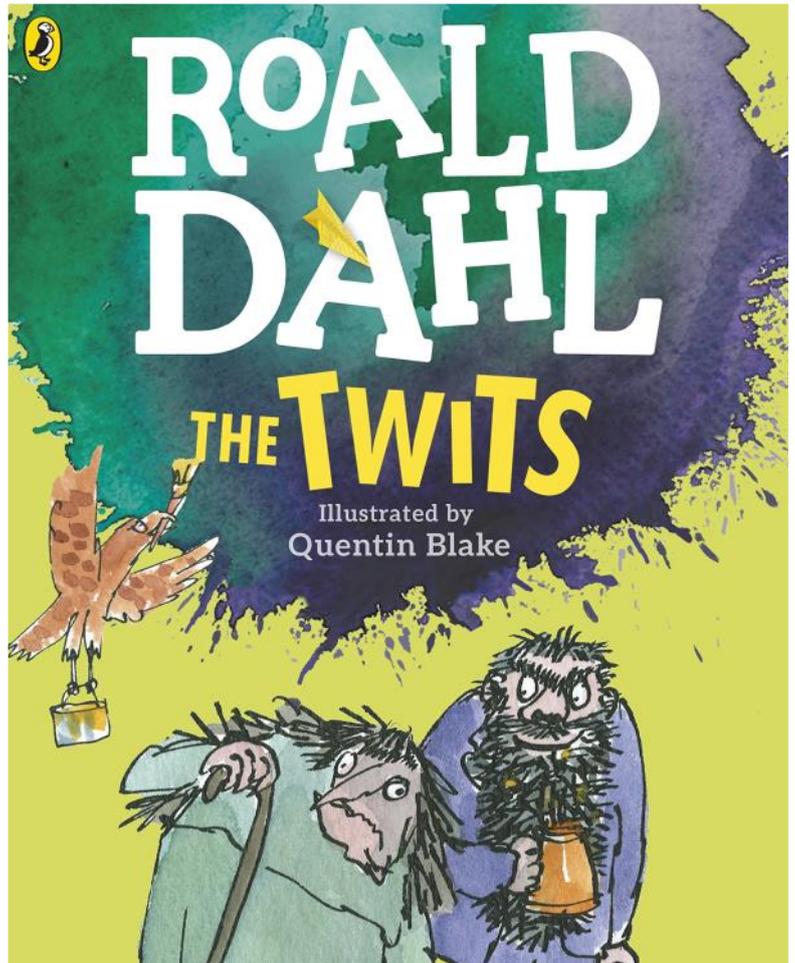


In Cherry Class we have been reading *The Twits* this week. The children have been taking note from the Twits' on how NOT to treat people. Although we must admit, the pranks that the Twits carry out are quite infectious and can cause side effects such as giggling and extremely loud laughing.

We have been predicting what will happen in each chapter by looking at the title and thinking what it could possibly mean. Hopefully, the next chapter will involve some kindness or else we may have teach the Twit family some manners!

Miss Ciubrinskaite

Year 1 Cherry



'He'll stew us alive!' wailed the second one,
'He'll cook us with carrots!' cried the third.

But the fourth little boy, who had more sense than the others, whispered, 'Listen, I've just had an idea. We are only stuck by *the seats of our pants*. So quick! Unbutton your pants and slip out of them and fall to the ground.'

Mr Twit had reached the top of the ladder and was just about to make a grab for the nearest boy when they all suddenly tumbled out of the tree and ran for home with their naked bottoms winking at the sun.





Year 2 Maple

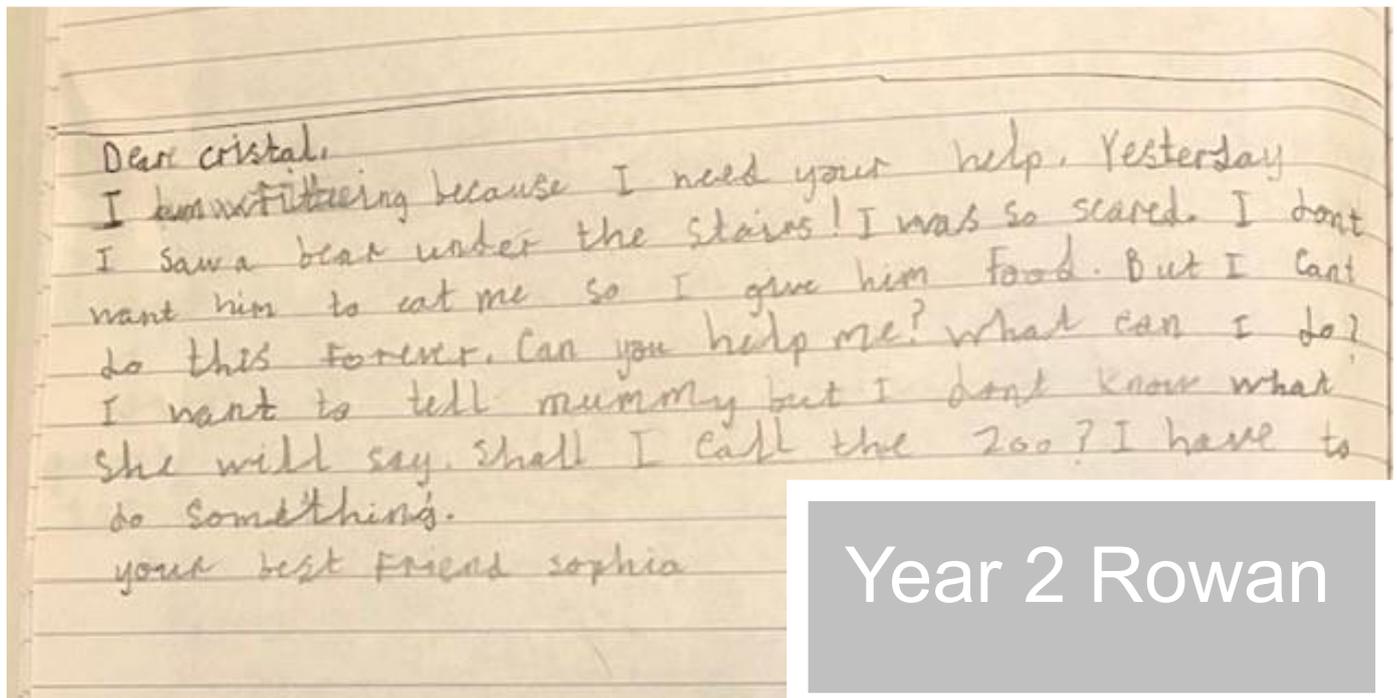
Maple Class have had a fantastic start to home learning and we have all settled in really well. We had a lovely R.E lesson where we discussed the meaning of 'belonging' and what groups and societies we belonged to. We have also been working really hard in maths solving multiplication and division problems and now we have moved onto our new topic, Time!

I am so impressed with how responsible Maple Class have been and they have all been showing our habit of the month 'patience' in every single lesson.

Keep up the hard work Maple Class!

Miss Knight



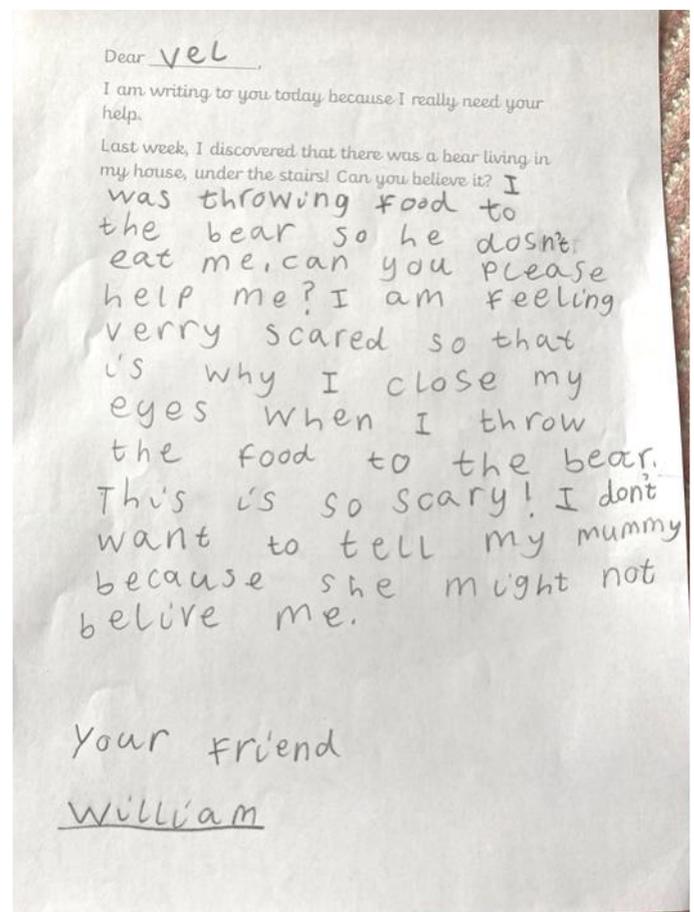
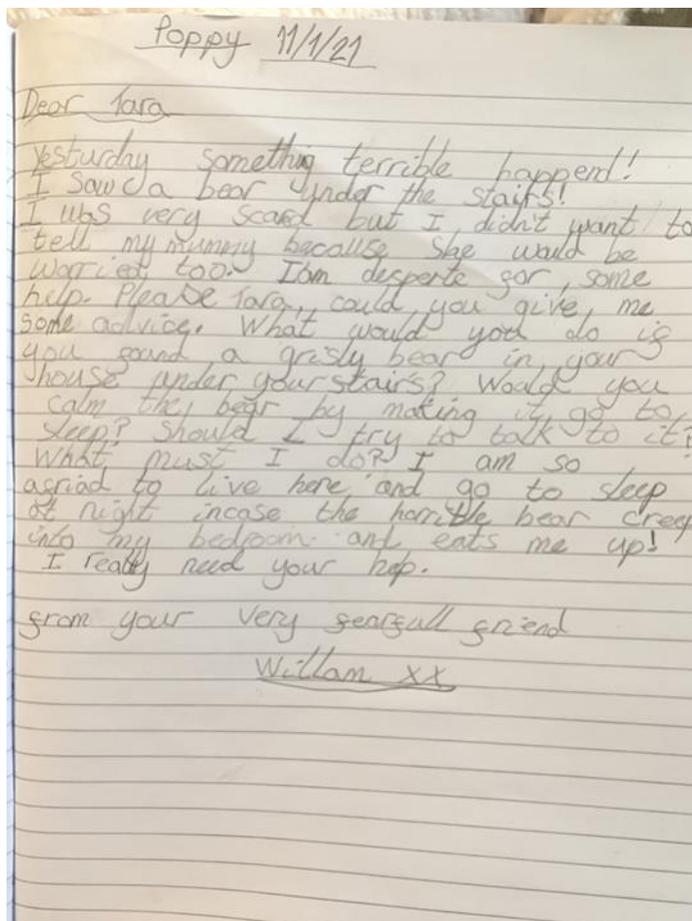


Year 2 Rowan

In Rowan Class we have been reading our exciting new English text: 'The Bear Under the Stairs'

As part of our learning this week we wrote letters imagining we were the main character William, who seeks advice from friends on what to do about the bear. Here are some of our fabulous letters!

Miss Wright

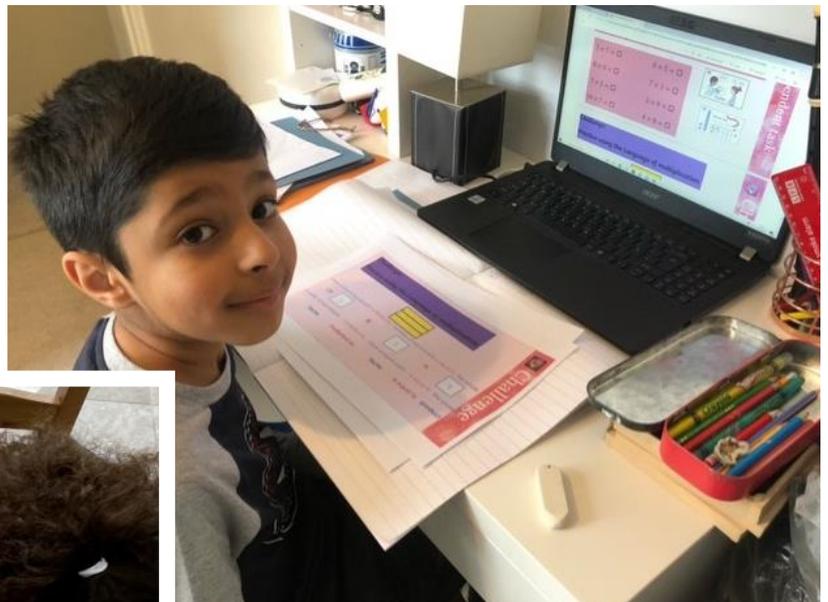


I would like to begin by saying a huge well done to all of Willow class for adapting to home learning so well this week. I am really impressed with the way you have conducted yourselves in a mature and sensible manner - you should all be incredibly proud of yourselves. It has been challenging at times, but we have made it to the end of week two! Well done.

We finished our English book, 'Cloud Tea Monkey's', this week which we have all really enjoyed. We have been learning about fair trade and we have produced some questions we would like answered before writing our final report about the tea industry. Here are Alanna's fantastic and inquisitive questions:

1. When was tea invented?
2. Who was the first person to taste tea?
3. What age do you have to be to pick tea?
4. How do you plant different types of tea?
5. Where does tea grow?

Year 3
Willow



I have also loved seeing how the members of Willow class have set up their home classrooms! Here are a couple of photos of some of Willow's new home classroom:

Miss Kohler



Year 3 Sycamore

I'd just like to start by saying how proud I am of Sycamore Class for the way they have adapted to the changes the new term has brought. The children at home have been working really hard to master the art of Microsoft Teams and are fast becoming experts. The children in school have also been working really hard with a different way of working. Thank you also to the parents who have been so supportive whilst we navigate our way through the changes. Everyone has been practicing January's habit of patience really well.

We have been learning about multiplication and division in Year 3 and it's been wonderful to see the inventive ways the children are using resources at home to help them to prove their known facts. In English we are continuing with the story Cloud Tea Monkeys, looking at the present perfect tense and writing letters and reports. I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing how Sycamore have been entertaining themselves during Lockdown 3.

Stay safe and well. Mrs Addis



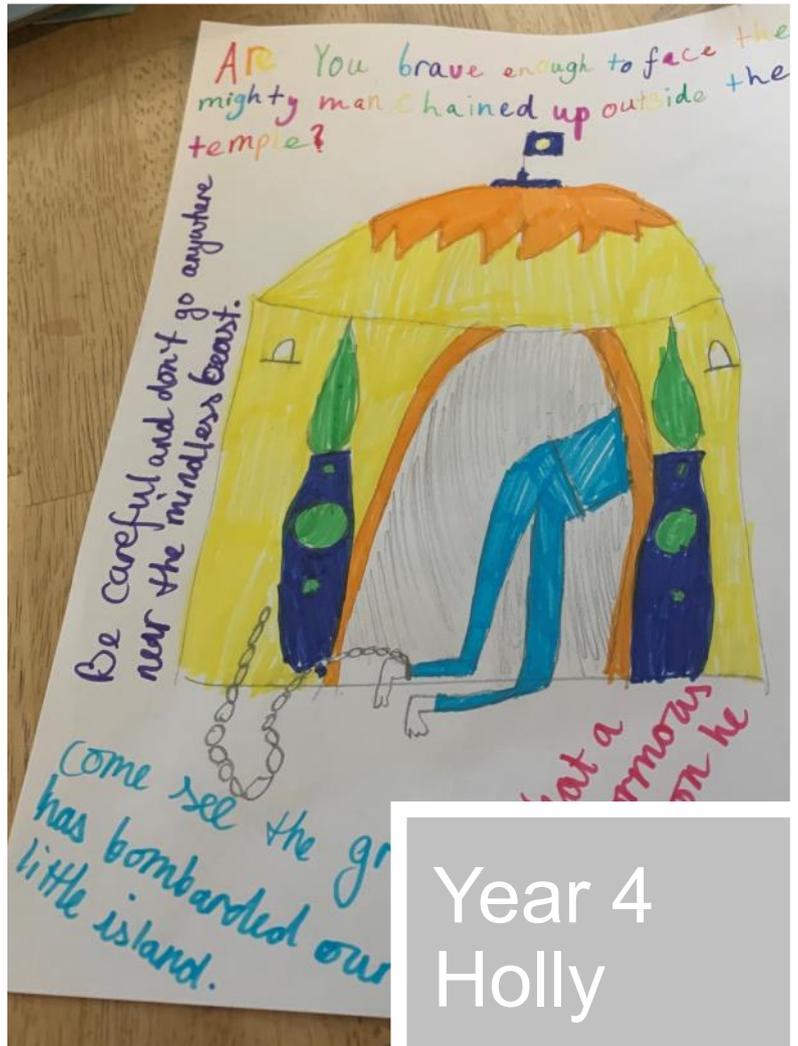
Happy New Year to you all!

Although this is not the way we would have like to start the year, the children in Year 4 have done exceptionally well! We have been able to pick up the learning from where we left off in December and have started new topics in all areas of the curriculum. In English, we have been reading a new book called Gulliver and the children have been producing some fantastic pieces of writing that link to this interesting story. Last week, they created some eye-catching posters that advertise the arrival of Gulliver to the island of Lilliput and this week they have been writing letters and diary entries.

In Maths, the children continued to build on their multiplication knowledge, particularly focussing on patterns and strategies that can be used to help solve equations and problems. We are now moving on to Time!

As well as engaging with the online English, Maths and reading lessons, the children have been completing independent topic tasks.

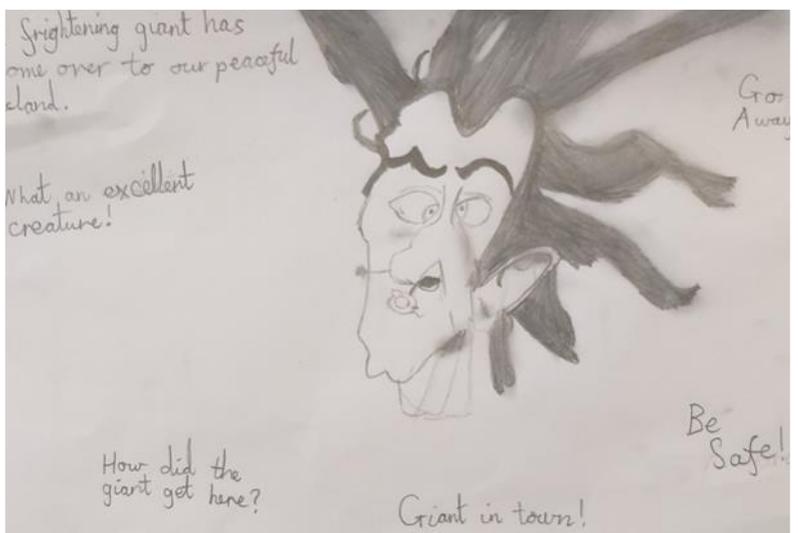
They especially enjoyed sketching items they found at home or in the classroom as a way to practice patience.

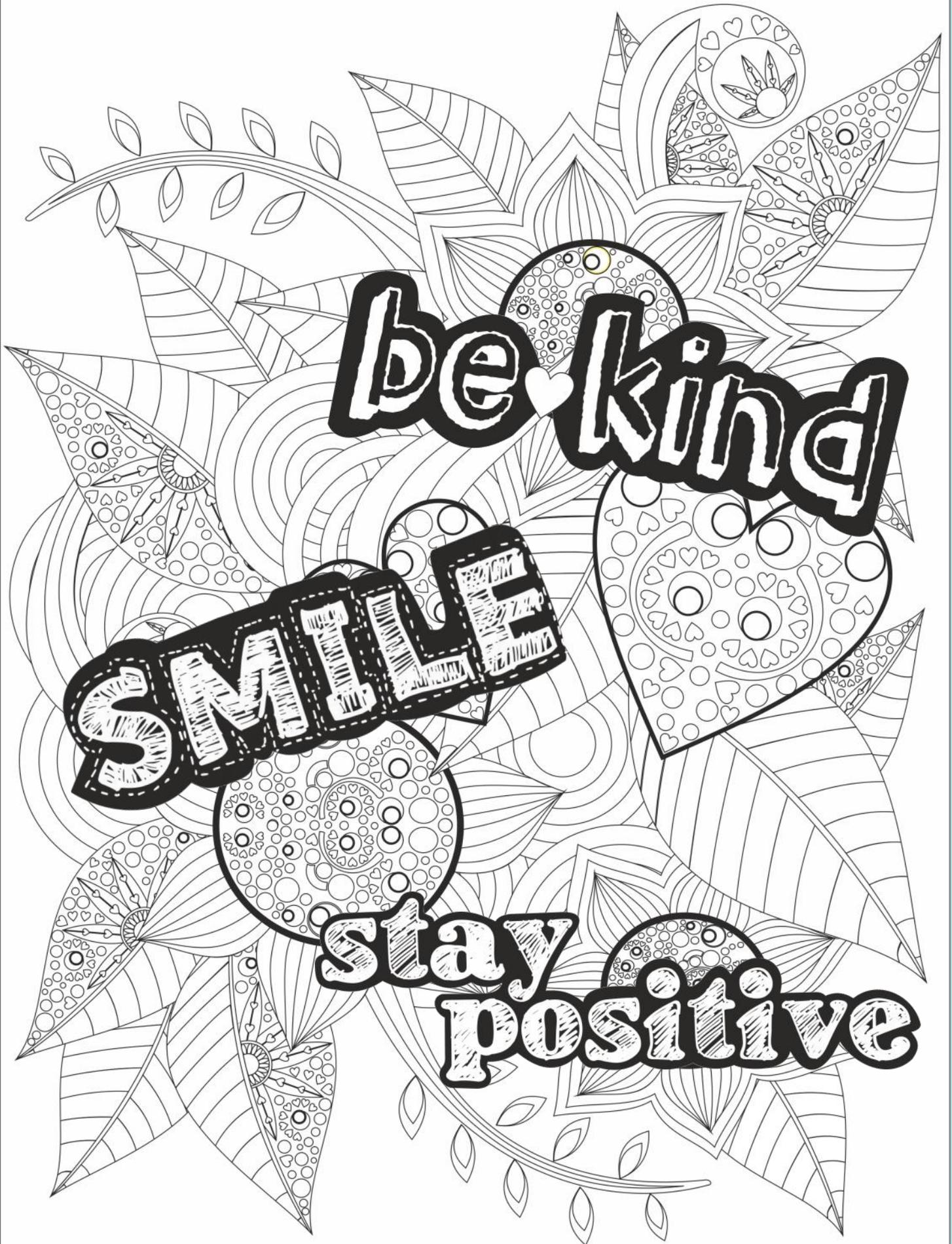


I hope you are all well!

Best wishes,

Miss Pickering







Book Club

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am really looking forward to welcoming you to our first Book Club meeting scheduled for Tuesday 19th January 2021 at 8pm.

The book, 'The Salt Path' by Raynor Winn can be purchased on Amazon Prime so there is still time to get reading and join us on Tuesday.

If you have not been able to read the first six chapters, then that is fine; equally, if you haven't been able to put the book down, and have read more, that is fine too!

Please don't worry if you can't make the 8pm start, just join when you can.

The more the merrier!

I will send out a Teams invite on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Hughes

HEALTHY EATING & WELL-BEING - APPLE & CINNAMON BREAKFAST BITES

It's time we looked outside the 'cereal' box and get some really great nutrition in our children before another busy day begins. For breakfast we love our smoothies, omelettes, porridge and homemade pancakes. But these can all be a little time consuming.

If you want fast, zero mess and big smiles for breakfast from the kids, these 'bites' should be a staple on your breakfast table. They're also great for baby led weaning (BLW) and young toddlers insisting they self feed!

These bites are packed with oats, fruit, healthy fats and protein and unlike most cereals, there isn't a major sugar rush (and crash) as its all refined sugar free. Traditional rolled oats contain more soluble fibre than any other grain and release energy slowly. They contain multiple nutrients and interestingly they soothe nerves (oats have traditionally been used as a remedy for treating anxiety and insomnia). So a good one for first day back at school jitters.

Did you know oat milk contains naturally more calcium than cow's milk? Great news for our dairy intolerant bubs and children!

While I call these breakfast bites, they make awesome snacks and fillers in lunch boxes. They aren't very sweet, so if needed you can adjust the sweetness by adding or reducing the natural sweetener (such as maple syrup or honey) mentioned in the ingredients list below. Enjoy!

Sharon Selby



Ingredients

- 2 apples peeled and grated can substitute with pears, frozen berries or other fresh fruit
- 1 banana
- 2 cup traditional rolled organic oats
- 1 egg whisked (remove if required due to allergies)
- 1 cup coconut milk
- ½ cup raisins
- ¼ cup coconut flour
- 1 tablespoon chia seeds optional
- 2 – 4 tablespoon maple syrup or honey optional
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon

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- Preheat oven to 200C and line a square baking tin with parchment paper.
- To make these quick I use a food processor. First I pop in chopped apple, banana, egg, coconut milk and maple syrup (if using) and blend to combine. Alternatively if making by hand mash the banana into a bowl, add the grated apple, the whisked egg and coconut milk and stir well with a wooden spoon.
- Once combined add all the dry ingredients to the bowl, (oats, coconut flour, chia seeds, raisins and cinnamon) and mix well with a food processor or by hand.
- Spoon the mixture into the prepared tin and pop in the oven for 30 minutes.
- Depending on your oven you may need to grill the top of the slice at the end of the cooking time for a minute to brown the top. Oats don't brown as well as other baking flours.
- Keeps fresh in the fridge for 5 days and can be stored in the freezer.

Allergy Information: Dairy Free, Wheat Free, Soy Free, Nut Free, Refined Sugar Free.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 11th November	All Day	Remembrance Day
W/c 16th November	All Day	Anti-bullying Week
Friday 20th November	All Day	Staff INSET
Friday 11th December	All Day	PTFA Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18th December	1:30pm	End of Term
Monday 4th January	All Day	Staff INSET
Tuesday 5th January	9am	Return to School -Spring 1
Tuesday 2nd or Wednesday 3rd	4.30pm	Parent Curriculum Meeting
Thursday 11th February	All Day	Spanish Day
Friday 12th February	3:30pm	End of Term
Monday 22nd February	9am	Return to School -Spring 2
Wednesday 3rd March	TBC	Parent Workshop on Safeguarding
Thursday 4th March	All Day	World Book Day
Friday 19th March	All Day	Comic Relief
Wednesday 31st March	1:30pm	End of Term
Monday 19th April	9am	Return to School Summer 1
Monday 3rd May	All Day	Early May Bank Holiday
Monday 17th May	All Week	Well Being Week
Friday 28th May	3:30pm	End of Term
Monday 7th June	9am	Return to School Summer 2
Friday 2nd June	TBC	Sports Day (TBC)
Monday 12th July	All Week	Enterprise Week
Thursday 22nd July	1:30pm	End of Term
Friday 23rd July	All Day	Staff INSET

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