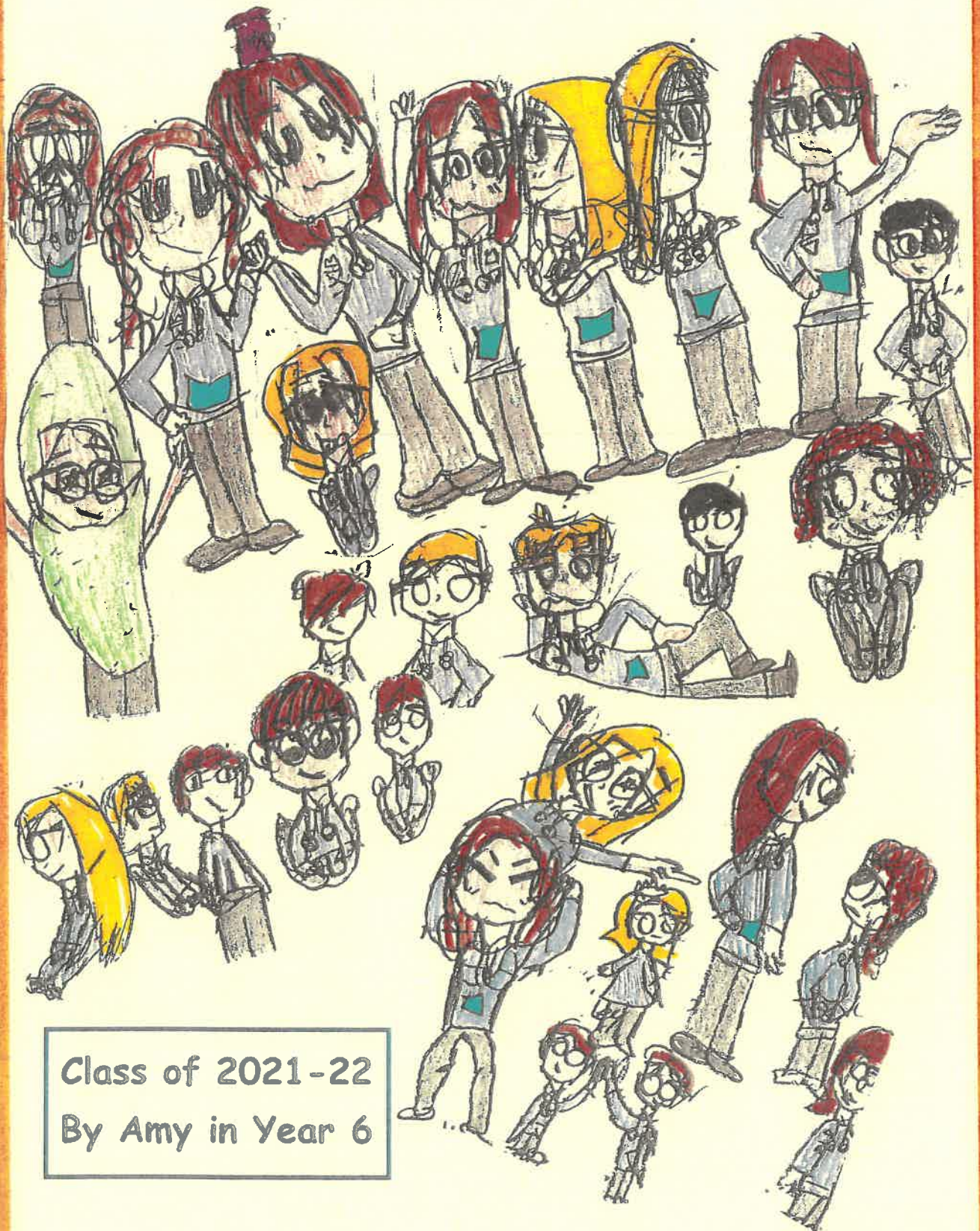




Kingstone Chronicle

July 2022



Class of 2021-22
By Amy in Year 6

Chronicle Team Welcome



Another term has gone by, but this is the last one for our Year 6 class—The Class of 2022! Well done to everyone for doing another amazing year at our incredible school; we have loved putting together our last EVER Chronicle.

We wish everyone an amazing summer.

The Chronicle Team.

Headteacher's Welcome

I can't believe that I'm writing the final Chronicle welcome of the academic year! This is the first Kingstone Chronicle in a long time without the wonderful Mrs Boyd at the helm; I hope we have managed to do justice to her legacy. Every member of the Chronicle Team has done a super job to put together this edition—I'm sure you'll agree there was a lot to fit in! Well done to:

Mistie, Josh, Maisy, Chloe, Gethin, Amy, Florence, Magnus and Faith! I'm so grateful to our High School helpers who have been a huge part of the team this half term, with ideas, support and technical wizardry – thank you, Oliver, Joe, Joseph and Jack (as pictured!) —it was brilliant to have you with us!



We've achieved so much over the past 11 months, and I'm immensely proud of the children and staff for their hard work, creativity, accomplishments and joyfulness—you all make this school such an amazing place to be a part of. It is at this time of year that we reflect on our children's educational journeys, welcoming the next generation of Kingstone Reception children into our school whilst we prepare to say goodbye to our latest Year 6 cohort. As the fabulous Year 6 Production so beautifully captured, our Class of '22 has had a unique, sometimes challenging, but always memorable time during their Primary years. Our talented, articulate, funny and fabulous Year 6 children are leaving well equipped for the next chapter of their education; rest assured, Year 6, that we remember and value every individual who passes through our school, and there will always be a friendly welcome for you here if you visit.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the parents, carers, staff, trustees, supporters and members of the community who do such a fabulous job of championing our amazing school. On behalf of the team, I hope you have a fabulous summer—I'm so excited for the new adventures that await in September 2022.

With best wishes,

Elissa Vigus



Reception

During our final half-term, our topic has been:

Going for Gold!

We have worked really hard during this final stretch to ensure we always try our best, and have thought about our hopes and dreams for Year 1 and the future.

Sports Day

We took part in our first ever Kingstone Sports Day, and used all that we have learnt in our topic to try our best in each and every race. We all showed great sportsmanship and cheered on our friends from each class. It was so exciting to see so many parents there too, and we can't wait for our next Sports Day in Year 1!



Circus Workshop

As part of our topic, we took part in a circus workshop where we learnt new skills, worked hard to perfect them, and showed terrific teamwork. We learnt how to throw juggling balls up high and catch them, how to balance plates on a stick, and performed a circus dance with ribbons. It was such great fun and it really showed us that we are all resilient, hard-working and great at following instructions.



Kindness

Our school value has been kindness, which is a quality we show all of the time in Reception. We are always kind, helpful and supportive of each other and we have been earning our 'caught you being kind' certificates. Here are some ways that we have shown kindness this summer term.



Seasonal Changes

We have been so lucky to have had glorious weather, meaning we have had so many opportunities to go outside and see all of the changes from spring to summer. We noticed that the tree leaves are so fresh and green, the flowers are in full bloom, and the temperature is much warmer!



It has been an absolute pleasure teaching every single child in Reception this year, and I have loved every moment of watching them grow. The children have learnt so much and we have had lots of fun along the way!

Enjoy your summer!

Miss Nicholas and the Reception Team.

Summer in Year 1

We have had the most fantastic final term in Year 1. We have had so much fun learning about our topic 'Going for Gold'. We have been thinking about our goals, our achievements and celebrating how wonderful we are!

In our writing sessions, we have been thinking about our role models and the people that inspire us. We have been writing letters to those people and have thought about the qualities we admire about them. We have also been reading stories about competitions and races. We loved making our own boats and racing them!



In maths, we have been learning how to add and subtract numbers to 20. We have also been learning about money and using our knowledge of multiples to add coins. We have been deciding whether we can afford certain toys with the money we have.



We have had a brilliant time learning about our topics! We have been thinking about different animal groups and how we can classify animals based on what they eat. We have also been busy creating clay trophy sculptures. We loved shaping the clay and deciding how we wanted to decorate them!



We definitely made the most of the sunshine!



We loved exploring shadows by using our wild animals to create shadow art!



We learned so many new tricks at the circus workshop!



We have been busy getting ready for Year 2. We loved our transition morning and enjoyed finding out what life will be like next year. We have had the most fantastic time and will continue to flourish and grow in Year 2!



Year Two

Going for Gold

The final half term in Year 2 was all about being the best that we can be. The children have shared their dreams and aspirations and also explored how other people have reached their goals.



During a visit to Kingstone Church, the children discovered that the Victorians made many changes. They introduced hymn books, tiled the floors, put new pews in and installed an organ.



Following our trip to the church, the children were inspired to make their own artificial flowers.

In English, the children wrote a biography about Grace Darling. They used drama to help understand her bravery and the impact of her actions.



In RE the children have been exploring the question - 'Who is Jewish and how do they live?' They drew pictures to represent the story of David and Goliath. In Forest School they made model Sukkahs.





The visit from Splat's Circus was a great way to try new skills and show how we can push ourselves to achieve things we thought were too tricky!



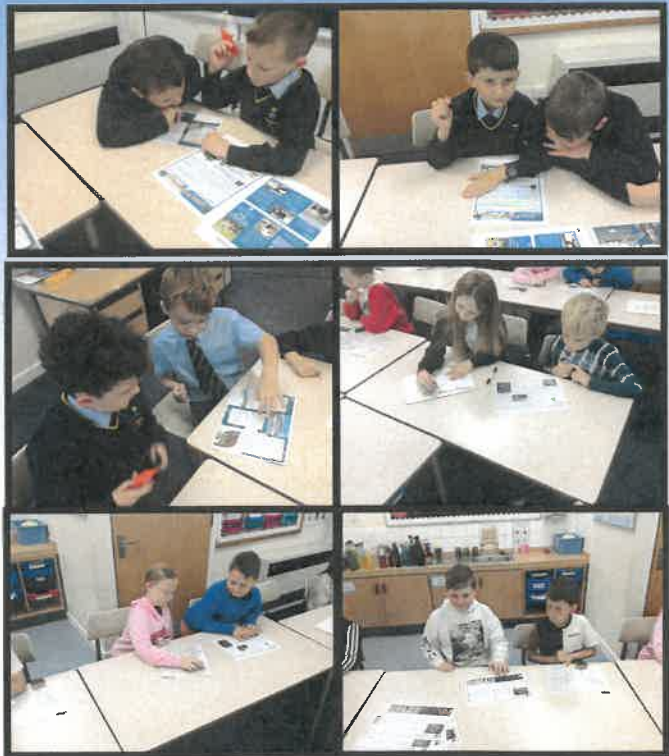
In science, we like to carry out investigations. We were asked the question 'are all leaves the same?' We were surprised how many different shapes and colours there were! We sorted them into groups.



In art, we have worked hard to improve our painting skills: choosing the correct brush, mixing our own colours, filling the page and using our observation skills. We used work by the artist Alex Levin as inspiration.

Year 3

Year 3 have really impressed me in their last half-term before moving on to Year 4. They have worked incredibly hard in all subjects and in all weathers. The children have been working to create persuasive brochures for ancient locations around the UK and the quality of their work has been phenomenal!

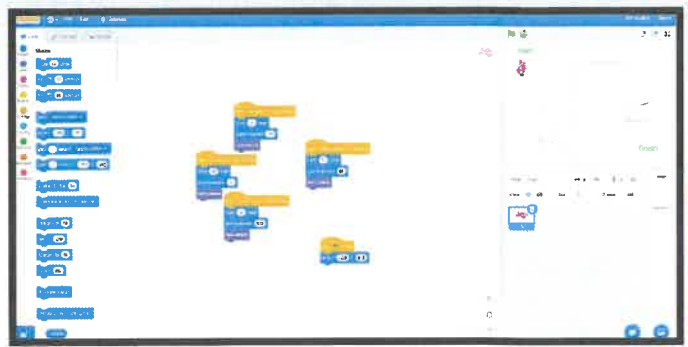
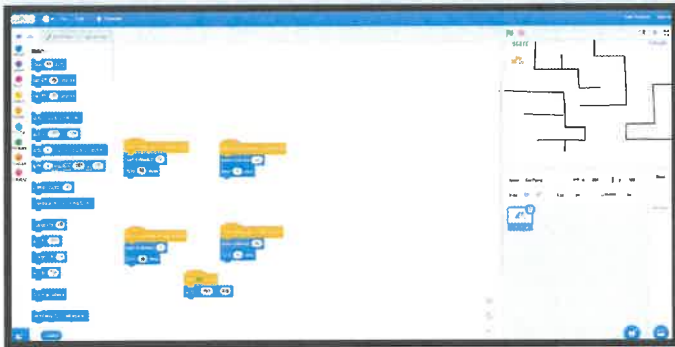


Year 3 have been practising lots of athletic skills in PE. The children have been working on improving their standing jumps and their ability to jump with a run-up. They also worked really hard practising for our school Sports Day by running individual and relay races.





Our computing work this half-term has been focused on improving our coding ability. We have been able to use Scratch to accurately control a Sprite and move it around a maze using our laptop keyboards.



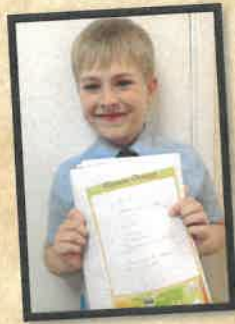
We have been learning about light, the way it works and how we need it to see the world around us. We have performed scientific enquiries in class to group different objects based on their transparency and we have also learnt about the way shadows are formed and noticed some really interesting patterns from this activity.



I couldn't have asked for a better half-term to finish up our time learning together. Enjoy your Summer holidays and I can't wait to see you tackle Year 4 in September. I know you'll have a fantastic time!

YEAR 4 – HOMELY HABITATS!

English- Poetry!



We have been poets this half-term. We linked in our science learning and wrote a poem about the effect climate change is having on animal habitats. We included metaphors and personification to describe the actions of climate change.



Computing

In computing, we have been looking at the difference between count-controlled and infinite loops, using our existing knowledge to modify existing animations.

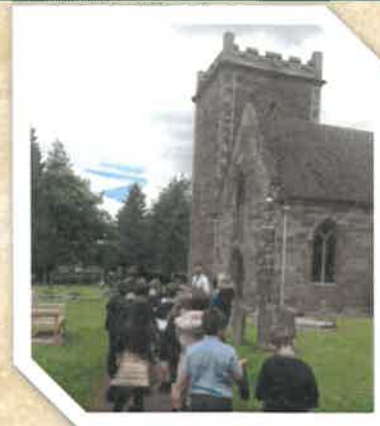


Religious Education - Making the world a better place.



We have studied the key question: 'How do people try to make the world a better place?' We focussed on the Jewish teaching of Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) and Islamic teaching of Zakah (charity.)

Geography - Our local area.



The children went on a learning walk of the local area, the village of Kingstone. When on the walk, they identified the following features:

- *The church*
- *The pub (Bullring)*
- *The new housing development*
- *The doctor's surgery*
 - *Little Acorns*
 - *Severn Site*

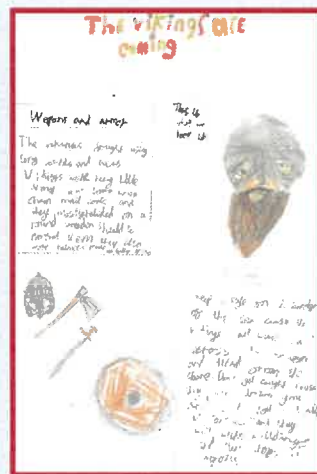
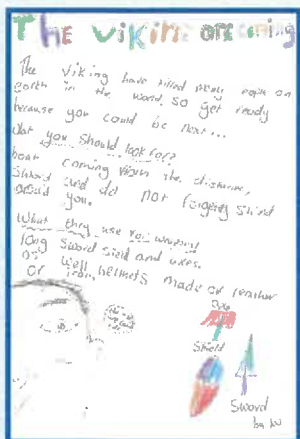
PE:

In PE this half term we have been focusing on athletics ahead of Sports Day. We had a brilliant time learning to throw a javelin and how to do a standing long jump, and I was so proud of everyone's efforts and performance. There have been lots of sporting activity this half term and some of our class were lucky enough to represent Kingstone and Thrupton at the School Games, playing rounders and tag rugby. They did such a super job!

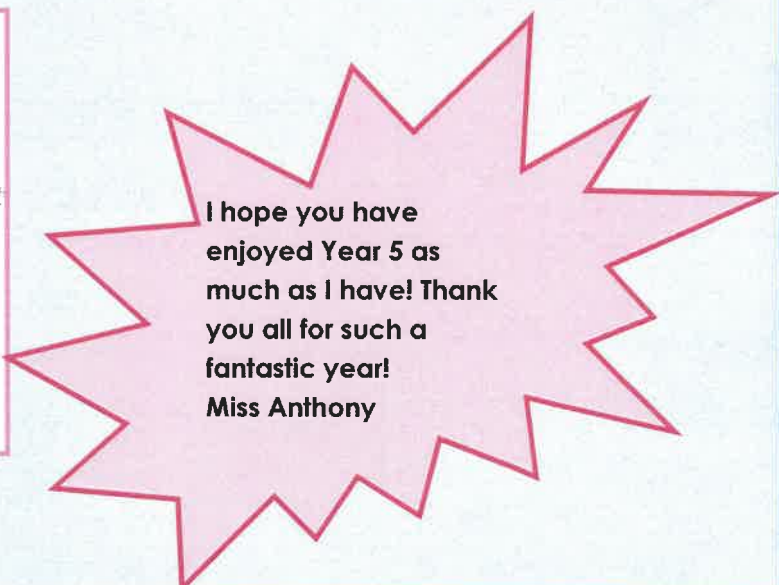


Topic:

We have thoroughly enjoyed our final topic in Year 5. We have delved deep into the era of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings and have covered all aspects including : artifacts, religion, raids and famous people. We have designed warning poster, written stories and carried out research! It has been a brilliant topic enjoyed by all.



Music:
This half term we have been getting all musical and working on our composing skills! We have been focusing on 4-beat-rhymes and using the chime bars to make our compositions come alive.



I hope you have enjoyed Year 5 as much as I have! Thank you all for such a fantastic year!
Miss Anthony

YEAR 6

TAKE PRIDE
IN HOW FAR
YOU HAVE COME
AND HAVE FAITH IN
HOW FAR YOU CAN GO!

Year 6 have had a wonderful final half term at KTPS. There has been so much great learning, fun and memory-making. I am so, so proud of each and every member of the class. Thank you for being such great role models during your final year; we will miss you lots. Good luck at high school and keep in touch!



In Art, we studied the work of Alice Mara. After researching her technique and style, we created our own model houses from clay. We learnt about the different stages and were fascinated to see what our models looked like before and after their first 'firing' and once the glaze had been applied. We were so pleased with the final results. I think you will agree — they are fantastic!



Early on this half term, we put the finishing touches to our sketches of the Queen, as part of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations.





This year, Year 6 wrote their own script for the end of year production, 'An Evening of Music and Dance.' The children used song and dance to tell the story of their journey through KTPS. There were fantastic individual and whole class performances. There was much laughter from the audience, and a few tears, as parents reminisced on their child's time at school.



We all had great fun being active on our activity day. We completed a scavenger hunt in the school grounds, made pizzas and challenged one another to a race on the inflatable assault course. Some of us camped over in school for the night, toasted marshmallows and played water balloon team-building games.



Sports Day!

On the 28th June, we welcomed parents and carers to come and watch our Sports Day. It was the first time in two years we could invite parents and carers to come and watch! It was fabulous to see all the children take part in the egg and spoon, sprinting and obstacle races.



All children showed fantastic sportsmanship, as they cheered on other classes. It was brilliant to see how much effort the children put into their races!



We also took part in National Sports Week, completing different field events. All the children competed in javelin and standing long jump.



Summer Games

On Wednesday 6th July KTPS attended the Herefordshire Summer Games! Year 4 and 5 represented our school in both the rounders and tag rugby festivals.



As part of the Summer Games, all schools were given a focus country from the Commonwealth. Our focus country was Cameroon! Before starting our sport festivals, all schools took part in an opening ceremony. We all walked around the athletics track with our Cameroon flag, before getting ready to warm up.



The tag rugby team worked hard in every single match and showed great teamwork! The rounders team won every single match in our category. It was fantastic to see everyone encourage not only our team, but teams from other schools as well!



I was extremely impressed by all of our children's positive attitudes and fantastic sportsmanship!

Miss Exley

Summer 1

Star Writers!

Back in Summer 1, we had such a lovely Tea Party! What impressed me the most, was the way that the children were giving each other encouragement and positive feedback, showing a real interest in each other's achievements. I was really proud of their writing, and could see how much effort they had all put in to earn their place at the Tea Party! There was a great range of writing, and I know that there has been some fantastic writing across the school this half term.

Well done to all our Star Writers—I can't wait for the next Tea Party and to celebrate our next group of talented young writers.

Mrs Vigus

Congratulations to these Star Writers!

Reception: Layton—for his super sentences about Goldilocks and the Three Bears! We loved the way Layton had used his phonics to help sound out his words!

Year 1: Lilly— for her fantastic piece of writing about 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Lilly used connectives and included lots of information about the actions and feelings in the story!

Year 2: James - for his independent narrative writing - Little Andy Adventurer Hood. James included some fabulous details, and we were very impressed with how much he had written!

Year 3: Seb - A brilliant fact file all about Emperor Penguins. Seb had carried out lots of research, and was able to explain some really tricky vocabulary to us all, including *endoskeleton*!

Year 4: Libby—for her great use of effective dialogue between characters in her fiction Viking story. We all agreed Libby's handwriting was beautiful, and she had some amazing description in her work!

Year 5: Amelia—for a wonderful diary entry. Amelia worked so hard to plan and develop her diary, impressing Miss Anthony and even earning her Pen Licence too!

Year 6: Ellen—For a brilliant piece of narrative writing based on the animation of 'Alma'. Ellen had us all 'hooked' with her exciting paragraphs!



Summer 2

Star Writers!

Our final Tea Party of the academic year! It is always a lovely time to celebrate a culmination of lots of hard work over the year, and we were so impressed with the progress that all the children had made! Islay represented Year 6 so well, with her amazing writing that was both an inspiration, and aspiration, for all. A super party, and I'm so proud of all the children and their hard work—it is such an honour to be chosen out of the amazing pieces of work that are produced in each class!

Well done to all our Star Writers—I know that September will bring a new generation of fabulous writers, and I'm so excited to see the work that we will celebrate. Remember that there are lots of opportunities to write during your time away from school; maybe you could send someone a postcard, keep diary or write a summer story! I'd love to see any writing that you manage to do over the Summer Holidays, so do send it my way. Have a lovely summer!

Mrs Vigus

Congratulations to these Star Writers!

Reception: Figgy - for her wonderful sounding out, presentation and illustration for her 'Rainbow Fish' writing.

Year 1: William—for his writing about our class story 'Giraffes Can't Dance'. William was so focused and put in so much effort! He read his writing aloud and everyone was extremely proud of him.

Year 2: Joshua—for fantastic independence when writing his autobiography. He read a brilliant paragraph out at the Tea Party, which we loved!

Year 3: Seb—for his persuasive brochure about Stonehenge. He used wonderful descriptive and persuasive language techniques - we were very impressed!

Year 4: Jayden- for his poem about climate change, using lots of fantastic vocabulary and including effective examples of metaphors and personification!

Year 5: Elias – for his overall dedication to his writing this half term, but especially his Viking invasion story; Eli used fantastic detailed descriptions and referenced back to his topic learning.

Year 6: Islay - for a fantastic piece of narrative writing based on the animation, 'Alma.' Islay's use of vocabulary and grammatical structures to build suspense were particularly impressive and her presentation beautiful, as always!



A decorative border surrounds the page, featuring various summer-themed icons such as flip-flops, ice cream cones, sunglasses, beach balls, watermelon slices, and beach umbrellas. In the top left corner, there is a white calendar page with the word "August" written on it.

August

Wellbeing Page

The summer holidays are almost upon us! For some, this will be a chance to rest and enjoy some family time, for others this can be a more difficult time. There can be lots of pressure to fill every day of the summer holidays with amazing trips out, however children usually just want to spend time with you doing the simplest of things.

Here are some tip tips for keeping active over summer, as well as some activity ideas.

Enjoy Nature

Take advantage of long sunny days by exploring the natural world (just don't forget the sunscreen).

- **Go bird watching.** Take photos and keep track of your sightings. Use an app or guidebook to identify feathered friends.
- **Grow fresh herbs in containers.** Use old coffee cans, milk cartons, jars, plastic cups, or anything else you have around the house. Keep your herb garden on a patio or window sill.

Make the Most of Rainy Days

When the weather keeps you indoors, there's still plenty to do!

- **Break out your movie collection or use Netflix.** Have a movie marathon complete with popcorn.
- **Build a fort.** Put pillows in the living room or cardboard boxes in the garden.
- **Camp in.** Put the sleeping bags on the floor and have a family.

August

Have Fun and Get Moving Outdoors

All you need is a little space and sunshine for these activities that get kids moving.

- **Build an obstacle course** in the garden and see how quickly you can each get through the course.
- **Have a water balloon rounders game.** Use a plastic bat, a bucket of water balloons, and old towels as bases and you are all set.
- **Take a walk.** Choose a route near your house or take a drive to a more distant park.

Spend Time With Friends

Gather cousins, neighbours, or school friends your kids miss seeing every day.

- **Have a BBQ.** Make a burger bar where kids can choose their own toppings, or set up a "make your own sundae" station.
- **Host a board game night.** Have a kids' game table and an adult one too.
- **Invite kids' friends for a sleepover.** Let them stay up late, watch movies, play games, and eat snacks.

Do Some Cooking

With summer's slower schedule, let kids take on some cooking projects.

- **Create and bake your own pizzas.** Kids will enjoy picking their own toppings. They can help prep by shredding cheese, washing mushrooms, chopping veggies, and so on.
- **Let the kids cook dinner.** Encourage them to plan the menu and shop for ingredients. Then allow them to cook dinner for the family. Supervise younger kids, but allow teens to go it alone.
- **Make ice cream.** Turn it into ice cream sandwiches or enjoy it on its own.

Whatever you choose to do with the upcoming holidays,
I hope you have great fun, make memories and stay safe.

See you all in September!

Miss Chamberlain

School Parliament



The children were excited to meet to meet up for School Parliament this term, and came with lots of ideas of what Kingstone and Thruxton Primary School can do to help the wider community. Over the next academic year, we are hoping to work on raising funds for charity with initiatives such as a book bring and buy sale. This is something that we, as a school, have done in the past and the children felt we could do on a more regular basis.

We also spoke about how we can enrich the classroom environment, watch this space to see what we have achieved next term!

Elections will take place again in September, but if the children have any ideas that they want to have read out in the next meeting, they can put them in the envelope on the board.





Mystery Sunflower!- Our sunflower is struggling to find the sun this year- it's facing the Year 4 wall!



Seedpods from these beautiful lilac poppies are currently being dried and seeds collected for next season.



Our Platinum Jubilee bed of things red, white and blue is currently displaying blue and white Nigella flowers. We have harvested red and white radish and await red delicious tomatoes.



Gardening Club



Summer Spectacular



The grapevine is growing so well, Anaya and Islay are tying it back to the supports.



Herb Planters: Our gardeners have sown basil, parsley and coriander seeds to make a herb planter for the kitchen. Tom is checking that they are not waterlogged from the rain. He has noticed they are already shooting.



Weeding and watering are a regular job each week. Paige and Elliot are particularly keen to ensure plants are looked after. Paige says, "pulling the weeds out is fun." Elliot added, "planting seeds and flowers is the best job."



Morrisons have kindly donated 'Seeds of Hope'. Gardening Club would like to say thank you, we look forward to planting and creating a new future bed of cornflowers.

From all the Gardening Club,
Have a lovely summer and enjoy your garden.

Summer Crabs Crafts

Here's how to take a seashell from the beach and turn it into a fun crab!



You will need:

A shell

Paint (acrylic is best)

Strong glue

3 pipe cleaners

Googly Eyes

Plus: A helpful adult for the sticky bits!

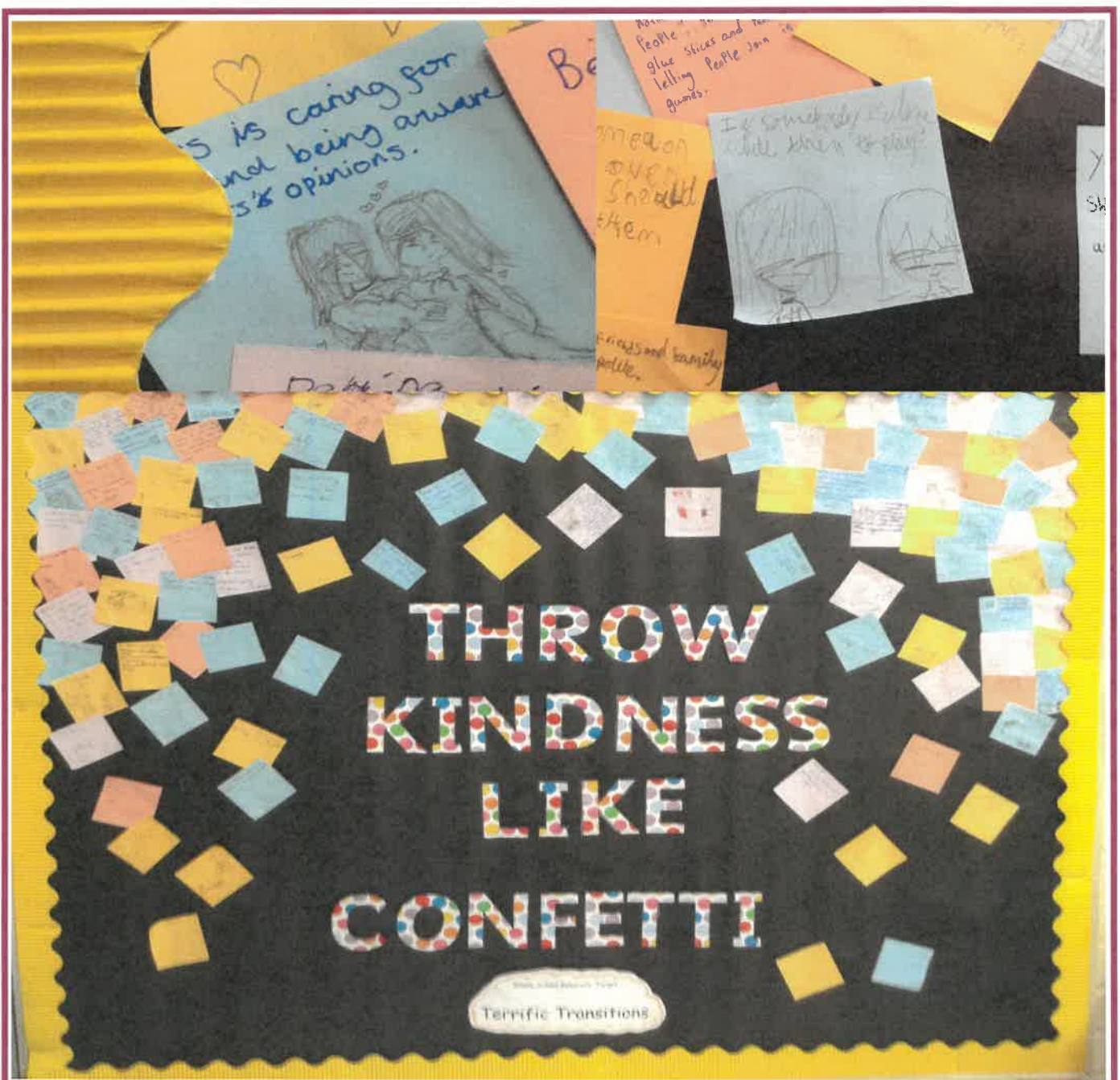
- ◆ Take your seashell and paint it a colour of your choice.
- ◆ Cut three pipe cleaners in half and twist five of the halves together at the centre.
- ◆ Ask an adult to help you glue the centre to the inside of the shell in the middle.
- ◆ When the glue is dry, spread out the pipe cleaners so that each side has five legs.
- ◆ Cut the remaining section of pipe cleaner in two, then fold around the front of each leg to form a claw.
- ◆ Glue on the googly eyes.

By Maisy

KINDNESS

Kindness is caring for others and looking out for each other. Being aware of other people's opinions is important so that everyone gets a say on what will happen. We had an assembly about kindness, watched a video and had a little guess on what we thought it was. We then thought of different ways we could 'throw' kindness!

Look at our fabulous Values display that was renewed ready for the KINDNESS value!



By Mistie

Amy's Marvellous Jokes

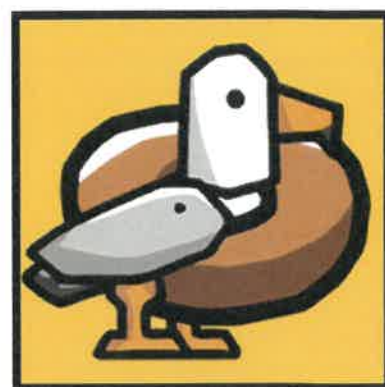
Why do fish swim in salt-water?

A: Because pepper water would make them sneeze!



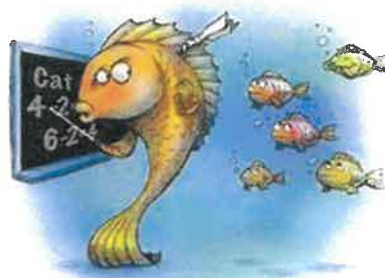
Why does a seagull fly over the sea?

Because if it flew over the bay it would be a BayGull!



Do fish go on vacation?

No, because they're always in school!



Q: What do you call a fish that doesn't have any eyes 'i's?

A fsh!



By Amy

Raspberry and Cherry Jubilee Trifle

What you need:

- 10 (sponge) biscuits
- 2 x 250g of cherries (chopped)
- 2 x 125g raspberries, washed
- 4 meringue nests, crushed
- 1 litre/1¾ pint ready-made custard
- 400ml/13fl oz double cream, lightly whipped
- 110g/4oz dark chocolate, grated
- 5tbsp of cherry juice

Check out our trifle, inspired by the winning Jubilee Pudding!

Method

1. Choose a large glass bowl. Break the biscuits into pieces and sprinkle at the bottom of the bowl. Pile the cherries on top and spoon over the cherry juice. Sprinkle the meringue nests on top of the cherries and sprinkle the raspberries on top of that. Pour the custard over the whole lot and chill for 10 minutes.
2. Spoon the whipped cream on top of the custard and sprinkle generously with the chocolate. Chill for a short period of time before serving, but don't leave it too long!



By Gethin



summer fun wordsearch

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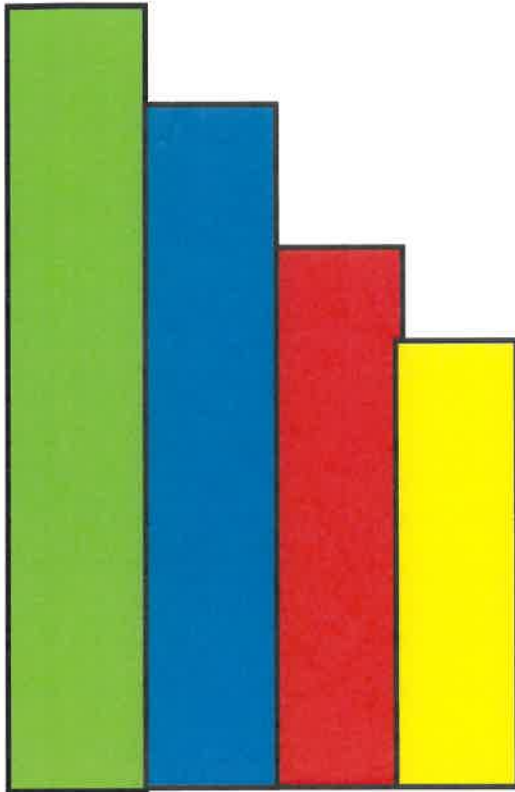
SUMMER COLOURING

*Here are some colouring pages linked to summer that are for all ages!



By Mistie

End of Term House Points



- Oak; 1450
- Sycamore; 1600
- Silver Birch; 1300
- Pine; 1250

KTPS are saying a massive well done to the winning house and well done to the rest of the houses for their hard work. Also saying well done to the people having their picture being moved up the rainbow chart and lastly well done to the hard-working earners that have earned points for their houses!

The winner is; Sycamore

2; Oak

3; Silver Birch

4; Pine

Solution

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Cubist Art, inspired by Picasso's Mediterranean Landscape
by Oliver, Paige, Isabel and Kian in Year 3