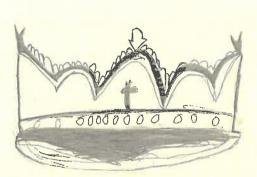
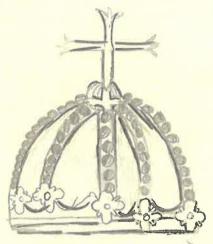


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Coronation pictures by Oliver, Taras, Jack, Eben and Kian Year 4

Chronicle Team Welcome

Welcome to our exciting edition of the Kingstone Chronicle.

We have some excellent pieces including: Coronation pages, a book review (which is the first one ever), a delicious baking page and much more. Read on to find out which house achieved the most house points this term. There is so much more for you to read and look at—we hope you enjoy it!

Happy half term from your Chronicle team!



Headteacher's Welcome

we've had such a busy half term, managing to fit such a lot into the few weeks we've had. The Chronicle Team have had to work extra hard this half term, as the Bank Holidays coincided with our Chronicle Club day! Well done to the whole team, plus a huge thank you to our wonderful guest editor Ms. Quinsey, who has worked so hard to help us make it to print on time.

In the pages that follow, you will see a wonderful flavour of the activities that have been taking place. We've had Viking Feasts (Year 5), a residential adventure to Longtown (Year 4), Egg-splosive Egg Drop Competitions (Year 2) as well as lots of whole-school fun celebrating the King's Coronation and much, much more. We have also seen so many out of school achievements, which have impressed us from every sport you can think of, to music awards, we're really proud of our talented children! I'm always really impressed when I hear about members of our school supporting our local community, and this half-term William

has been showing the best of Kingstone Values by doing a litter pick! Such a fabulous thing to do to protect the wildlife and local environment— here he is in action—well done, William!

I hope you thoroughly enjoy the window into our school that our latest Chronicle offers. Our reporters are always looking for news-

worthy articles, so do let us know if you have something for our next edition.

With best wishes for a lovely half term break, Elíssa Vígus

Reception Summer 1 Once Upon a time This half term we have shared many fairy tales. We have shared them through reading, role play, puppet shows and small world. The children have become familiar with the repeated refrains of many stories and can retell parts of them with their friends. We have progressed to numbers to 10, learning number bonds to 5 then onto 10 and using the language of more than and less than. Many of the children have had a heavy interest in Super Mario so lots of play has been centred around this, with names of characters being written to 'Bagsy' the character.







Kings Coronation

A week of Princes and Princesses followed by Kings and Queens meant much dressing up, castle building (both in small world and life size with loose parts outdoors), storytelling and bunting making. The children shared a celebration party and games to welcome the new King Charles III to the throne.

After the coronation weekend the children loved sharing their stories of their busy and fun filled celebrations with their families and friends.



























Spring in Year 1



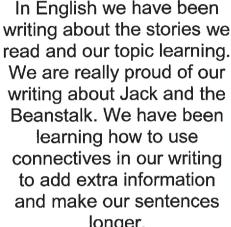


We have had such a fantastic half-term filled with learning, fun and memorable experiences. Our topic has been 'Once Upon a Time' and we have really enjoyed exploring this.





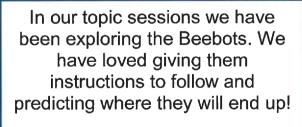






longer.

In Maths we have been thinking about coins. We have been learning what different coins look like and how we can count them. We loved pretending to be shopkeepers and customers to buy items!



We have also been thinking about materials and their properties. We became Scientists and conducted our own experiments to test which materials are waterproof.

































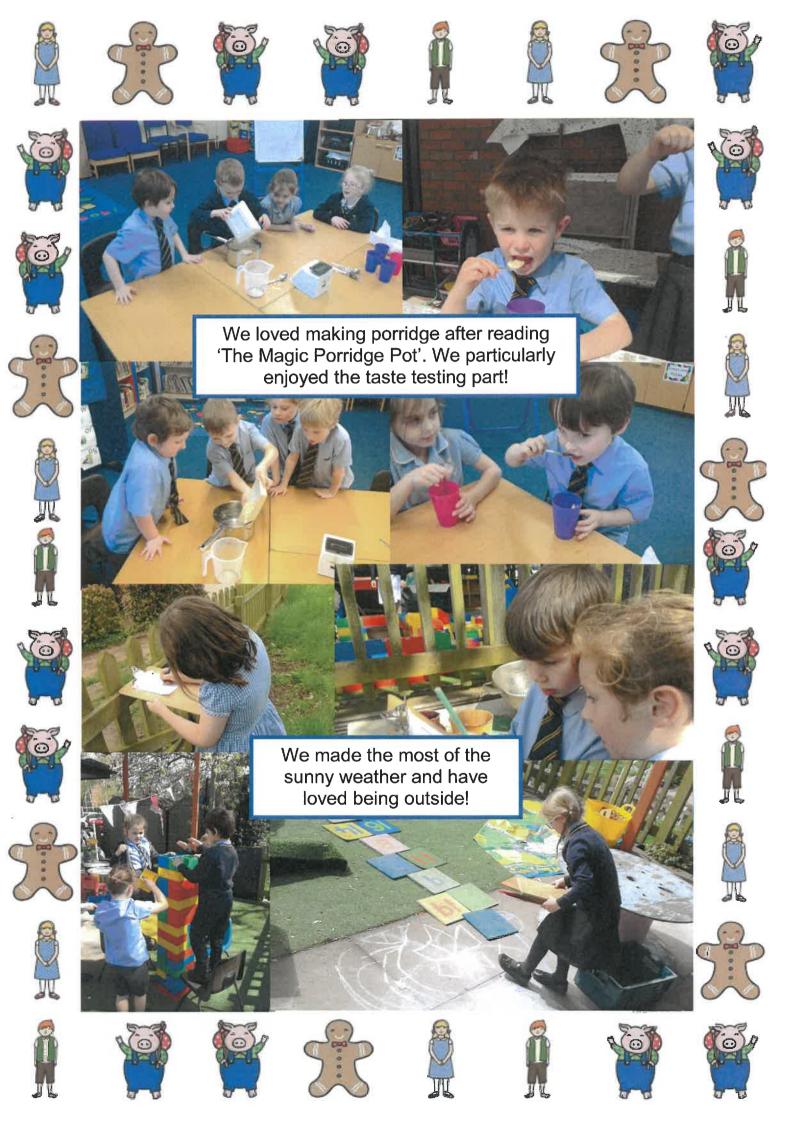












Year 2 News

We all enjoyed our cricket coaching sessions. Our coach was impressed with the progress we made in throwing, catching and batting skills.







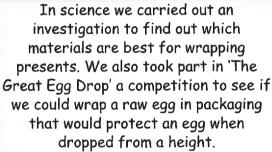




































In Forest School we worked together to make a 3 person swing out of recycled materials. We also found a newt, as well as a number of other fascinating minibeasts!







In computing we learnt to program robots to follow instructions. We started by giving each other instructions to move from one part of the carpet to another. We tested our instructions and amended as necessary. We then wrote 'programs' to move bee bots from a given spot to a given destination.











We have had a great time in our DT lessons this half term as we learnt how to make natural dyes out of beetroot and onion. We then learnt the technique of hapazome to create leaf and flower prints on fabric. Our final lesson will require us to prepare a t-shirt for dip dyeing. Please look out for pictures in our class blog!



















In our writing lessons we have been writing the biography of Grace Darling. We took part in drama sessions before we started writing to help us understand the significant parts of her life and the thoughts and feelings she may have had along the way. As you can see from the pictures on the right we are all very proud of the writing that we produced















In RSHE we have been focussing on relationships and teamwork. We are starting to understand the importance of clear communication.

Year 3

Year 3 have had such an exciting half-term. We have been learning about programming in our Computing lessons and the children have shown that they have such a brilliant grasp of coding by using Scratch to create complex algorithms. These have resulted in them being able to debug code and even create block-coding programs to turn their laptop keyboards into musical instruments!































Year 3 have learnt so much about Greece and the Mediterranean region in our Geography lessons this half-term. We have discussed why it is such a popular tourist destination, we have learnt about the history of the area and even enjoyed a 'silent debate' which involved us using notes to agree, disagree or add to another group's response to a particular question. It was a fantastic way to share ideas.















Year 3 have been working very hard in Science this half-term. We have learnt so much about light, how it works, how it helps us see and even how dangerous it can be. The children really enjoyed learning about how shadows are made and looking at the patterns that emerge depending on how the light source and object move.













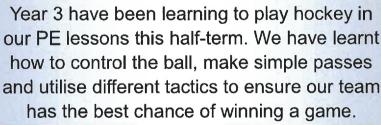




























The weather has been really kind to us this half term which has meant we have been able to enjoy our PE lessons out on the field. We have been developing our sending and receiving techniques. We have learnt to bowl (both over and underarm) at a target. We have enjoyed using our









In Writing sessions we have written out own alternative versions of the 3 Billy Goats. The children were very imaginative and wrote some brilliant traditional tales. Theo enjoyed sharing his version (The Three Komodo Dragons) at the Writers Tea Party with Mrs Vigus.





We have also designed, written and sent invitations to our parents and carers - in a few weeks time they will be joining us for afternoon tea. We cannot wait to bake for them all!





Science

In Science, we have been exploring states of matter. We learnt all about



solids, liquids and gases and the makerup of each. We carried out a number of investigations to learn all about reversible and irreversible changes linked to states of matter. Here are some photos of one of our investigations where we were observing changes in temperature. We recorded our results and really impressed the adults with our accurate reading of scales.



Reading

We have been thoroughly enjoying our class text of, 'Letters from the Lighthouse.' This book is about a family living in World War II.

Three children are evacuated from London to Devon but one of the three siblings goes missing, without a trace! Every time we read more we are left on a Cliff hanger—we cannot wait to find out the ending!



















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Year 5

It's certainly been another jam packed half term. We have been doing lots of exciting things and can't wait to share with you what we have been getting up to.

Writing:

This half term we have been working really hard researching the Battle of Hastings. We have completed our own research and produced a historical recount. We then moved on to writing a persuasive speech to spur warriors on into battle!







Computing:

For computing we have been learning how to block code using the program

Scratch. We've really enjoyed this unit and have enjoyed making our own computer games.







DT:

This half term we have been looking at weaving. We started the topic by looking at the artist Anni Albers and her work on the loom. We then had a go at looming our own space raiders from paper. For our final piece we all designed and created our own place mat for the Viking feast. This consisted of making our own loom from cardboard before using a selection of wool to create our final piece. A tricky project but everyone did a fantastic job!



























PE this half term has been a lot of fun, for all the class and even the adults have got involved. We have been working on multiple skills including our team work and communication skills. Children have been set a series of challenges including problem solving games, fitness circuits and obstacle courses.









Science

In science this half term we have had a really exciting topic with lots of opportunities for experiments. We have been exploring materials and their properties, we have covered topics such as: dissolving; soluble and insoluble; separating materials; reversible changes and irreversible changes. For our lesson on irreversible changes we were lucky enough to go up to the high school and make out own loaves of bread.







































History:

This half term we have been learning all about the Vikings. This has been a fantastic topic that we have really enjoyed. We have learnt about: where the Vikings originated from: place names: Viking raids; Norse gods and Viking mythology; the Herefordshire hoard; primary and secondary sources and finally the influence the Vikings had on life in Britain.

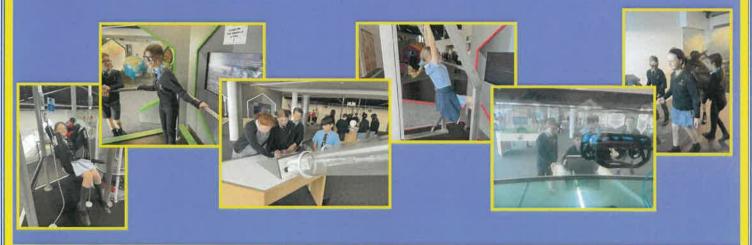
To celebrate such a fantastic topic we had our very own Viking feast where we ate Viking bread, pea soup, cheese, vegetables, fruit and a range of meats. We also had the opportunity to create willow head pieces ready for the feast as well as, cooking our own bread and soup.





Year 6 ending their 'Light' topic in Science with a trip to Techniquest in Cardiff! This was just a brilliant trip; not only did we get to see the light exhibits in the dark room where we could break the light up into colours, but we could capture our shadows and even look at how to power the electricity to make light via wind turbines, and solar power.

As well as light exploration, we also got to review a lot of our KS2 Science learning: we discovered what an earthquake would feel like and the different magnitudes, how air compression works and can be used to lift even people up, how to pilot an underwater drone and had great fun experiencing wind pressure in a tornado storm.



The children also got to take advantage of a 'lab' event at Techniquest. They explored chemical reactions to change the colour of a indicator and also saw how fireworks are created by the burning of different chemicals.











SATs & Revision

This Summer Term in Year 6 is a very busy one and it can be quite stressful. We have

been working really hard in class to alter our mindsets towards stress. We explored ways to keep calm, knowing that we want to do our best but are not defined by our results. We have been looking at how we can focus our minds by making revision fun and engaging, as well as taking time to care for our mental health by taking breaks and emptying our 'stress buckets'. One of the ways we revisited our maths topics was by changing the drawing board—literally! We taped up our tables in cool shapes, identified the different angles and then used a protractor to measure them—drawing all over our tables! This gave us a chance to discuss rules of angles: how many degrees are there? How do we find a missing angle? Angles on a Z etc. It was great fun, check out the photos below!











A Class Family

Our Year 6s make us extremely proud every day with their attitude towards learning, their kindness and compassion and their collaboration and celebration of each other. They make a great class family.

After so much hard work in SATs Week, they were rewarded with a delicious Dominos Pizza and here is a picture of them joining together and sharing!



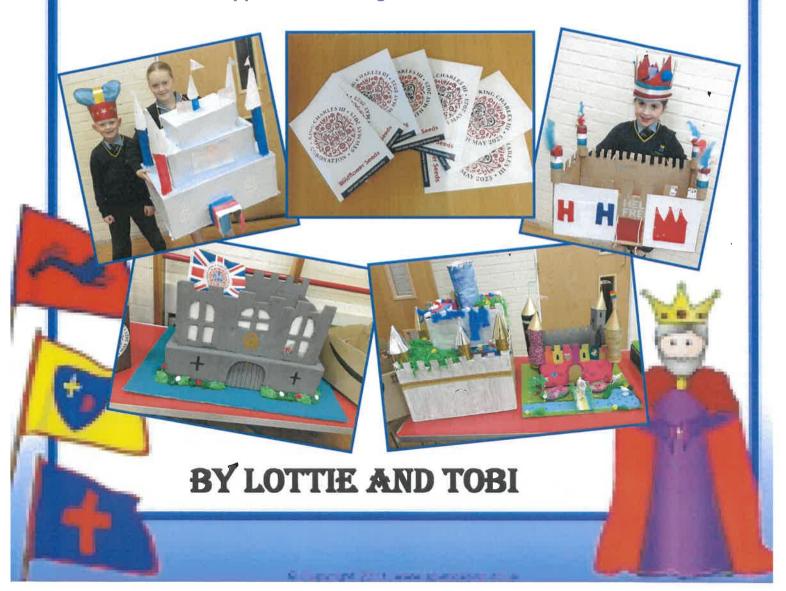




King Coronation Celebration

King Charles' coronation will be a less grand affair compared to his Mother's. For starters, the ceremony guest list will include 2,000 people, which is vastly slimmed down from the 8,000 who attended Elizabeth's. The ceremony will also only run for between one to two hours compared to the late Queen's three-hour service. King Charles has also requested Greek Orthodox music to be played during the service in honour of his late father. Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh.

As for the attire, King Charles will be wearing a military uniform, which is a break from the usual silk stockings and breeches. The change is to reflect the more modern approach the King wishes to take towards the coronation.



Summer Sport

KS1

This half term reception have been busy focusing on their PE unit, multi skills. It has been fantastic to see everyone working so hard and learning new skills through small multi skill games. Year 1 have been busy in their athletics lessons in preparation for sports day! They have been practicing their sprinting, obstacle and relay races. This half term Year 2 have been busy attending their swimming lessons! Everyone has been working towards their next swimming badges. It's been brilliant to see the progression over the past six weeks.







KS2

This half term Year 3 have been focusing on hockey! Year 4 have also been working hard in their PE unit, 'cricket'. Everyone's bowling, throwing and receiving skills have greatly improved and it's been lovely to see the sportsmanship on display in each lesson. Year 5 have been focusing on teambuilding activities. As a class they have really impressed me with their super attitudes and teamwork when completing our challenging activities. Year 6 have also been enjoying their rounders unit. They have used their prior knowledge and skills to showcase their rounders skills.







Summer Sport

Year 5 Football

This half term eleven year 5 children enjoyed participating in a football match against Lord Scudamore. Everyone showed fantastic sportsmanship and superbly represented KTPS! The final score was 7-0 to Kingstone! Well done to everyone that took part!



Year 3 Sports Festival

This half tem Year 3 had the opportunity to attend a sports festival at the High school. The focus this half term was mini tennis! Year 3 were fantastic and worked extremely hard!

Chance to Shine Cricket

As a school, its been brilliant to work alongside Herefordshire cricket and have the opportunity to participate in 'Chance to Shine' sessions.







We have also been busy at our sports clubs this half term. We have had cricket running for KS2 and multi skills for KS1.

Looking ahead...

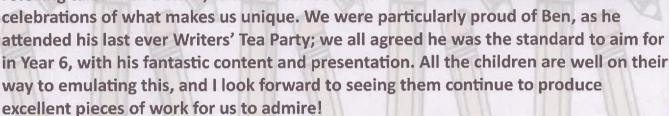
Next half term we are looking forward to our 'chance to shine' cricket sessions, as well as more sports festivals and competitions for a range of sports, such as football and rounders.

Miss N Exley



We had a brilliant Writers' Tea Party, with so many fabulous pieces of work to celebrate! We were really impressed with the quality of the children's work, and decided that everyone had multiple pieces of Star Writer-worthy celebration in their books. It is wonderful to see the hard work that has gone into creating writing books to be proud of.

There was an incredible range of writing, from retelling tales with a twist, to historical facts and



Well done to all our Star Writers, and to the many shortlisted writers across the school—I'm sure you'll be coming to see me soon!

Mrs Vigus

Congratulations to these Star Writers!

Reception: Rauri—for independently sounding out his words when writing!

Year 1: Arthur — for a brilliant piece of writing about what makes him incredible. He came up with his ideas independently and could think of lots of ways that he is special!

Year 2: Arnie - for making ambitious word choices in his sentence stacking lessons as we wrote a biography. He also regularly challenges himself to add extra details to engage the reader.

Year 3: Layla— she has produced a set of instructions for building a strong body and has worked really hard on her layout, presentation and use of numbered bullet points.

Year 4: Theo— for a brilliant alternative version of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. Theo wrote 'The Three Komodo Dragons' following the same traditional tale structure.

Year 5: Seth - for his detailed historical recount, his passion for History has really shown in this piece of writing.

Year 6: Ben — for a well written independent information text discussing our history topic: Early Black Brits.

Hot Chocolate with the Head!

This half-term's Hot Chocolate with the Head has been wonderful, again lots of children have been earning shout outs and the chance to enjoy a creamy delicious hot chocolate. This page celebrates those children who have been chosen from the special pot—well done to them all!

By Bella



Josh, William, Theo, Jaxen





Natalia, Dotty, Louie, Logan, Freddie



Kian, William, Freya, Ben, Ava

Chelsea, Lacey, Xavier, William, James



Out of School Achievements

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We've had so many brilliant achievements to celebrate this half term! The Golden Table has been more full than ever with certificates, medals and trophies to celebrate in Friday's Celebration Assembly. We are really impressed by the range of activities that everyone has been getting up to out of school. Here are some of their amazing

achievements...

Isla in Year 1 has received her level 2 Duckling certificate in swimming.

Well done, Isla!



Eden, Year 5. has received a medal for his rugby Congratulations, Eden





Duckling

Izzy, Year 4, has been awarded a certificate for her bravery.

Well done, Izzy!



Evie, Year 4, has been awarded a certificate for her proficiency in trampolining. Super job, Evie!



Poppy, Year R, has gained her Duckling level 3 certificate in swimming. Great job, Poppy!

Esme, Year 6, donated her long hair to the Little Princess Trust.

Amazing, Esme!



Isabelle, Year 1, has received a medal for her swimming. Fantastic.

Isabelle!





Well done to James, Year 1, for his certificate for playing the piano.







George, Reception, has gained his Duckling level 3 certificate in swiming.

Brilliant, George!

Aeryn, Reception, has passed her Bronze level 1 and level 2 in gymnastics.

Keep up the good work, Aeryn!





Reggie, Reception, for playing in his football team. Super, Reggie!



Izzy, Reception, has received a trophy for her football skills.

Excellent, Izzy!



Lewis, Year 5, has gained his blue belt in martial arts.

Super work, Lewis



Elis, Year 3, gained his Blue belt in marital arts.

Well done, Elis!



Leo, Year 5, was awarded a trophy for the coach's best player.

Well done, Leo!



Well done to Connie, Year 2, received Learn to Swim level 1 certificate!



Evie, Year 4. received a certificate for taking part in a trampolining competition,

Fabulous, Eviel



Mikayla, Year 1, has been awarded her Learn to Swim level 2 certificate!

Congratulations, Mikayla!



George, Reception, for achieving his Duckling level 4 certificate! Well done.

George!



William, Year 2, has gained his Duckling 4 certificate in swimming! Great job, William!



Aimee, Year 3, received a certificate for her bronze level 2 in gymnastics! Fabulous. Aimeel



Isla, Year 1, for achieving her Duckling level 4 certificate! Well done. Isla





Esme, Year 3, was awarded her Learn to Swim level 1 certificate.

Well Done, Esme!





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Aeryn, Reception has received a certificate for being a super gymnast!

Amazing, Aeryn!



As children grow and develop, they need important nutrients to be strong and healthy. Some of the benefits of healthy eating include:

- Stable energy
- Strong bones and teeth
- Improved mental health:
 Makes us think clearly and be more alert
- Maintaining a healthy weight
- Preventing chronic diseases





Fruit and vegetables are part of a healthy, balanced diet and can help you stay healthy. It's important that you eat enough of them.

Evidence shows there are significant health benefits to getting at least 5 portions of a variety of fruit and vegetables every day. That's 5 portions of fruit and veg in total, not 5 portions of each. A portion of fruit or vegetables is 80g.

Check out the Healthier
families website for more
info and some great
recipes to try - Healthier
Families - Home - NHS
(www.nhs.uk)







Let it grow



This half term Green Team have been looking for a spot to let lots of wild flowers grow so that we can have loads of minibeasts roaming around. Why don't you have a go at having a 'NO MOW ZONE' in your garden? Just make sure you tell your parents not to mow it, and take a look at all the bugs and beetles you can find.





Harvesting willow trees

To harvest willow trees, all you need to do is cut off a branch and plant it in a hole ready for it to grow. Why don't you try?

Recycling and re-using

Remember to bring in broken lunchboxes and bottles, wires and cables, Pringle tubes, bread bags and broken pens and pencils. They can all be recycled and better still it helps to raise money for local charities!

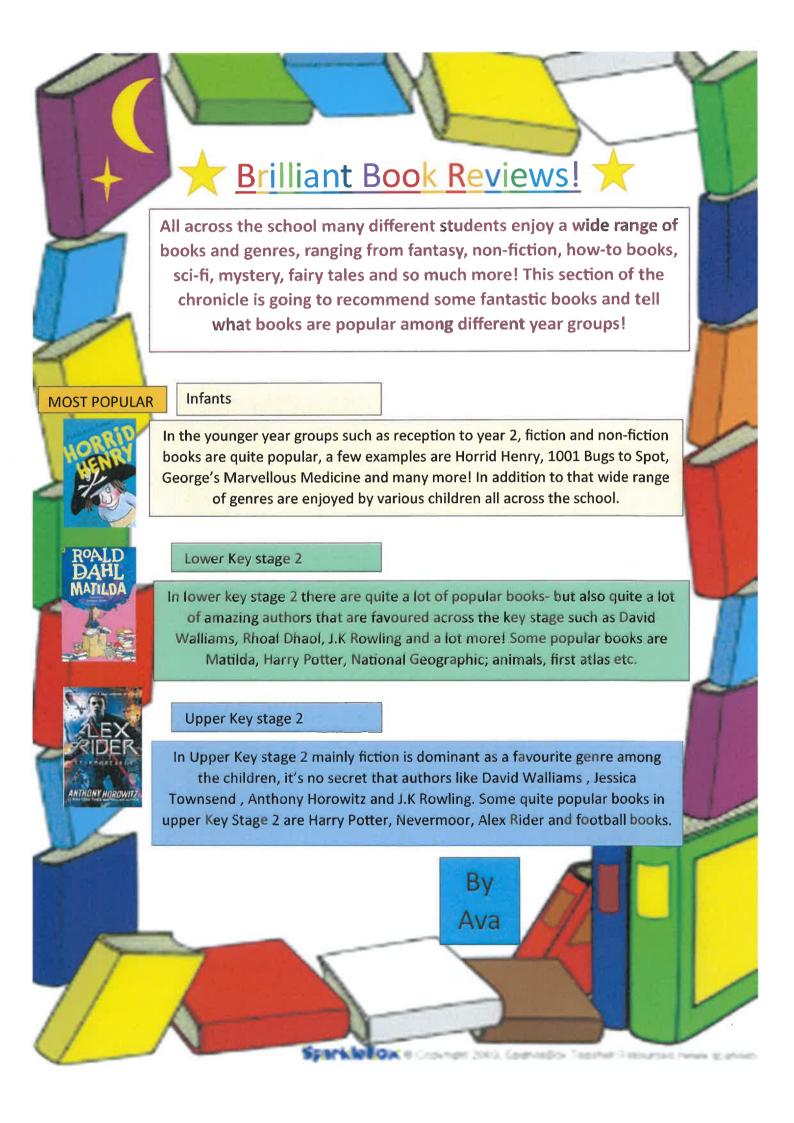
Ben was the winner of our competition to bring in bread bags, which are recycled to raise money for eco- school projects. Well done Ben!





We made a wonderful swing for forest school using reclaimed materials.

Guest Reporters: Libby and Demi



Union Jack Meringue Recipe

For this edition, we have chosen a red, white and blue themed recipe in honour of the King's Coronation! You might need an adult to help you for parts of this recipe, as you'll find it easier to use an electric whisk to help you.

Ingredients:

- 4 egg whites, at room temperature
- pinch salt
- 220g caster sugar

For the decoration:

- Blueberries
- Strawberries
- Cream
- Mint

Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 120°C. Line two baking trays with baking paper.
- 2. In a clean, dry bowl place the egg whites and the salt. Using an electric beater, beat egg whites until soft peaks form.
- 3. Add the sugar slowly, and continue to whisk each one in until just combined. Once all the sugar has been added, continue to whisk until the mixture is very thick and glossy (this will take about 2-3 minutes).
- 4. The sugar should be dissolved into the mixture take a pinch of the mixture and run it between your fingers, if it feels gritty, the mixture needs a little more whisking.
- 5. Drop tablespoons of the baking trays, allowing room between each for them to expand.
- 6. Reduce the oven temperature to 100°C as you place the trays in the oven and cook 1.5 hours. To check if the meringues are cooked, tap one on the underside it should sound hollow.
- 7. When they are cool, you can decorate! For the coronation theme you can put strawberries, blueberries and some whipped cream on it and if you want you can put some mint leaves on too.

By Lauren

Craft page

3D Hot Air Balloon

You will need -

- ⋄ 5 coloured pieces of card
- ♦ Toilet roll
- ⋄ Scissors
- ♦ Glue or tape
- ♦ String

Start by cutting out 5 hot air balloon shapes with different coloured paper.

Try to make them as close to the same size as possible! Fold then in half and glue each side to another piece of paper to make it 3D.

Cut a little piece of a toilet roll off and tape some string inside. Glue on some dots or stickers round the outside. Tape the top pieces of string to the inside of two of your paper balloons.







Now you are ready to hang up your 3D Hot Air Balloon!

Summer Jokes

What do you call a fish with no eye?







How do teddy bears keep their den cool in the summer?

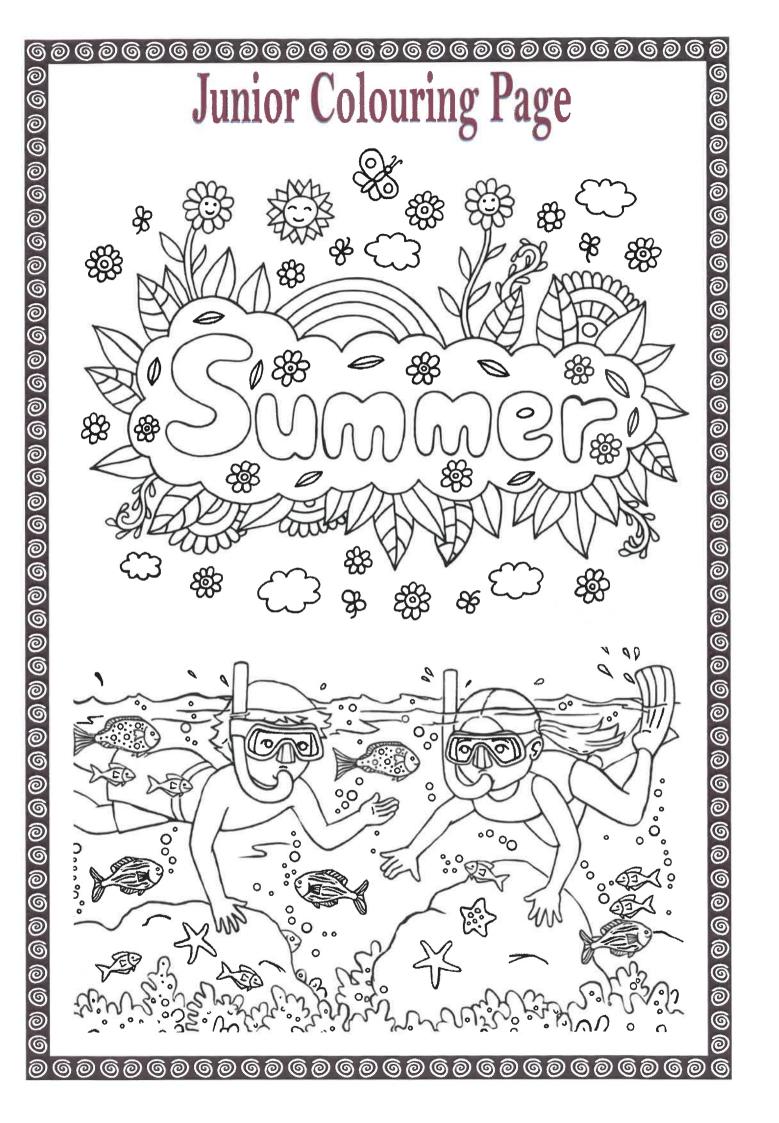
They use bear conditioning.



By Bella

Why do bees have sticky hair?
Because they use honey combs.



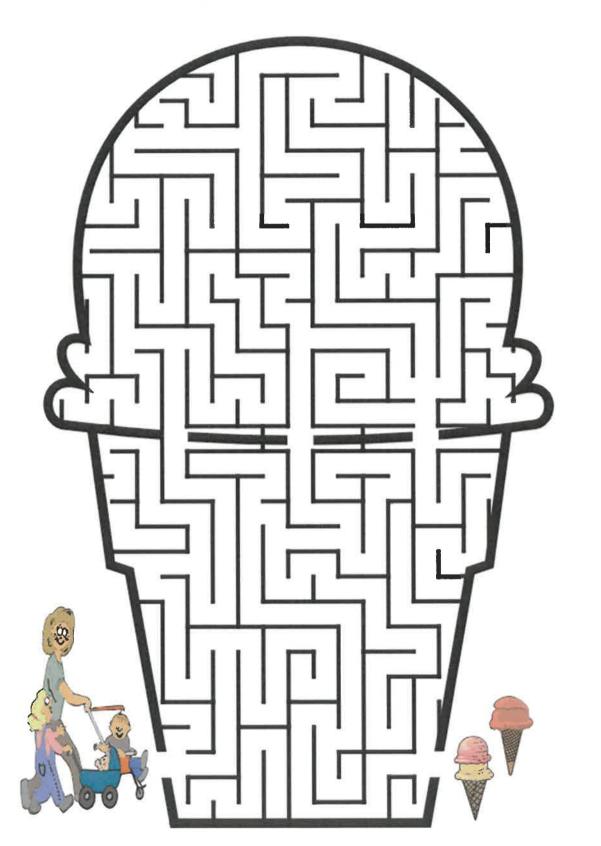






Summer Maze





Value Page



The value for this term is FRIENDSHIP



SUNSHINE BUTTERFLY POOL BUBBLES

HAT

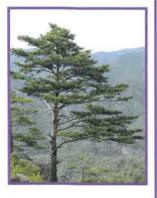
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House Points

Pine: 2000

Sycamore: 1950

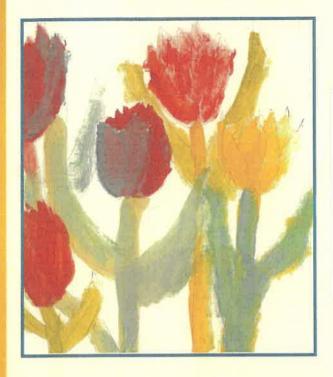
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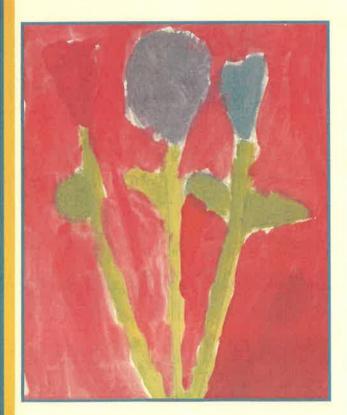
Silver Birch: 1600

Well done to everyone in Pine for being in 1st place this Half Term!

By Lauren and Bella









by Connie, Oscar, Betty and Delcie Year 2