



Curriculum Highlights Autumn 1

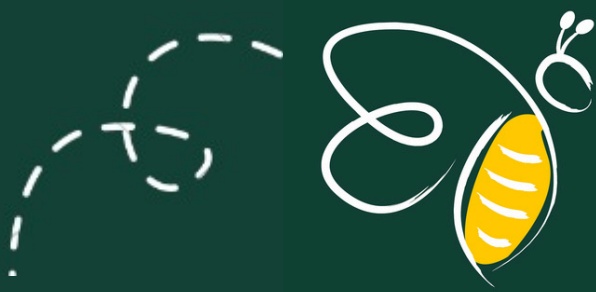
Year R

The Year R children have had a fantastic start to their school journey and are already settled and following the school routines.

We have been developing our growth mindset just like the Trying Turtle who does not give up when it is hard and keeps going. We practised that in one of the activities during our WOW Day by walking along the beam. Some children could even walk along it independently by the end.



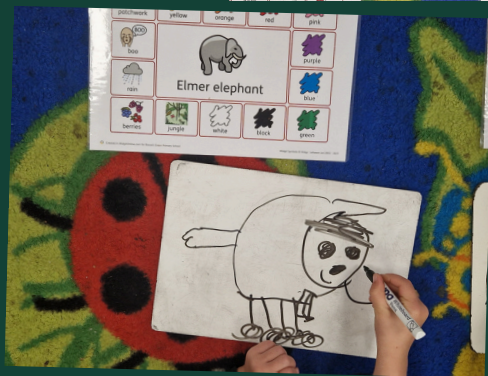
We have really enjoyed the role play bakery in Underwater Explorers this half term. This has helped us develop our confidence, speaking and listening skills, imagination and counting skills.



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Year R - continued

We have been learning to subitise in maths. We do this by knowing how many are in a set up to 5 quickly without having to count them. In our Busy Bee morning activities, we practised doing it with conkers.



In English, we have been drawing our favourite character or part of a story. We drew some amazing elephants when we read the Elmer story. Some children were even able to label the elephant with the 'e' sound. What great work!

We also practised our writing when we did our food week based on the story Oliver's Vegetables by using vegetable stickers to create a shopping list and labelling the vegetables with the sounds we could hear.



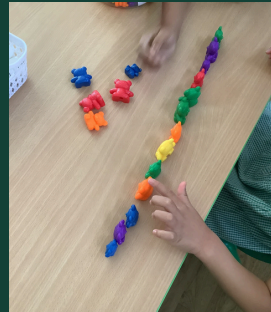


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KS1- Year 1

Maths

We have been practising counting up to 20 and finding one more and one less. We have also been comparing numbers using greater than, less than or equal to.



Geography

We have been learning about maps and making maps of the school. We have also developed our understanding of physical and human features.



Computing

We have been creating algorithms for the Beebots and giving them instructions to move from one place to another.



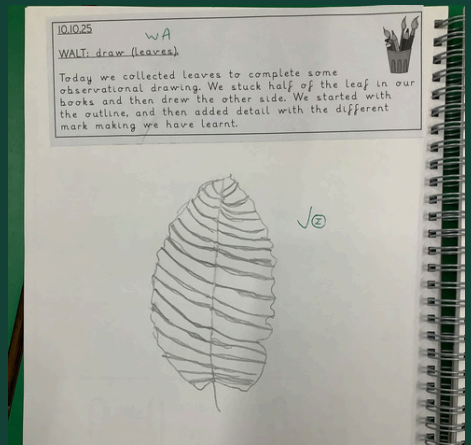
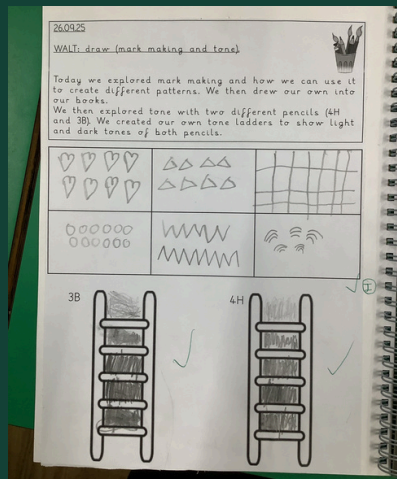
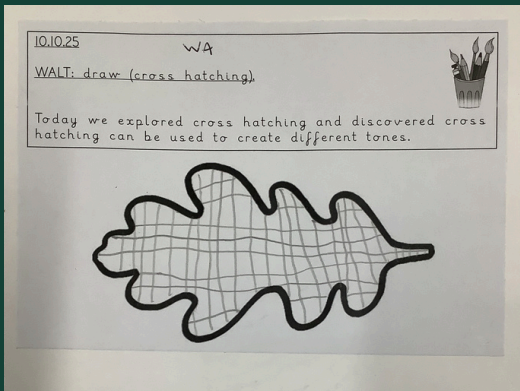


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Art

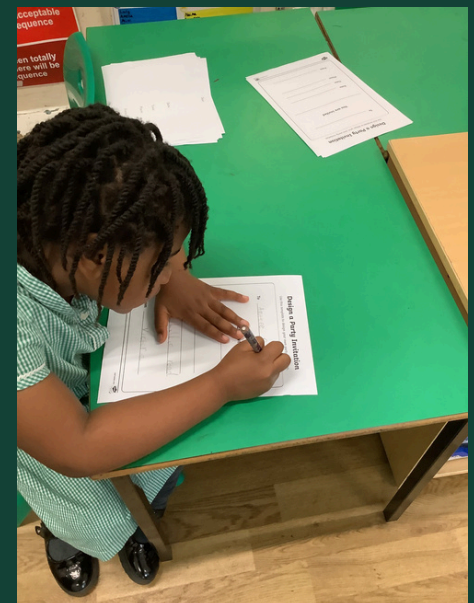
We are strengthening our fine motor skills and learning how to draw with shade and tone. We have also looked at autumn leaves and learnt how to create texture to help us draw a leaf.



Explorers

This is the time where we embed our learning by applying our skills in different ways.

Some of the activities included cutting to make vegetable people, counting the caterpillar dots, reading, applying our phonics, and learning to share and take turns.





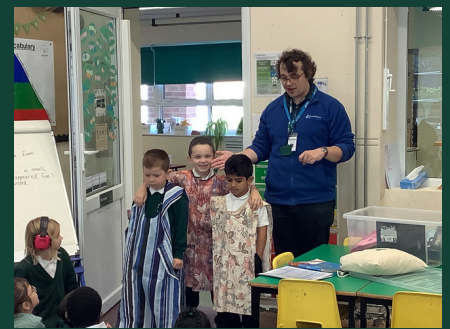
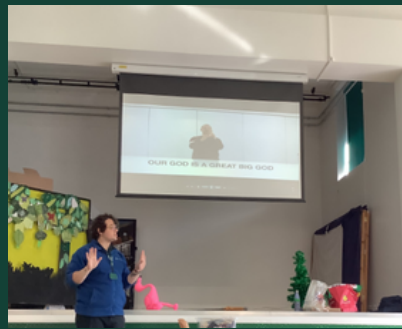
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KS1- Year 2

R.E.

This half term, Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful whole-day experience with Southampton City Mission. The children explored Christian beliefs about God through engaging stories, uplifting songs, and creative artwork.



Design & Technology (DT)

As part of our Healthy Living topic, Year 2 had an exciting week learning how to make bread rolls. We began by tasting a variety of healthy ingredients such as lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber and cheese. Then we got hands-on by mixing our ingredients, kneading the dough, and shaping our bread rolls. After baking them in the school kitchen, we added the fillings to create delicious and healthy rolls.



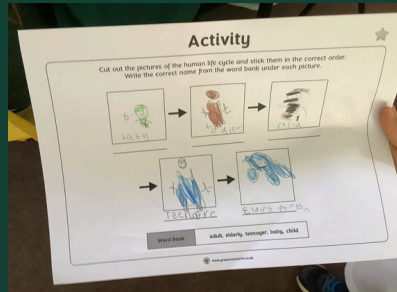


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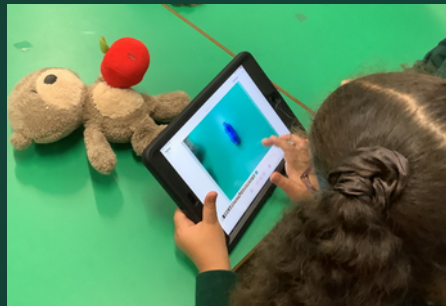
Science

This term, Year 2 have been exploring different animal groups, their offspring, and their life cycles. We've also been learning about how to stay healthy by monitoring our heart rates during exercise and understanding the importance of a balanced diet.



Computing

In computing, Year 2 became photographers! We learned key photography skills such as how to zoom in, keep a steady hand, use good lighting, and find interesting angles. The children had great fun practising these techniques and took some fantastic photos.



PE

In gymnastics, we've been building strength and flexibility by learning new positions, including the bridge pose. We've also been developing our ball skills through exciting football and basketball activities, focusing on attacking, defending, and shooting.



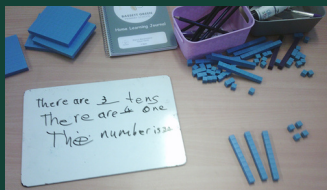
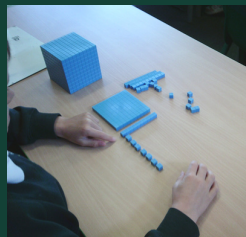
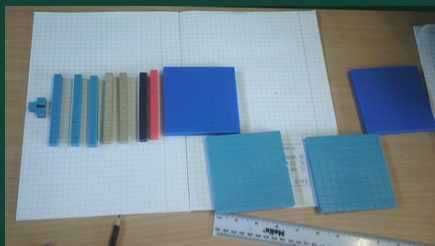
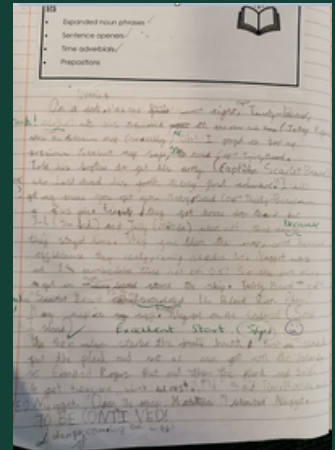


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LKS2 - Year 3

English

In English this term, we have been channelling our inner pirate. We have described a range of both good and deadly pirates in case anyone should come across them. We have also had great fun in designing a brand-new pirate story, reflecting on what imagery we wanted to include.



Maths

In Maths this half term, we have been learning about place value and how this can support us when moving onto addition and subtraction. We have become stronger at using a range of representations which has helped us in solving lots of challenges.

Science

Our science topic this half term has focused on forces including magnets. We have investigated how magnets attract and repel towards each other along with testing which materials are magnetic.



PE



In PE, we have completed a dance unit based on the Roald Dahl character of Matilda. We developed our understanding of characters and movements to create our own dance. Also, we were able to involve a prop at some stage to further enhance our dance.



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LKS2 - Year 3 continued

Geography

In Geography, we have been exploring our local area using a range of digital and physical maps. We then ventured into the local community to see how these maps were reflected in the real-life setting.



DT

Linked to our pirate topic, Year 3 have been designing and then making a moving sea monster. This used a pneumatic system, which many children were in awe of. It was great to see their ideas come to life.



Music

Also linked to our pirate topic has been our music lessons. The children have really enjoyed sharing sea shanties with one another, breaking into song several times as they walk down the corridor.





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LKS2 - Year 4

Science

This half term in science, we have been finding out about sound. We have learnt how sound travels through waves caused by vibrations. We investigated how to measure sound through decibels, which materials are best for insulating sound and which instruments create lower or higher pitch sounds.

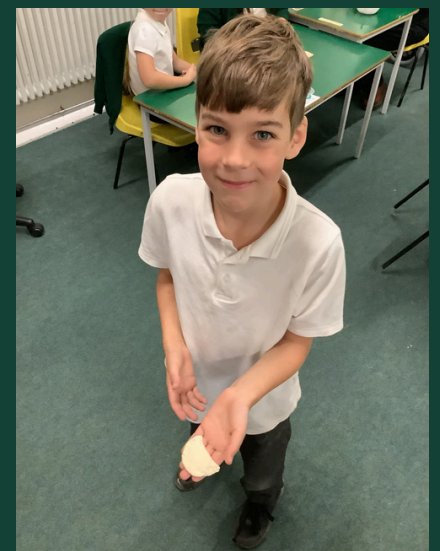


Geography

In geography, we have been learning about the continent Europe. We discussed the differences about atlas maps and globes. We learnt about differences between cities and major cities and looked at maps to locate major cities in Europe. We also used maps and keys to interpret land maps of Europe. We found out that most of Europe is low lying with some mountains.

DT

In DT we have been designing and then producing a Polish Pierogi. First, we investigated how to make the dough and what would happen if we got the wrong ratios. Then, we tasted some different varieties of pierogies before deciding on our own style and making them. They turned well and most of us enjoyed the taste!



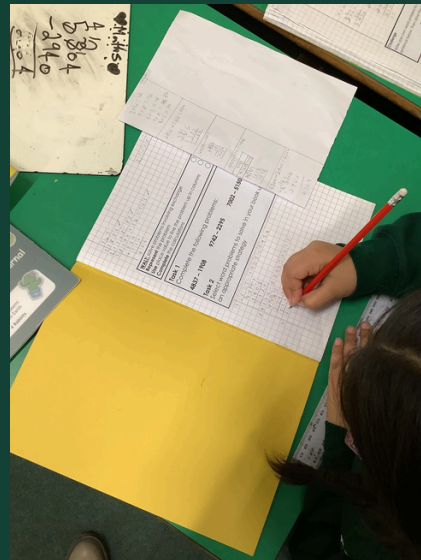
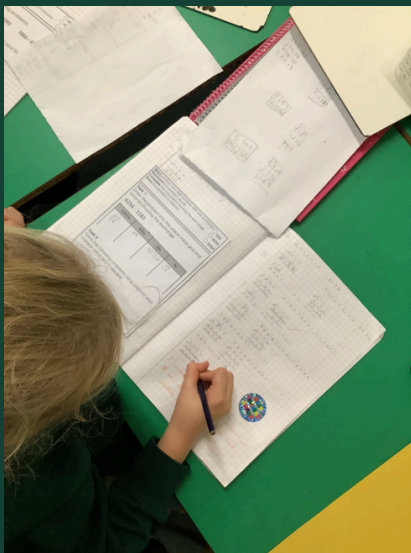


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LKS2 - Year 4 continued

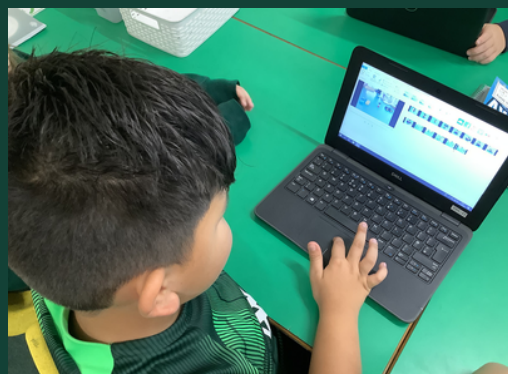
Maths

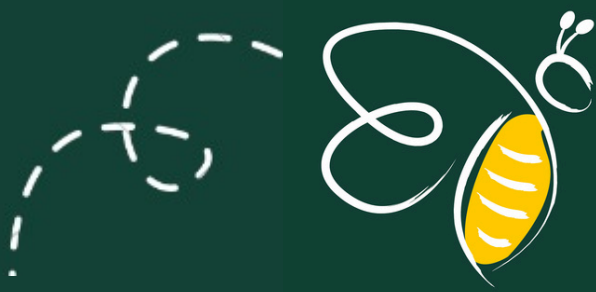
In maths we have been developing our understanding of four-digit numbers and how they are formed. We have ordered and compared numbers as well as rounded them to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. Finally, we used our knowledge to add and subtract four-digit numbers using the formal column method.



Computing

Computing has been lots of fun this half term as we have been finding out about stop motion animation. We have learnt the process for this style of animation and practised our skills before designing our own mini stop motion animation for our peers. We had to take a series of photos and then edit them together to make a sequence.



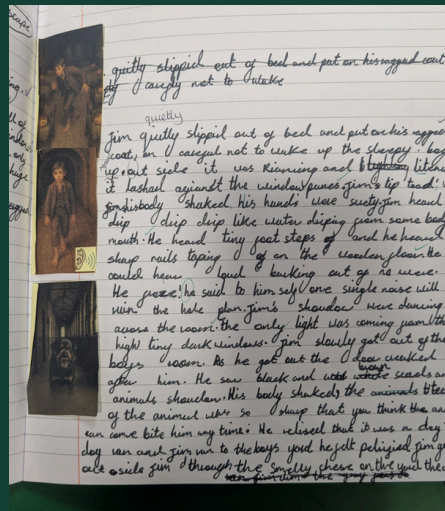
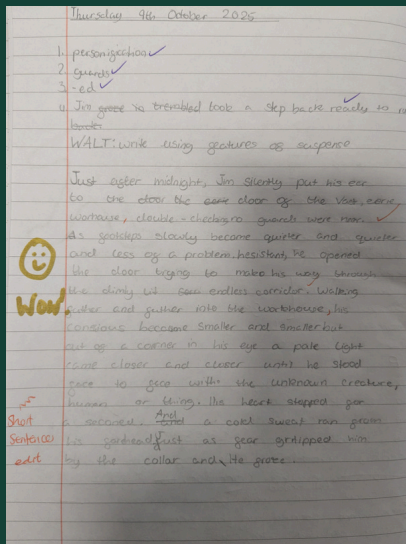
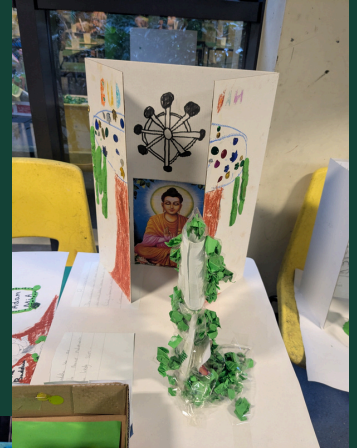


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UKS2 - Year 5

RE Pondering Time

Children loved having the freedom to research their own question about the Buddhist faith and responded creatively to what they discovered. They collated their information in power point presentations and art projects, which they then shared with the rest of the class. We were so impressed with their creativity and their confidence to present their research to their peers.



English adventure stories

We have been learning how to write engaging adventure stories focused around the book Street Child. We have loved their vocabulary choices and how they have been engaging the reader by using techniques like show not tell, short sentences and personification.

Victorian day

During Victorian day, Year 5 explored what life would be like for children at school in the Victorian era. They were shocked to discover the sort of punishments that children would receive at school!





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UKS2 - Year 5 continued

Parent reading morning

It was lovely to see so many parents join us for our reading morning in year 5 this year. Children enjoyed sharing their books with their parents and having the chance to drop everything and read in the class.



Science

In science we have been learning about space, including the apparent movement of the sun in the sky, the planets and the moon. We enjoyed estimating how shadows would move throughout the day and understanding that this happens because the earth is rotating on its axis, not because the sun is moving. We have been so impressed with the enthusiasm that children have shown for learning facts about space and the vast universe we live in.

PSHE

We have been lucky to have a visitor to do some learning about managing conflict.

Children have engaged well with the lessons and enjoyed learning techniques to recognise and manage their emotions, as well as sharing a good understanding of how they can manage conflicts with friends in a calm and fair way.





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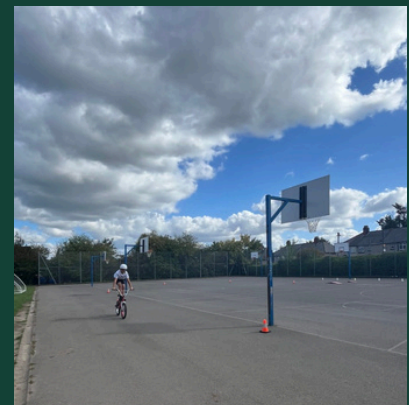
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UKS2 - Year 6

Year 6 have had a fantastic start to the school year! They have consistently shown that they are role models and look so smart in their year 6 jumpers! The House Captains were voted in by members of their house across the school and the candidates for Head and Deputy Head Boy and Girl wrote letters to Mrs Bannister about why they would be good for the job and what they could bring to the role. Lwandle and Maryam were selected as Head Boy and Head Girl. Congratulations to them both!



We had a BMX day where all children had the opportunity to build their growth mind set and to challenge themselves as well as learn some amazing stunt skills and display their Bassett best! We were especially impressed by the children in the show case.



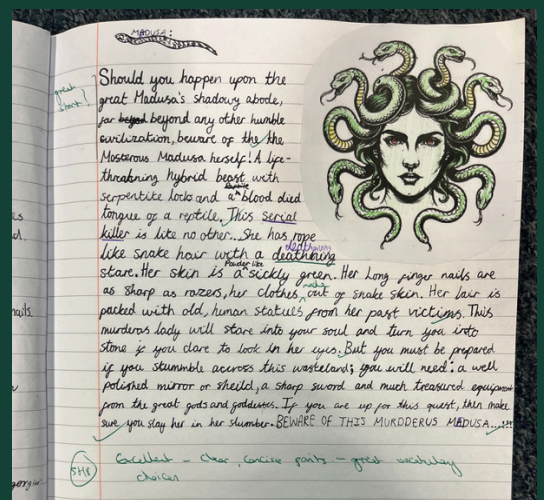
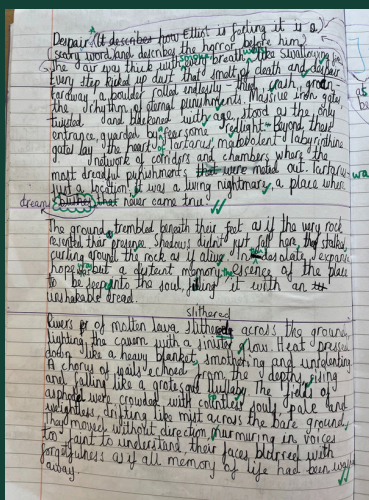
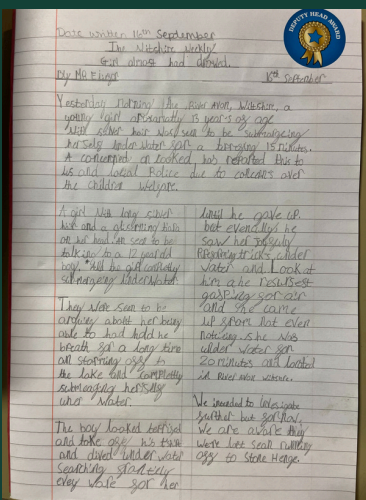
Year 6 have been incredibly lucky to receive PHSE workshops with an outside agency. Within these, they have looked at peer pressure, stereotypes and healthy relationships. They have been mature and sensible throughout and we have been really impressed by the children who have started to consider how their words and choices can impact others.



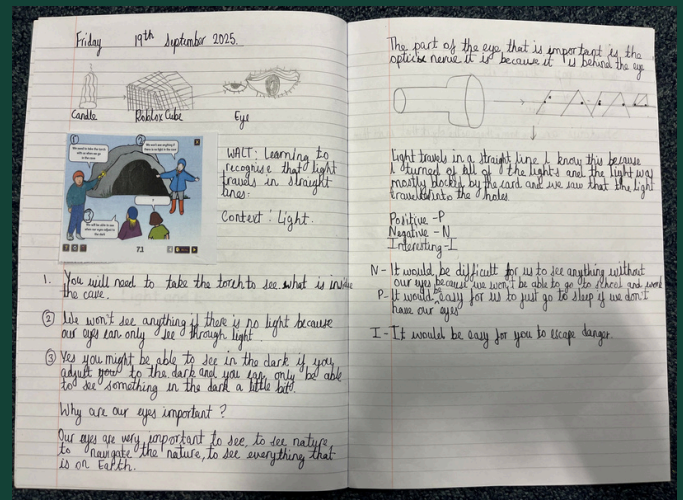
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UKS2 - Year 6 continued

Year 6 have showed great progression in their writing already this year. They have really considered the newly learnt skills and how these can be applied effectively within their writing. They have really taken the Year 6 targets in their stride and we are really proud of them.



In Science, the children have been learning about light and investigating how it travels and how shadows are formed. They have enjoyed practical sessions.



Year 6 received an African drumming workshop from an outside agency which they really enjoyed and displayed some great musical talent.