



Curriculum Highlights Autumn 2

Year R

What a busy half term!



We had a wonderful Wow Wednesday learning about Diwali. We made Divas and made firework pictures on the ground using powder paint.



When we were learning about nocturnal animals, we had some exciting visitors come to our class. We had a snake, an African land snail, a stick insect and even an owl. We got to hold and stroke lots of animals.



Another Wow Wednesday was learning about farms in the past, we made our own butter by shaking it. We then ate the butter on crackers and we even tried to milk a cow.



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We worked hard on learning songs and actions for the Wiggly Nativity. All the teachers were super proud of the children when they performed to the school and then their families.



We planned a party for Bassett Bear! We made cards and wrote invitations and had a great party at the end of the week.

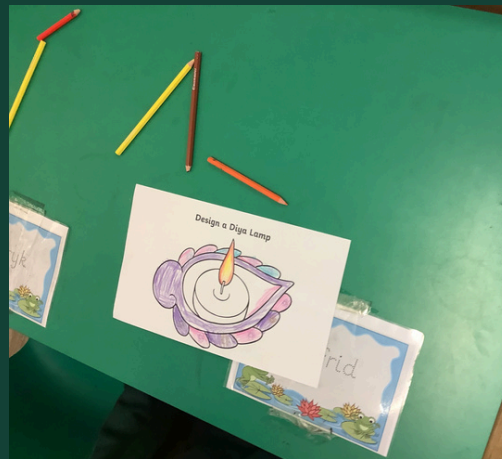
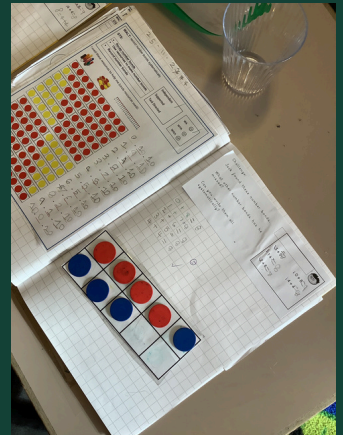
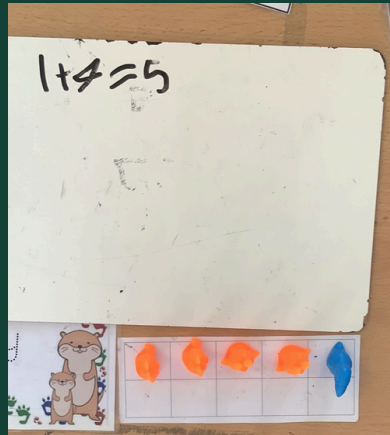


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KS1- Year 1

Maths

In Maths this half term, we have been learning all about addition. We have loved using resources such as ten frames, counters, cubes, part whole models and bears to help us add numbers up to 20.



RE

This half term in RE, we have enjoyed learning all about Diwali, Hannukah and Advent. We learnt how these festivals use candles to help remember and celebrate them. We even enjoyed lighting up our classrooms with fairy lights and tea lights!

Science

In Science this half term, we have been learning about our 5 senses and we have enjoyed taking part in activities that help us use our 5 senses. We showed great teamwork skills when completing a blindfolded maze and we especially loved tasting different foods and labelling if they were sour, sweet or salty!





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Explorers

This half term in Explorers, we have loved using our special dabber pens to improve our fine motor skills, strengthen our pencil grip and create beautiful pictures. In this example, we were counting the number of dots to complete the caterpillar. We have also enjoyed creating our own firework pictures using cardboard tubes and paint.



DT

In DT this half term, we have been learning about levers, pivots and sliders. We have enjoyed looking at a range of flip flap books before we had a go at making our own ones.





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School trip

On November 11th we travelled to Portchester Castle. Some of the highlights from the children were taking part in the 2 minute silence, the view from the top of the keep and playing the medieval game, Barley Break.



PE

We have been learning traditional dancing in PE. We learned how to start and stop with the music as well as how to dance in groups. We even got Mr Bond to join in!



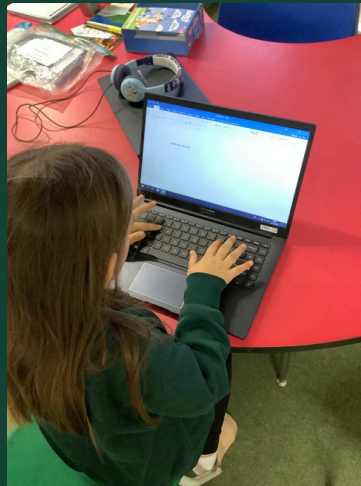


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Computing

We have been learning to type with two hands on the keyboard. We have also learnt how to make a capital letter and full stop with the shift button. Ask us to show you how!



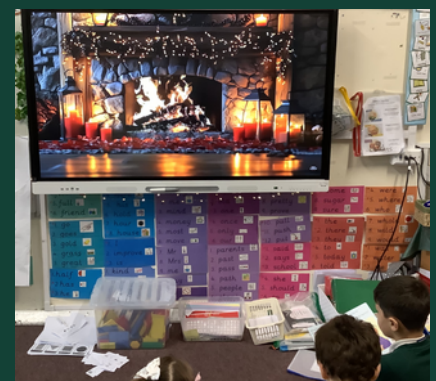
Art

We made clay castles and learnt how to join with slip and cross-hatching. We made patterns using different tools.



Reading

This half term we have enjoyed reading a range of books in our reading lessons. We love reading by the fireplace.

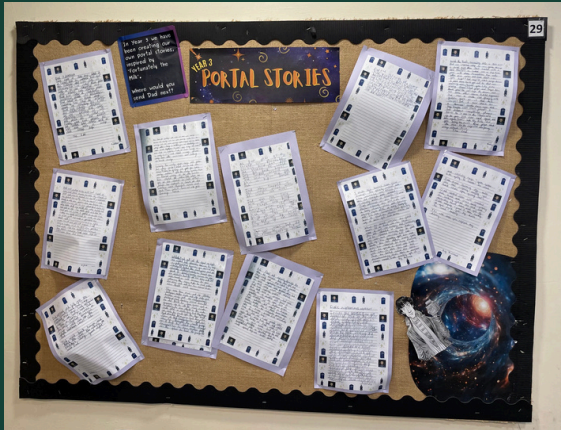




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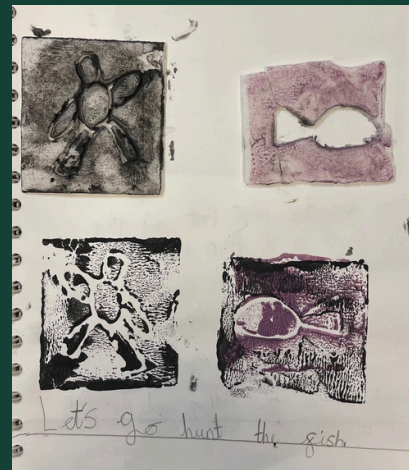
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LKS2 - Year 3



We have been learning all about The Stone Age in year 3 and have written some excellent portal stories, imagining what it would be like if we fell through a portal, landing in the Stone Age! We even created our own twists, taking our main character Dad to different settings.

We have been learning about the origins of art and discovering how Stone Age people used cave paintings to communicate messages. We have then designed our own messages which we have printed using printing techniques.



In maths we have developed our understanding of place value and addition and subtraction to understand how to use column method. Some children have even challenged themselves to answer questions which include a double exchange.

In PE this term, we have been doing our first gymnastics unit of the year. This has required us to practise lots of balances, including making use of equipment to include in our own routines. We have also been learning how to play volleyball, which has taken a lot of coordination to ensure we can get the ball to land in the opposite side of the court. This was a great way to practise our teamwork skills too.



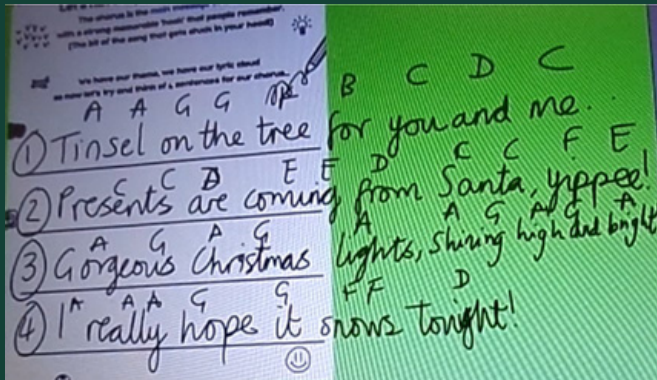


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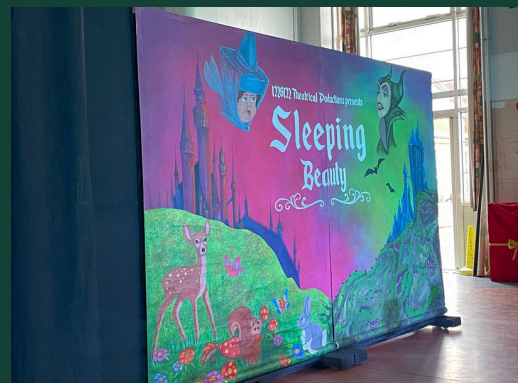
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In History we have learnt about the Stone Age. We discovered what life was like in the prehistoric past, including what they ate and how they got this food. Our trip to Butser Ancient Farm was a great way for us to immerse ourselves in this time period. Our favourite fact was learning that Britain was once joined to Europe by a land bridge called Doggerland.



In Music we have been learning some Christmas songs that we performed to our adults. We even challenged ourselves to create our own piece, incorporating lots of ideas into our finish compilation. You can hear some of this work on the school website.

We really enjoyed the pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty'. The children especially enjoyed watching Mr Bond and Mr Bastable learning dance moves from the very wicked Maleficent.

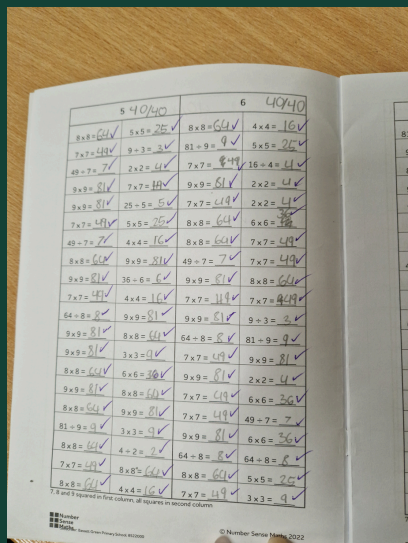




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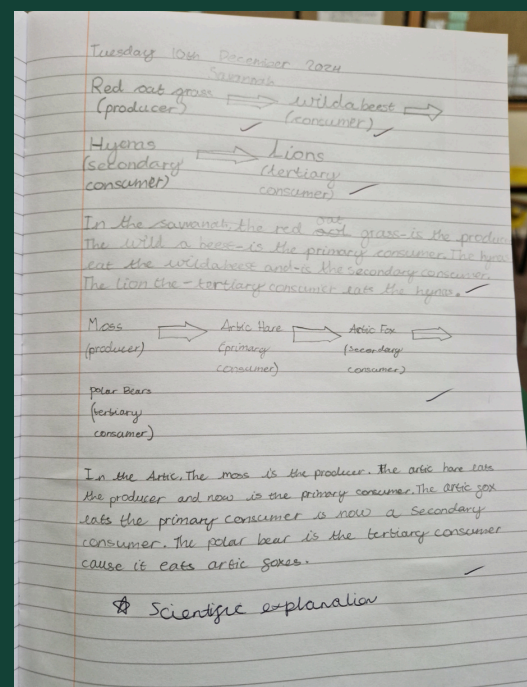
LKS2 - Year 4

This term, we have produced a non-chronological report based on the Ancient Egyptians by focusing on three main areas: Religion, mummification and hieroglyphics. We had to research, take notes and then turn those into paragraphs about each section. We were really proud of what we achieved.



In maths, we have been working hard on our times tables this half term. We have started using our new Number Sense programme to support our knowledge. Everyone has made progress with this and we are now ready to start applying our times table knowledge to solve more complex problems next half term.

We have enjoyed learning about our digestive system and our teeth. Learning about the different teeth and their functions has helped us understand food chains in different habitats.

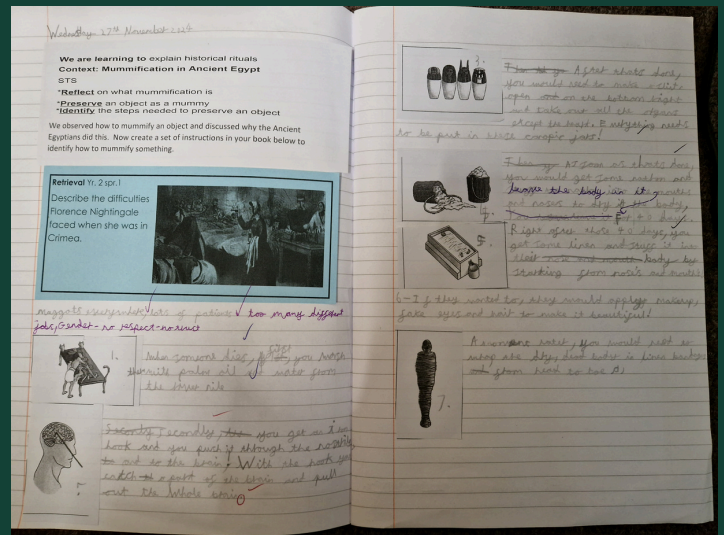




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LKS2 - Year 4 continued

History has been really interesting this half term but also a little disgusting! We have found out about the ancient Egyptians and in particular, how to mummify a body. We used this to then mummify a tomato using a very similar process to the one they used nearly 5000 years ago.



Swimming as part of our PE has been great fun. We have been learning to float, make the mushroom, front crawl and back crawl. The most important part was to learn how to stay safe in water.

In art, we progressed our sculpting skills in order to create replicas of Canopic jars. These jars were used during mummification to store the vital organs. We used the coiling technique to make the jar and a variety of different skills to sculpt the heads on top of the jars.





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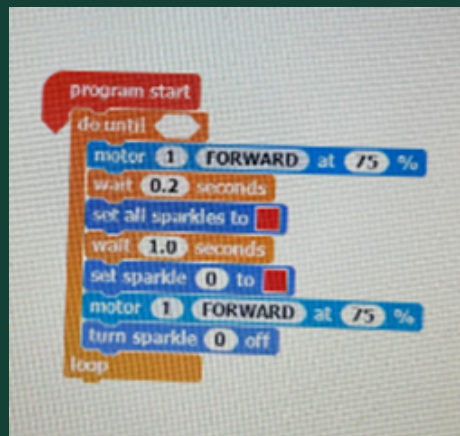
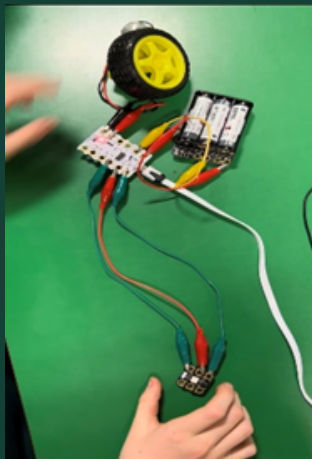
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UKS2 - Year 5



As part of our science curriculum we had the exciting opportunity to visit Cantell School and have lessons with Mr Fuge. We learned all about elements and their properties. We absolutely loved watching a jelly baby being set on fire!

In our Design and Technology lessons we have planned, designed and created our very own picture frames! We loved using the saws and the glue gun! We became quite the experts!



We have had the wonderful opportunity of having our very own Crumble computer kit. We were able to create a programme, using coding to make the crumble kit turn on lights and move motors.

During our WW2 day, we had a great time creating our own mini Anderson shelters. We discussed the massive impact this war had on families.





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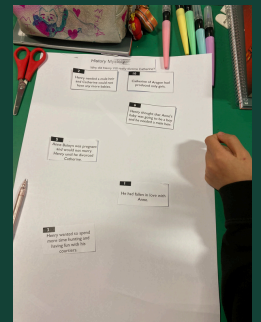
UKS2 - Year 6

We had a wonderful RE day where we explored the word 'Incarnation' and how this links to the story of Jesus and his birth for Christians.



We have had some excellent history learning and outcomes as we have learnt about the changing powers of monarchs and in particular the Tudor period. The children have enjoyed researching and finding out about how different life was under Henry VIII and Elizabeth I.

We all had a fabulous week either on residential or in school. We all made great memories, canoeing or being crowned the King and Queen of year 6 and creating their own Henry VIII portrait.



In our science learning, we have been exploring animals and their habitats. We have been classifying different animal groups.

We have enjoyed practicing our Christmas songs to get us in the mood for Christmas and our performance to our families!

We enjoyed a very fun snow day while in school. This was the best distraction from our learning but very cold and wet.

