

Beechwood Primary Academy

Weekly Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"



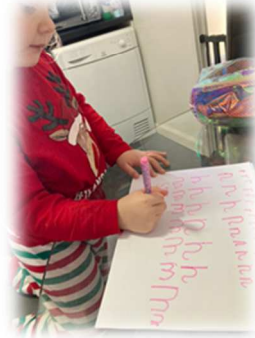
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Flutter, Cloud and Nest Classes

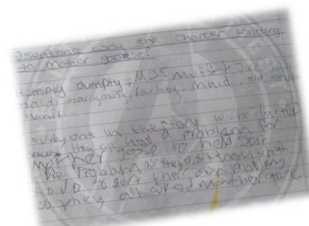
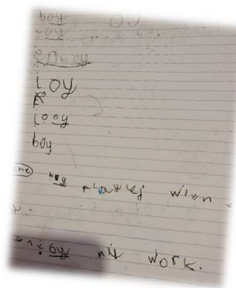
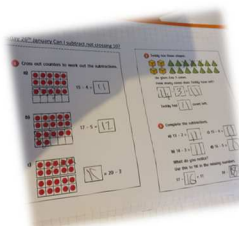


Learning about cold places

Practicing letter formation

Tower Class

This week we have been learning about toys. We have enjoyed discussing and writing about our favourite toys and talking about the toys that our parents and grandparents may have played with.



Our story this week is "Dear Mother Goose" by Michael Rosen. We have been trying hard to remember all of the characters and the letters that they wrote to Mother Goose.

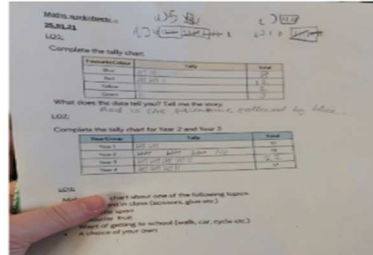
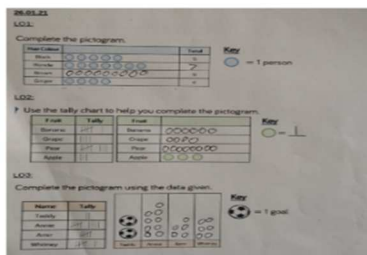


Charm and Aurora Classes

This week we have continued learning our set three sounds in Read, Write, Inc. In English we have been innovating and inventing our dragon poems. In Maths we have been learning about tally charts and pictograms and in Science we have continued learning about materials and their properties, we also completed an experiment. In History we have been learning about Castle life and the different roles people had and in RE we have continued our learning on the five pillars of Islam. Amazing work Year 2, well done.

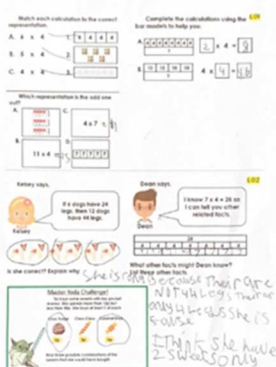
My dragon is made from candy and sweets.
Sparkled with fairy dust, all night she dances the path of sweetness.
My dragon eats sweets after cupcakes.
When she laughs red and green candy rains
ride on her breath.
My dragon has pink candy eyes - is cute - bossy and kind.
My dragon is as small as a mouse -
sprinkled winged with a soft drags shoe
as a fly.

	Can you swim?	Can you fly?	Can you breathe fire?
Water	No	No	No
Book	No	No	No
Box	No	No	No
Dragon	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jack	No	No	No



Pride and Dazzle Classes

This week we have been practicing our speech and dialogue in grammar, using our reported clauses in English for script writing and looking at the formal method of multiplication in Maths. We have also been investigating life in Ancient Egypt.

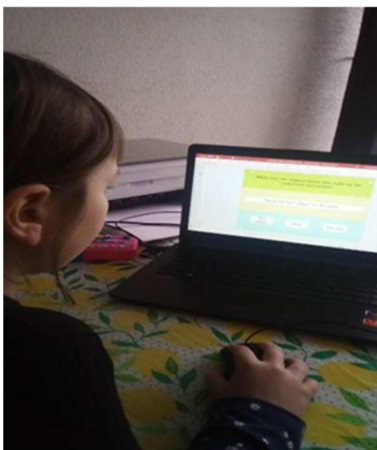


Annalise

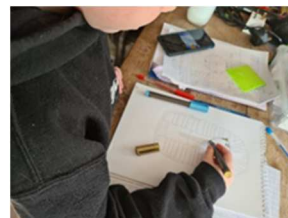
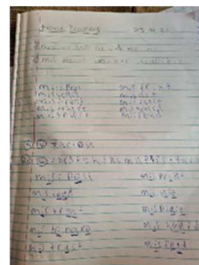


Jessica

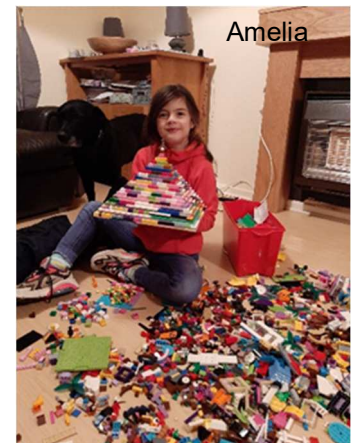
Ruby



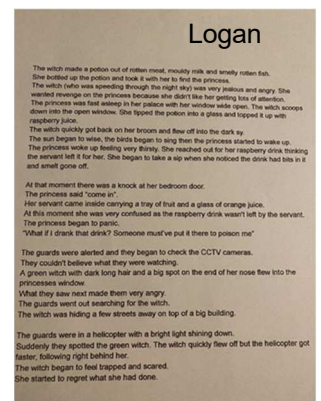
Luna



Harry

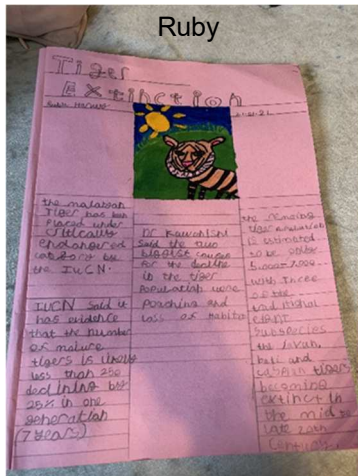


Amelia

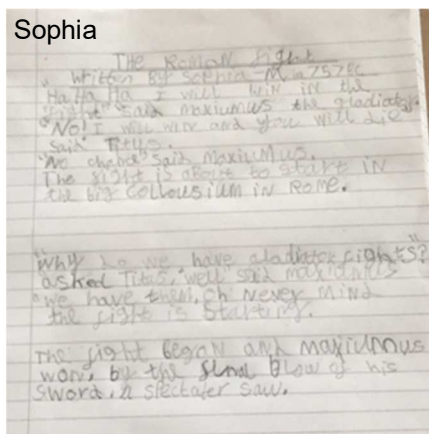


Logan

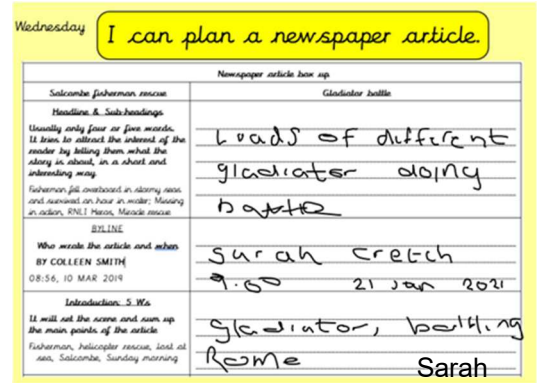
Swarm and Memory Class



Ruby



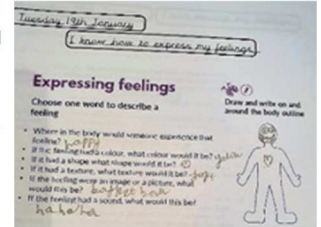
Sophia



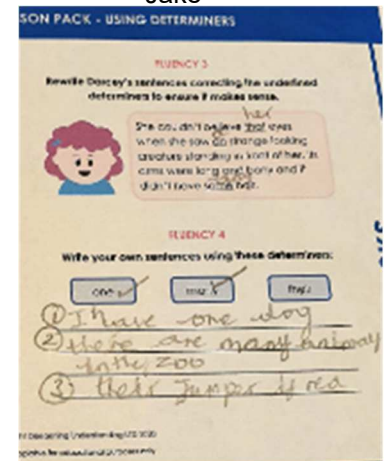
I can discuss and identify online bullying.

What devices can someone use to bully online?

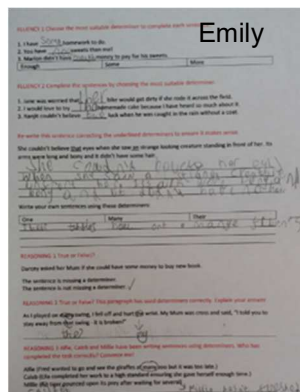
Computers
iPad
Phone



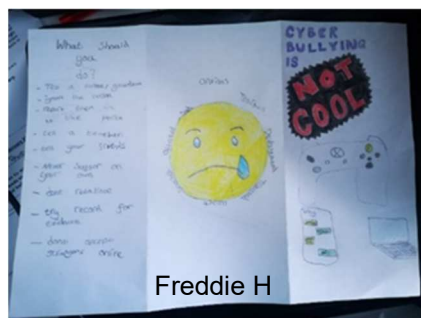
Jake



Ben



Emily



Freddie H

This week we have been learning about our feelings; how to identify them, express them and manage them. We have also been learning about being safe online and how to report misuse.

The Romans have been very present this week. The children have written a newspaper article about a gladiator battle.

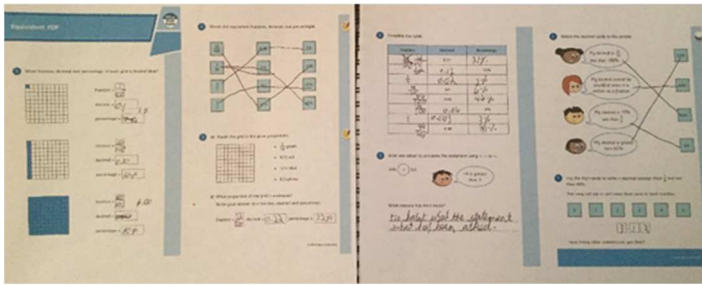
Flamboyance and Parliament Class



Year 5 have been getting creative at home and linking it to their history learning. The children were set the task of creating their own 3D version of the Titanic. They could use whatever materials were available to them at home. Some used recycled materials whilst others made cakes.

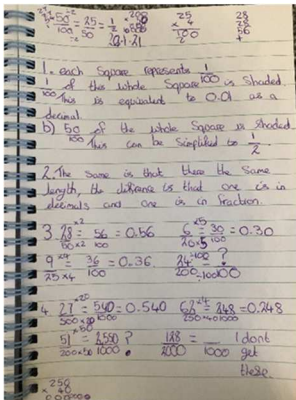


Pandemonium And Wisdom Class

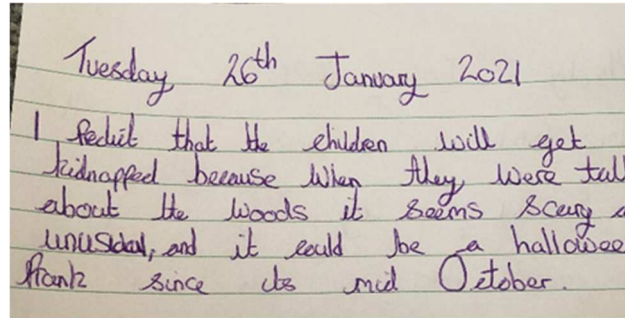


Charlie

This week we have continued to develop our descriptive writing skills. The children have worked hard to use figurative language in order to 'show the reader, not tell them' and to make their writing more engaging. In Maths, we have continued to learn about percentages and relate this to our learning about fractions and decimals. We have also explored the Creating Story in RE.

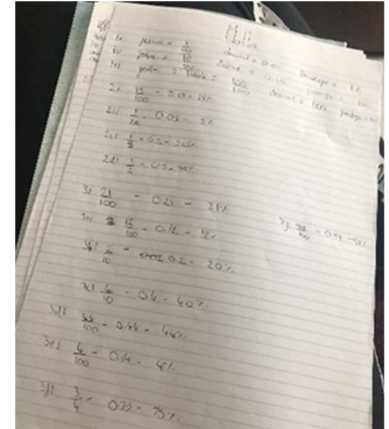


Shayla



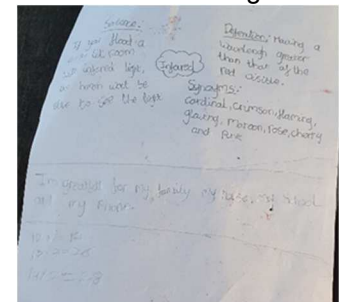
Shayla

Kira



Evie

Morgan



DIARY DATES

(These dates may be subject to change)

2020/2021

Mon 15th Feb to Fri 19th Feb - HALF TERM
Mon 22nd Feb Non Pupil Day
Fri 2nd April to Fri 16th April - EASTER BREAK
Mon 3rd May Bank Holiday
Mon 31st May Fri 4th June - HALF TERM
Mon 26th July to Tues 7th Sept - SUMMER BREAK



SCHOOL UNIFORM

A polite reminder to all children coming into school currently. Please ensure they are wearing the correct school uniform. Please see the uniform policy on our website if you are unsure. Thank you.



ON-LINE LEARNING

Information has been uploaded to our website giving help and instructions if required. This information can be found in the **Learning - Home Learning** tab using the following link to our website

www.beechwood-primary.co.uk

SCHOOL CLOSURE OVER HALF TERM

Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2021

The Department of Education has confirmed that schools will close to **ALL** children as usual over the February half-term and are not expected to remain open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers during that week. There will not be any live sessions to eschools learning set for that week.

Thank you.



Also on our website under the **Learning - Useful links for educational website** tab, we have added some useful links to educational learning information such as BBC Bitesize that may compliment learning if required. If you require any information about logging onto e-schools or Tapestry, or any information about your child's learning while they are away from school, please do not hesitate to contact the school office who can make sure your query is directed to the teacher.

Thank you.



We wanted to let you know we're relaunching [Sustrans Outside In](https://www.sustrans.org.uk/Outsideln), a free resource to help parents who are looking after their children at home.

[Sustrans Outside In](https://www.sustrans.org.uk/Outsideln) provides fun ideas and inspiration for parents to bring education, health and wellbeing activities into their home.

Parents can access resources by registering for our free parent newsletter. Over four weeks, you will receive weekly videos, themed activities, games and challenges designed by our experienced school officers.

Please use the following link to the subscription page. www.sustrans.org.uk/Outsideln

Show support on social media, share the news using the hashtag #SustransOutsideIn or use the suggested media posts.



We are delighted to announce that Sustrans **Big Pedal** is back for another exciting schools challenge.

It will run for 10 days between **19 and 30 April 2021** and is open to all primary and secondary schools in the UK, including SEN schools.

Children will be able to take part whether they are travelling to school or learning remotely. As well as active journeys to school, 30 minutes of physical activity and exercise taken from home will count as one journey in the challenge this year.

We will email you when the registration site opens, watch out and save the date!

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, get in touch at education@sustrans.org.uk

COVID TESTING

I am sure that parents are aware that Primary school staff now have the opportunity to undertake Lateral Flow testing to help identify those who may be carriers of Covid-19, but who are asymptomatic (are not unwell nor have symptoms). All of our school now have this in place, and whilst there may be some adjustments that are needed to our learning provisions, this gives further confidence in the safety of our settings.

As the availability of these tests increases it is important that we all understand that if you or your child has symptoms of Covid-19 that you should book a PCR test immediately, not take a Lateral Flow Test. If this is not done it can delay results, putting more people at risk. Additionally, we have been asked to remind everyone that a PCR test should only be booked **if you have symptoms**, as Public Health are finding that more people are doing this incorrectly, clogging up the system to those who need tests.

I know that we are all worried and want to ensure the safety of those we love, but I'm confident that with the combination of following guidelines from Public Health, the increase in preventative testing and the rollout of immunisations, our schools and communities will remain as safe as they can be. Thank you.

Have a great weekend!
Mrs Evans - Head of School

COVID-19 INFORMATION PAGE

CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as possible.



Catch it! Bin it! Kill it!

We are entering the cold and flu season and with the current situation regarding Covid 19, it is even more important that children remember the Catch it! Bin It! Kill it! routine.

This, along with regular handwashing throughout the day is a vital way to reduce the transmission of infection, not only for Covid but also colds and flu during these challenging times.

Please reinforce the Catch it! Bin It! Kill it! routine with your children at home.

Thank you.



If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste

This could be a sign of
coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

These are
not normally symptoms of
coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP

NHS APP

The new NHS Covid19 app is now available to download.

This app is available for anyone **aged 16 years and above**. Please follow the link for further information.

<https://covid19.nhs.uk/pdf/introducing-the-app.pdf>

DFE HELPLINE FOR EDUCATION

The DfE have set up a helpline for Education advice regarding the Covid-19 virus for staff and parents.

Phone : 0800 046 8687

Email : DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours : 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

COVID TESTING - CALL 119

If parents or carers are unable to book a local Covid test slot, then they can use the email below explaining that the test is for a child attending a Plymouth school. The CCG team will triage those families with children and adults with symptoms and book them in for a test and provide information on how to get to the site. A priority is given to key worker parents, to help support the local key worker workforce and get staff back to work.

d-ccg.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net



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<https://www.yourschoolgames.com/> <http://www.plymouthssp.co.uk/>

