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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Council Comic Relief fundraising



So much fun and excitement has been had today for Comic Relief! Not only were we very entertained by the brilliantly colourful and extravagant hairstyles on display, but the incredible amount of money raised meant that nearly every teacher 'enjoyed' a good gunging! (Despite the efforts of many to get their colleagues in the firing line and avoid it themselves – not mentioning any names (MR GAWTHORPE and MR THORNTON!))

These are just a few of the whacky creations and 'dunkings' that helped us raise a whopping £1250 for Comic Relief.



A huge thank you to all our parents for your extraordinary generosity and to our amazing staff for being such good sports.



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Science week



We have been celebrating British Science Week 2023 with this year's theme being 'connections with STEM careers'. The whole school has had a wonderful time carrying out different investigations to do with amazing astronomers, marvellous medics and hydropower engineers. In addition to this, each class has had a visit from one of our amazing parent volunteers, talking about how they use STEM subjects in their everyday work. We were overwhelmed with the amount of support we have received from parents offering their time to come in & inspire our children about careers in STEM. The children have learned about engineering Formula 1 racing cars, offshore wind development, dentistry, animal conservation, pharmaceuticals and many, many more! We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all of you. If you would like to continue our Science Week Celebrations at home, I have attached some EGG-CITING experiments for you to try....

Miss H Flaherty



Headteacher Awards

We were joined by Reverend Mike for another entertaining Collective Worship (thank you Leon and Tilly for your participation) before the largest amount of awards so far were then given out! This week there was a range of awards for poetry, fiction writing, art as well as brilliant attitudes to learning and friendship. Well done everyone!

Parent visits

Thank you to all parents for taking the time to join us in school recently, whether for Reception stay and plays, parent lunches, reading on World Book day, children's class collective worships, supporting visits, swimming or Science week and much more!! It's great to have you in school!

Website review

Thank you to everyone who has completed the school website review. The responses I have received so far are really helpful and will start to form the planning for our new website. Some of the suggestions, such as the menu of the current website, I will start to tweak on the current site to improve what we have. We really want the website to work for you. So that you can find the



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information you want quickly and as a way for us to connect with you and share the excitement of school. The new website will be built with you in mind, so please have your say at this early planning stage. The form can be found at this [link](#). The survey closes next Friday at 11am. Thank you in advance for your contributions and I look forward to working with you to make our website useful and engaging for you.

Support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

It has been great to meet with many parents to discuss concerns they have for their child and I would continue to encourage you to speak with class teachers if you have not done so yet. In order to give you a clear means of communication with me as SENDCo I have set up a new email address, sendco@allsaintsilkeley.bradford.sch.uk. This email address can be provided to any professionals that may be supporting your child outside of school such as doctors, Educational Psychologists or paediatricians. I would also encourage you to use this email address to contact me directly if you would like to seek support and I will liaise with the class teacher.

Stuart Gawthorpe
Deputy Headteacher and SENDCo

News from EYFS



This week the children have been utilising their practical skills in our new woodwork area outside. The children have absolutely loved learning how to hammer nails, saw wood and attach things together in a



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variety of ways. We have ensured that an adult is with them when they have been using the saw. The children have shown that they can access these resources safely and carefully. Well done reception! We have also been continuing our learning about fairy tales and in particular, Jack and the beanstalk. The children have created their own gigantic beanstalks out of materials such as, wire, paper and clay. It has been wonderful to see parents in school and enjoying the learning with their children. Thank you so much for coming into school. The children have really loved every minute of it. The children also enjoyed listening to a parent, who is a dentist, talk about how to look after their teeth. It was such fun.

News from KS1

If you haven't already walked past, here is a fantastic selection of our Year 1 and 2's artwork displayed in the window of the Grove Bookshop. The children



loved drawing and creating portraits of their Mummy to celebrate Mothers' Day. We hope you all get spoilt on Sunday.

In Year 1, the children have been learning about a famous woman in history, Mary Anning. We have been digging for fossils and we discussed what attributes a good palaeontologist must uphold. We decided that you must have be very hard-working, patient as well as fit and healthy!





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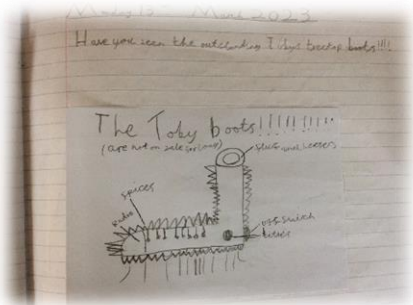
Year 2 have been looking at landmarks in both Australia and the UK. In art, they created their own landmarks using a variety of materials.



Both Year 1 and 2 enjoyed welcoming scientists into their classrooms this week.

News from LKS2

Year 3:



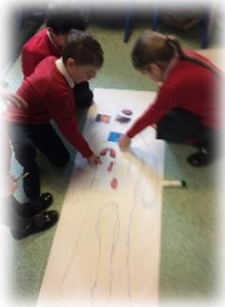
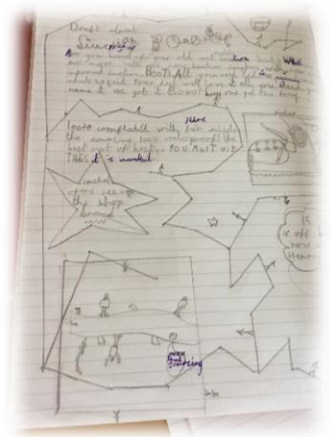
Over the last few weeks in year 3, we have been busy with our learning and taking journeys through the Victorian period to shrinking down to the size of a Minpin.



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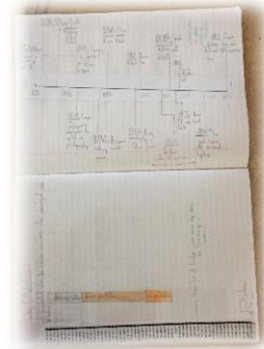
Our text focus in English, has us discovering the world of the Minpins and venturing into the Forest. This week, we have been developing our advertising skills and helping Dom Mini to design and persuade the Minpins through an advert to buy our Suction Boots. We came up with some great designs and are now drafting our adverts to persuade Dom Mini that ours is the Best!



This week, as you may know is science week, and we have been developing our enquiry skills further looking at the human body and finding out all about the jobs people take to specialise in a certain part of the body. The children were fascinated about the cardiologist and how they look after the heart.



We continued our learning in our History topic where we were challenged to put the events of the Victorian period in chronological order. We created a timeline of history periods we knew putting ourselves on showing the present day.



We have been working hard in Art exploring our new topic 'Printing' and discovering the works of William Morris. This week the children explored the details in flowers and used tracing paper to begin replicating their drawings.





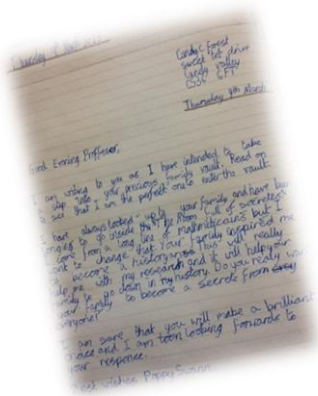
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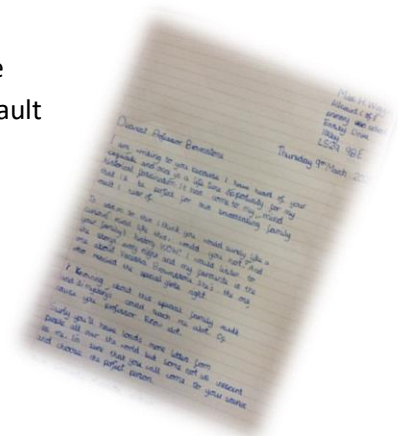


Year 4:

The last two weeks has seen us sharing our learning with buddy classes, and even persuading our teachers to unlock the vault.



During English lessons we have been using the power of persuasion to write a letter to the Vault master to allow us to enter and discover the treasures inside. We had some extremely successful persuasive children so parents beware!



Like other year groups, we have been celebrating Science Week and making 'Connections'. We explored the world of our bodies and made links to the specialists that help us to 'help ourselves' and keep our bodies functioning. We enjoyed exploring the different organs and how they are connecting.

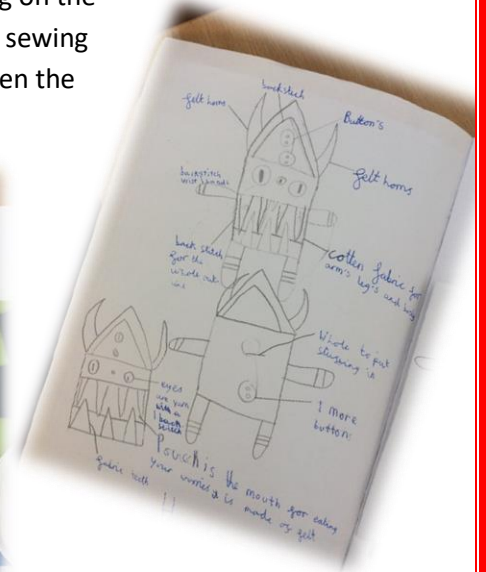




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During our design and Technology projects this week we have been working on the Design stage and have started to make our designs. We are developing our sewing skills learning to persevere when threading a needle and being resilient when the thread comes off the needle



News from UKS2

Our last two weeks have been fun-packed with many things going on. Earlier this week, 6B produced an excellent Collective Worship, open for parents/carers to attend, and even gave a musical performance to them in class, afterwards – well done 6B!

Last week saw year 5 engage in a rail safety talk, while all of year 5/6 had the opportunity to have a fun online session on Mathematics, as part of World Maths day.

Over the past days, as part of Science week, classes will have the opportunity to learn from a range of adults, who are giving up their time to talk to us about their work in the sciences. 6T received a really inspiring talk from Mr Stoker, who discussed the scientific links to his job, working for the Formula One Red Bull team. What a great opportunity!

School Council



The year 5 children took part in a Rail Safety awareness presentation, delivered by the Leeds United Foundation. The children showed outstanding behaviour throughout and learned some important lessons about being safe around trains and railways.



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Our knowledge of British Sign Language (BSL) has been thoroughly developed with the interactive workshop today. The children enjoyed their experience and have learned some valuable new skills, including the alphabet and simple conversations.



School Orchestra

Our community link with the Two Rivers Band continues to flourish as we welcome them into our school to help our KS2 musicians create an orchestra. The children are thriving on their expertise and already our pieces are sounding fantastic. Watch this space for invites to a small concert next half term.





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All Saints' Sport Supplement

A huge well done to all who participated in our home cross-country two Saturdays ago. We had an incredible turn out, across all year groups, with great effort being shown by all. You did All Saints' proud! Further congratulations to all those who were individual or team certificate winners.

This week's sporting hero is Richard Fosbury, an American high jumper who invented the 'Fosbury Flop'. His technique of jumping backwards over the bar is now used by pretty much all athletes the world over. Prior to the 1968 Olympics, athletes generally used the 'scissor kick' technique, which didn't allow athletes to jump as high. His innovative technique won him the Gold Medal at the Mexico City Olympics. Unfortunately, he died this week, aged 78. Despite this sad news, he certainly leaves an amazing legacy.



Next week, we have a special sporting visitor attending. England U21 football star, Bex Raynor, will be coming in on Thursday (23rd) to speak to us about her career and how she became a professional athlete. In addition, she will be spending time with all our children, with each year group having the opportunity to take part in a fitness session with her. We are sure a great time will be had!

Henry Wood-Robertson (Sport Council)

Cross Country

Thank you to everyone who supported the All Saints' Cross Country event on Saturday 4th March. It was a fantastic turnout and the children did us proud. We look forward to seeing everyone at the KS2 relay races at Nell Bank tomorrow.

Parent survey

We know parents are unsure sometimes about how and when they can contact their child's class teacher. At the start of the day, the teachers are usually focused on settling the children into their learning. At the end of the day at collection time, when teachers have released the children, they would welcome parents to approach them to discuss any quick issues. Otherwise please do contact the office to pass on messages or to make an appointment for a longer discussion at a mutually convenient time.

Diary Dates

Please check out the updated list of diary dates below to ensure you know the important dates for your child.

Wishing everyone a great weekend.

Helen Dunn



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DIARY DATES

DIARY DATES (Spring Term)	Date
Nell Bank Cross Country Relays	18/03/2023
Yr4 Big Sing – Kings Hall	22/03/2023
Yr3 Walk around Ilkley and Toy Museum visit	27/03/2023
Yr4 Leeds Museum visit	28/03/2023
Yr5/6 Bradford Schools Prom visit – day	28/03/2023
Yr5/6 Bradford Schools Prom performance - evening	28/03/2023
Reception Spring Show for Parents/Carers – school hall 9.20am	31/03/2023
School closes for Easter holidays	31/03/2023
School re-opens – 8.50am	17/04/2023
Yr5 Parent Lunches	w/c 17/04 & 24/04
Yr5 Ilkley Town Crier visit	19/04/2023
2M Collective Worship for Parents/Carers – school Hall 9.00am	28/04/2023
Bank Holiday Monday – May Day	01/05/2023
Yr3 Harlow Carr visit	04/05/2023
Bank Holiday Monday – Coronation	08/05/2023
Yr6 Sats Week	09-12/05/2023
Yr2 Sats Week	w/c 15/02/2023
4H Collective Worship for Parents/Carers – school hall 9.00am	16/05/2023
Class Photos	18/05/2023
Yr6 IGS Roadshow pm	26/05/2023
School closes for half term	26/05/2023
School re-opens – 8.50am	12/06/2023