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Dear Parents and Carers,
Across school, we have had a wonderful day focusing on Hinduism and the festival of Diwali. Our day started brilliantly with a visitor from Peterborough Mandir leading a whole school assembly. It was great to hear about his religion, beliefs and traditions. We even tried some mindfulness and mediation.

Back in class, we have enjoyed a range of activities to deepen our knowledge and understanding of Hinduism. This learning has included; learning the story of Rama and Sita, making Diya lamps, lanterns and rangoli patterns. We have learnt about the Hindu place of worship and Hindu Gods. Year 5 and 6 had a great time baking and tasting coconut barfi which is a traditional sweet treat. It has been an excellent, hands-on day which the children have thoroughly enjoyed.

I wish you all a wonderful half term and I look forward to welcoming you back into school on Tuesday 5th November.

Best Wishes,
Mr Simmons

School Noticeboard

October 2024

25th Professional Day (school closed)

Half Term 28/10 - 01/11

November 2024

2nd Fireworks Night

4th Professional Day (school closed)

5th School open

w/c11th Anti Bullying Week

12th Yr3 Flag Fen Dig-it Day

13th Yr4 Sportshall Athletics

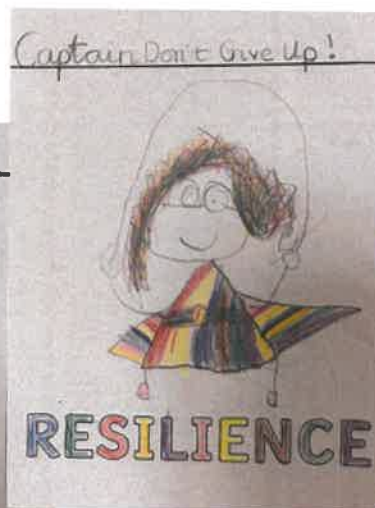
15th Children In Need

19th Flu Vaccinations

22nd Non Uniform Day for hamper donations

Whole School Attendance for the Week

96%



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Stars of the Week

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| Van Gogh | Larissa | For super independent work in reading and writing this week. Well done! |
| Kandinsky | Thomas | For using your listening ears and kind hands all week. You have made such progress. Well done! |
| Donaldson | Finn | For completing some super maths work this week during our subtraction unit. Fantastic work! |
| Bond | Edward | For working really hard on your Mehndi pattern and adding lots of detail. We were very impressed. Well done! |
| Farriner | Finley | For consistently doing his best and always being ready to learn. You created a super bridge in science this week and then you helped others afterwards. What a great role model and friend you are. Well done! |
| Cavell | Nina | For brilliant concentration during carpet times. You consistently listen and contribute during class discussions with great ideas and relevant comments. |
| Lovelace | Theo | For a fantastic effort in all lessons, you are making great progress. Well done! |
| Turing | Maria | For being a focused and motivated learner all half term. You listen carefully, always finish tasks to your highest standard and are incredibly helpful. |
| Tesla | Zac | For being so kind and caring, both inside and outside of the classroom. Well done! |
| Newton | Harry | Massive improvement and hard work this week showing respect and responsibility - Well done. |
| Collins | Julia | For being a caring, hard working, supportive member of our class - always a pleasure to teach 😊 |
| Jemison | Jensen | For incredible progress with his handwriting and earning a pen licence! |
| Hawking | Jeremy | For amazing arithmetic skills - you are a mathematical superstar! |
| Galileo | Erin | For great writing and maths work - and Maya craft, your help was appreciated! |

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Reception

This week in Reception we have continued to have a focus on The Colour Monster. We have had a focus on two different emotions: anger and calm. We have thought about different situations when we have had these feelings, and things we might do when we feel these types of ways.

Our bee challenge this week has been to decorate a colour monster. The children have shown perseverance, greater accuracy, and they tried their best.

In Maths we have been using our fast eyes to subitise (knowing what the number is without counting) and using our fingers to show the numbers in different ways. We have continued to look at the composition of 4 and how 4 can be represented in different ways.

Please see the phonics newsletter for more information about the sounds/tricky words that we have been learning this week.

After half term the children will be having a go at making binoculars to go on a bear hunt. Any spare tubes you have at home would be greatly appreciated!



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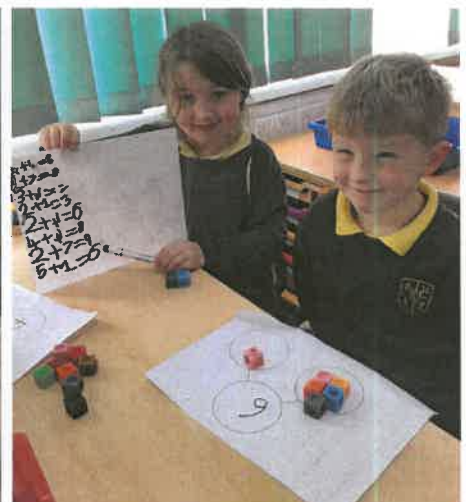
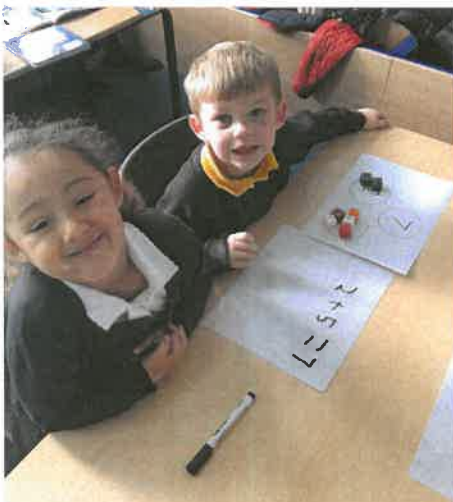
Year 1

We have had another great week in Year 1 and the children should be proud of all of their hard work this half term. In English, the children have been learning to recite a Bonfire night poem and answering questions about the text. After half term they will be writing their own Bonfire Night poems using a range of adjectives.

In Maths, the children have continued to solve addition and subtraction problems up to 20 and have been finding the difference between 2 numbers.

We rounded the week off with our Hinduism day where we focused on Diwali. The children enjoyed making lanterns, re-telling the Rama and Sita story, learning a Hindu dance and making Mehndi patterns.

After half term our topic will be celebrations and in History we will be focusing on toys. We hope you all have a lovely half term and the children enjoy a well earned rest!



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Year 2

What a brilliant first half term Year 2 have had! It has been a pleasure getting to know all of the children and to see how far they have come already! They have worked so hard and definitely deserve a break!

We've had a lovely, but busy final week. In Science we enjoyed applying our knowledge of materials to help us create a strong bridge for a toy car to travel across. In Art we created beautiful paintings of flowers in the style of Georgia O'keeffe. We loved participating in the whole school R.E. day to learn about Hinduism and the festival of Diwali. We learnt about the Rama and Sita story, created lanterns, designed our own mehndi patterns and learnt a Diwali dance. We have also finished learning about Judaism and look forward to learning about Islam next half term.



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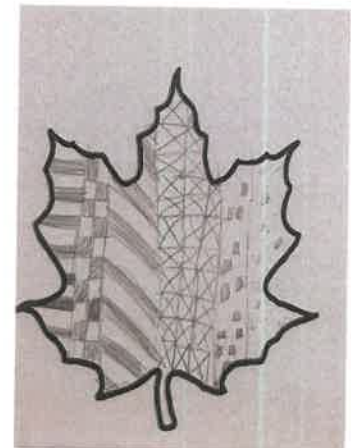
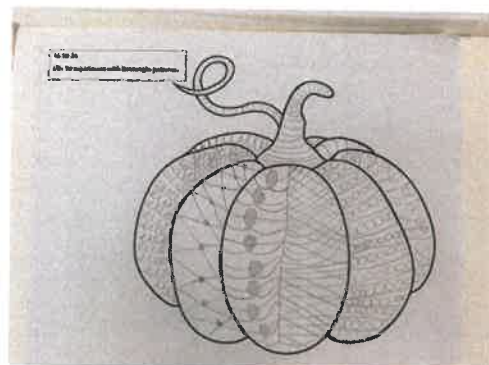
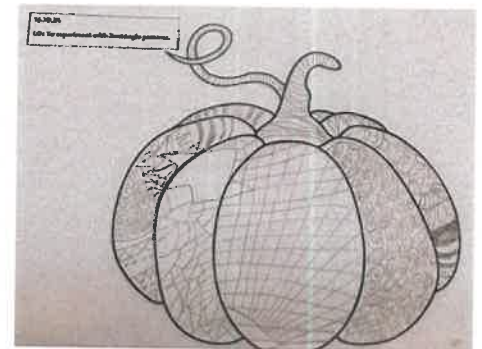
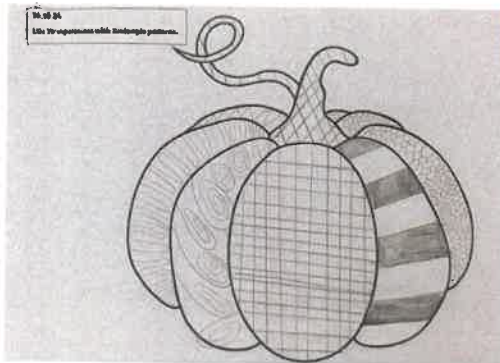
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Year 3

What a fantastic first half term the children have had in Year 3. They have settled in really well, worked hard and are ready for a well-deserved break!

In maths this week, the children have been looking at different methods to add and subtract numbers in the hundreds, including using known number facts. In English, we have been writing a setting description of a scene in the short film, The Clock Tower, using descriptive language to create imagery. We were so impressed with this wonderful writing! In computing, the children have continued coding by using buttons to create click-events and in art this week the children have completed zentangles by adding geometric patterns to seasonal outlines. Thursday this week was Hinduism Day, in which the children learned about Hindu traditions and beliefs. They also created rangoli patterns using tissue paper, which we have displayed on our classroom windows.

I am sure you will agree that they look fantastic! It has been lovely to speak to you all in our parent consultations this week and we would like to thank you for all your support this half term. Have a relaxing half term and we will see you again on 5th November!



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Year 4

A lovely final week of the term in year 4, with the children working hard, but also having some fun experiences.

In English the children have spent the week learning about the features of a newspaper report. They have then done their own newspaper article about the whale in the Thames. They all loved completing this.

Science this week was mainly an outside activity where the children learned about living things, then using cameras they went outside to photograph any living things they could find. The children were great at sharing the cameras and took some nice photographs.

Finally, we had our Hinduism day, learning about Hinduism and doing some Rangoli patterns artwork.

Below are some pictures of our science lesson.



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Year 5

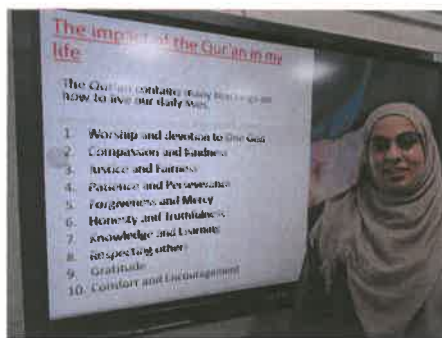
Wow this half term has flown by! It was lovely to meet all the children's parents this week and be able to share all the positive things about our terrific children.

Year 5 have worked super hard again this week! We were very grateful to Mrs Hussain for giving up her time to speak to the children about how the Qur'an helps her in her life. Next half term we will move onto our Hinduism topic and are arranging a trip to a Hindu Mandir...more information will follow.

We ended our hockey unit with fantastic matches between the boys and in year 5 and the girls separately. Fabulous sportsmanship was shown by all and their skills were impressive! Next half term we will move onto dance and yoga, still on a Monday and Wednesday.

Today year 5 enjoyed learning about the different Hindu deities and the coconut barfi was enjoyed in recognition of sweet treats being shared at the festival of diwali.

We wish you all a fabulous half term and look forward to seeing you all after the holiday. Stay safe and remember although Spelling Shed will change spellings next Tuesday, the ones we will test on are the ones on the sheet this week.



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Year 6

Our first half term in our final year has passed already! What a busy one it has been with sporting events, cycling and this week finding out lots about Maya civilization. We have been shown lots of Maya artefacts by Dr Diane Davies via a video link. She told us all about life as an archaeologist too. One of our favourite things the Maya did was create hot chocolate - although theirs would not have been as sweet as ours!

Our science experiment looking at microbes has now come to an end - some of our predictions were correct but there were a few surprises too. Take a look at the outcomes! We have been looking at adaptation in plants and animals this week too. In art we added watercolours to our still life pictures.

After half term we will be focussing on remembrance poetry in preparation for our participation in the remembrance service, at the war memorial at church, on Monday 11th November. Have a good half term!

