

NEWSLETTER



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- Use this for any queries about any additional learning needs or concerns.



homelearning@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

- During this period of home learning teachers are providing work using Google Classroom.



Covid19care@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

- Use this to discuss our Emergency Care provision



Newsletter@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

- Use this to send us anything you'd like put in the newsletter. This can be photos, learning, resources and any good news stories you may have.

Useful links

<https://homelearning.woodhouse.academy>

Additional learning resources and activities.

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/parental-assistance>

Our new parental assistance page with plenty of avenues of support.

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/school-news>

Up to date school news.

School is closed to ALL children from the 15th – 19th February for half term.

All remote learning and emergency care provision will recommence on Monday 22nd February.

Some Google forms for you to fill out please where appropriate.

Photo Consent

Thank you to everyone who has completed this already. If you haven't done so, can you please complete this form.

<https://forms.gle/JG9HYxdhShp3qtBg8>

Complete the form to give information about mobile internet access, which, school can support with

<https://forms.gle/smK53aJqzdNEgeZ49>

Complete this form to ask for help with devices

<https://forms.gle/9fwsf6mwmCgvGWVA9>

We have loaned out close to 100 devices at present for use with home learning. We've had devices from government funding, staff and community donations as well as repurposed school devices.

We have a list of children and families that we will endeavour to support with devices for online learning but at present the list is larger than the number of devices we have. If you are in need of support with this, fill out the form above and we will do what we can to support you.

We are able to repurpose most unwanted devices into Chromebooks for children to use. If you are able to support us with this, please contact families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk any donations would be put to good use.

Dear parents/carers,

I want to once again thank you all for the continued support and encouragement given over this last half term. You and your families have been amazing in coping with such a challenging time and I want to pay tribute to every child and adult associated with our school. You make our brilliant school what it is = thank you. I am proud of all children, all parents and all families for the effort and dedication given to remote learning. Well done! You have now got to the end of one of the hardest half terms ever – and you and your children need to step away from the pressures of education for the half term week.

During half term next week, Woodhouse Primary Academy will be totally closed – even for key worker and vulnerable children. Everyone in the Woodhouse community needs to take a break from remote learning. Every child, parent, teacher or member of support staff needs the opportunity to recharge and recuperate. Please do your best to enjoy some time together this coming week, but also focusing on having fun and being happy as a family.

To help this, Miss Lavelle yesterday sent a dojo message to all parents to confirm that as it is half term next week, staff will not be responding to messages via class dojo or marking any work on Google Classroom. Your child may still want to take part in some of the creative or fun activities, which of course they can do if they choose to – but this is not expected.

Of course, there may be urgent challenges you need help with, for example to inform school about a positive test in your household. I will be continuing to monitor our email address enquiries@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk throughout the half term break, so please email if you need to communicate with me. If necessary, I will respond when I am able to, but if the query can wait until school is open again on Monday 22nd February, then there will be a response after then instead. If you call school on the phone and leave a message on the answerphone, this may not be picked up until Monday 22nd February, so email will be your best method of communication.

I hope that you and your families have as good a break as possible over half term. I would like you all to stay safe and to look after yourselves as best as you can. Please remember the rules – do all you can to protect the children, families, adults at Woodhouse through your actions. Thank you once more for your immense efforts this half term.

Yours sincerely

Mr Oliver Wilson – Head Teacher
Woodhouse Primary Academy



We are hosting our first ever family virtual quiz night on Thursday 25th February at 6pm. We hope you can join us for an evening of fun!

Follow this link to sign up:

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/woodhouse-online-quiz-night---thursday-25th-february-2021>



We have set up a partnership with LetsLocalise who are an organisation with help bring schools and the community together to support with fund raising and other projects. Have a look on their website and Twitter feed for more info.

Stars of the Week

The following children are Stars of the Week for the week ending 12th February.

Nursery

Brodie
Evander

Reception

Jacob
Ahmed
Felix
Orla
Carter

Year One

Joel F
George
Freya
Kirstyn

Year Two

Shanice
Amber
Eleanor
Ijaz

Year Three

Star
J'Zai
Rajvir
Youzarsif
Rajan

Year Four

Divine
Tahlia
Harry K
Rory

Year Five

Raihan
Marcia
Areeb
Tala

Year Six

Taya
Anzoer
Louie
Yasmin
Avneet
Pria

Rainbow Room

George
Jack

If you can and would like to, send us a photo with your certificate so we can share it on next week's newsletter.



Congratulations to all of these children who have put in a fantastic effort this week. They have been nominated by their teachers. We are really impressed with the level of learning from all children. What can you do to be Star of the Week next week?

Celebrating Success



Book some time to Read



The total word count on Accelerated Reader for school this half term is 30,804,999 overall with A total of 3194 quizzes been passed.

Gurraj, 5H has reached his 4 million-word milestone and Dilarj, 4W has reached his 500,000-word milestone. Well done both!

If you haven't already, pick up a book or logon to Myon or EPIC and enjoy reading! There are now over 5000 books on Myon ready to start reading.

<https://www.myon.co.uk/login/>

epic!



We have a new reading platform called Epic, which is a free online library where children can read lots of very popular books – 40,000 books to be precise! If children are on accelerate reader they can search their level and finds lots of well-known favourites and if they aren't on AR then they can listen to lots of the read aloud stories. It is accessible between the hours of 7-4 (schooltime) and all children need to do is head to <https://www.getepic.com/students> and pop in the class code which has been given to them by their teachers. They then need to click on their icon and they can read away!

Teachers will also assign books for children to read to do with their topic and children will be rewarded as a class depending on how much they collectively read.

Parents can also use their email address to allow the children an extra few hours after 4 o'clock. This is free of charge.

epic! FREE

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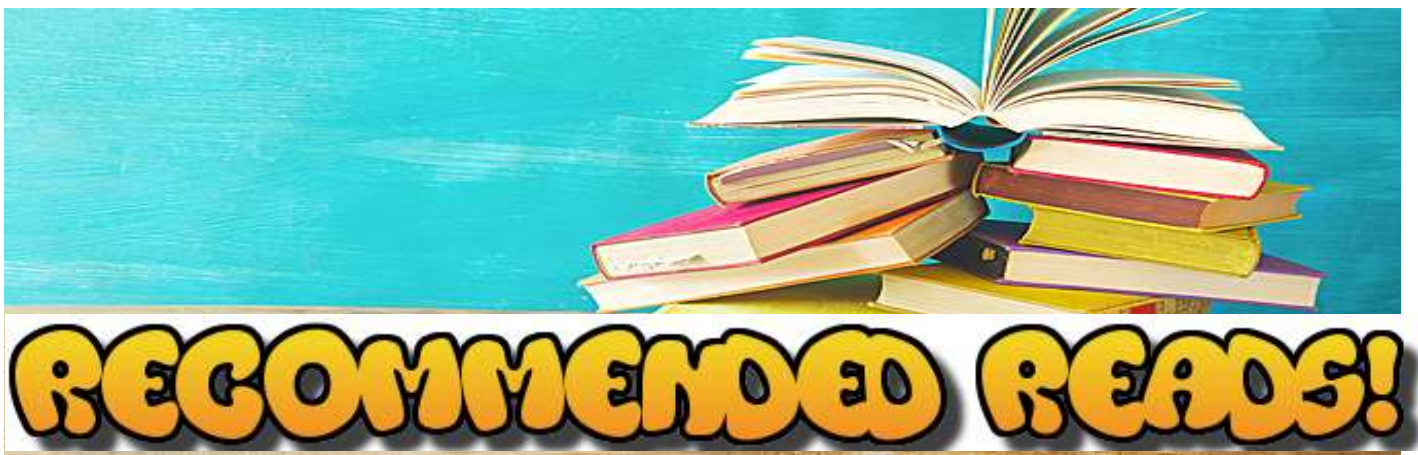
FOR YOU

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COMICS

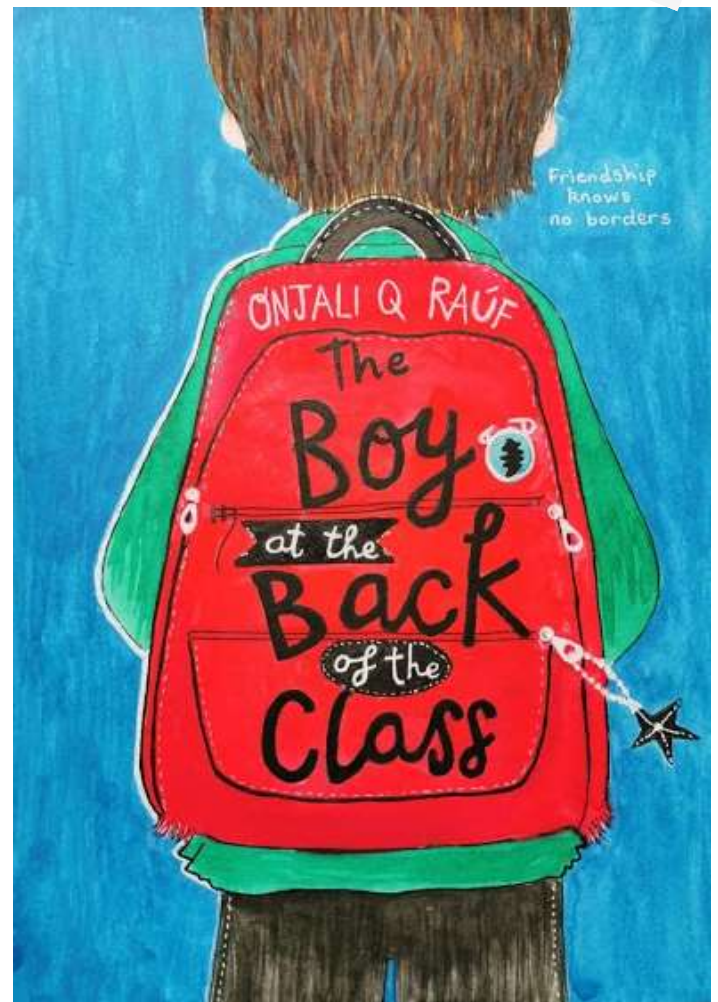
READ TO ME

VIDEOS



When a new boy joins their class, a group of children try to befriend him. They soon learn that Ahmet is a refugee and has been separated from his family. None of the grown-ups seem to be able to help him, so the friends come up with a daring plan, embarking on an extraordinary adventure.

The author explores what it means to be a genuine and positive person into a story that sparkles with kindness, humour and curiosity. Her characters are role models for everyday life, ready to take you on an ambitious adventure which is both fun and gripping.



Book cover drawn by Mrs Boore

Jasmine, 2F has retold the story of Katie in London.

School **NEWS**

This is the first trip for Katie, Jack and Grandma to go to London. They came to London in a giant, red Double Decker. Katie was amazed by all of the things she can see. She can see tall buildings, the road and people's homes. Katie said this is the best place i have ever seen! And there was a bronze, pastel lion statue.

Katie and Jack's grandma wanted a rest so Grandma told them to go by that bronze, pastel lion. So Katie and Jack climbed on the mighty lions back. The lion came to life. It said who let you go on my back. Grandma said so they replied oh said the lion then you should stay with me.

The lion showed them the sights. The lion said there is a King and Queen ghost around Buckingham Palace Katie and Jack looked terrified! The lion said don't worry they only come out at midnight. Phew! Said Katie and Jack they went to take a look in the huge, wonderful Palace.

They were going to cross a gigantic bridge the bridge was opening someone said stop! But the lion did not stop, instead he jumped over the bridge. And then they landed in a small ombre boat, luckily they survived. Jack, Katie and the lion saw the silky, turquoise sea. It was amazing and the waves were beautiful.

They landed in the boat. It was a little squeeze well they did not mind. It was quite fun! The children rode the boat back to the surface.

Katie said look what's that? The lion said that this is the London eye, the London Eye is huge! Said Jack. Let's go on the London Eye then, Katie said. The lion said you don't expect me to go on that thing! Oh yes we do, said Katie and Jack. So they went on the London Eye. The lion was afraid of it because it was so high.

The lion had to go back to his place. Ohh, I don't want to sit on that dirty, cold rock again, said the lion. Well the kids said bye and he went back. But they had some pocket money left and enuf for a little blanket for the lion. They went to the lion and gave it to him. He was grateful ! the lion said thank you very much and they said goodbye! And they left happily ever after.



Some more children have been baking this week. George, 1L made cupcakes and Adryan, 5H and Agatha, 1L made a Brazilian Carrot cake.



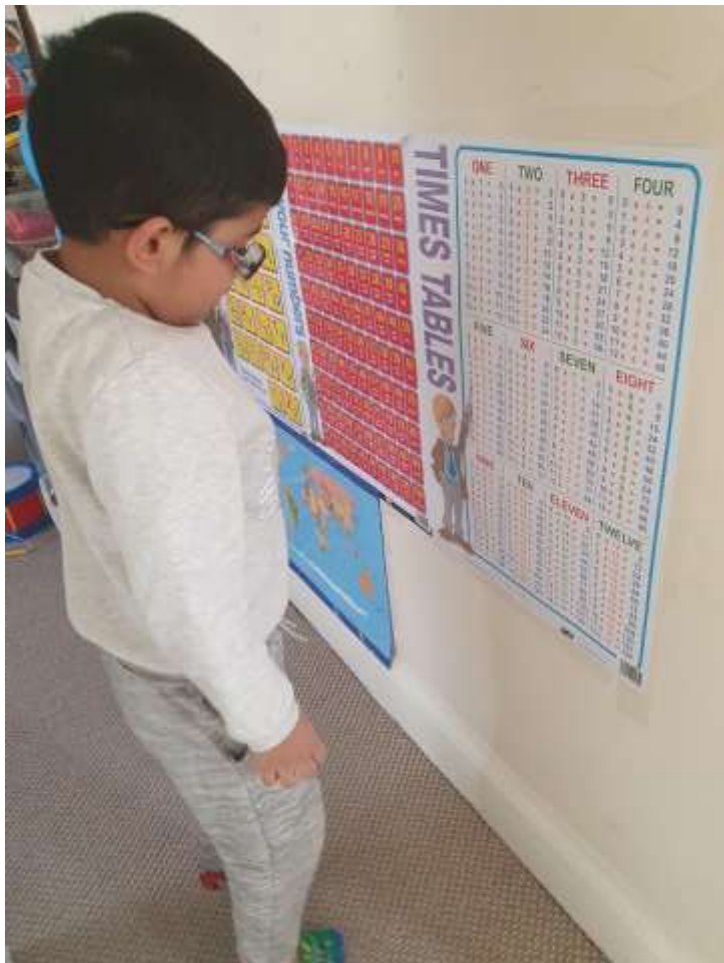
Rajvir, 3N has grown her own rainbow. This looks awesome Rajvir, well done.



Jack, RR has made this wonderful beanstalk as part of his English learning this week.



Ijaz, 2G has been practising his times tables and maths skills using a variety of different resources.



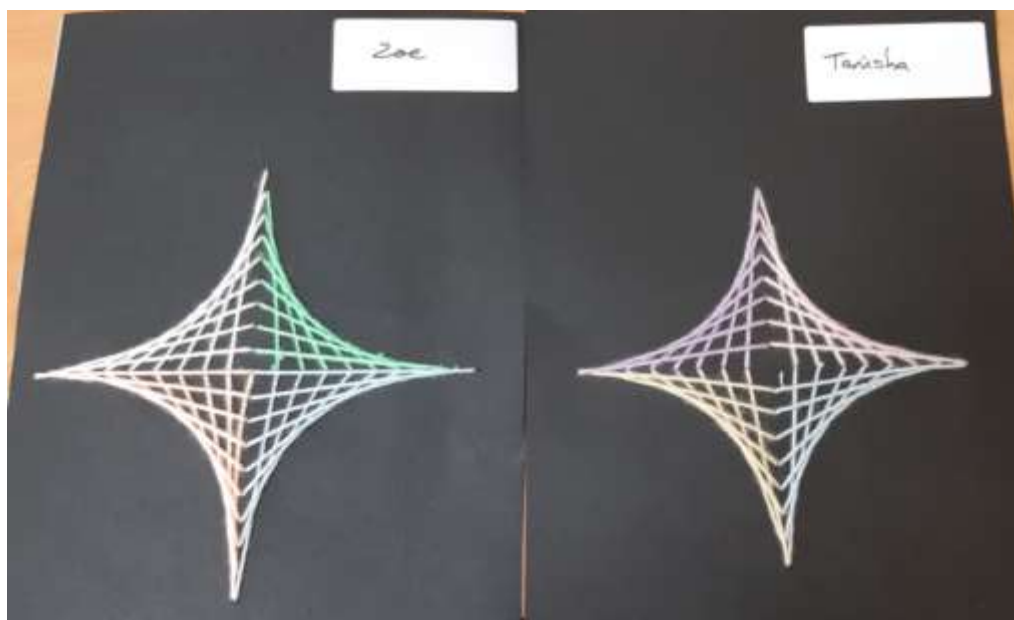


Year 5 have made these amazing Tudor art pieces with Ms Lewis. They are clay tile Tudor houses and milk bottle Tudor figures.





Year 5 have also been getting creative with Mr Waterworth, producing these wonderful Tudor houses using wooden doweling for the frames and these amazing weaving pieces.



Ingy, RM has been teaching her toys whilst she's been learning from home. Teaching someone else is a great way to support your learning.





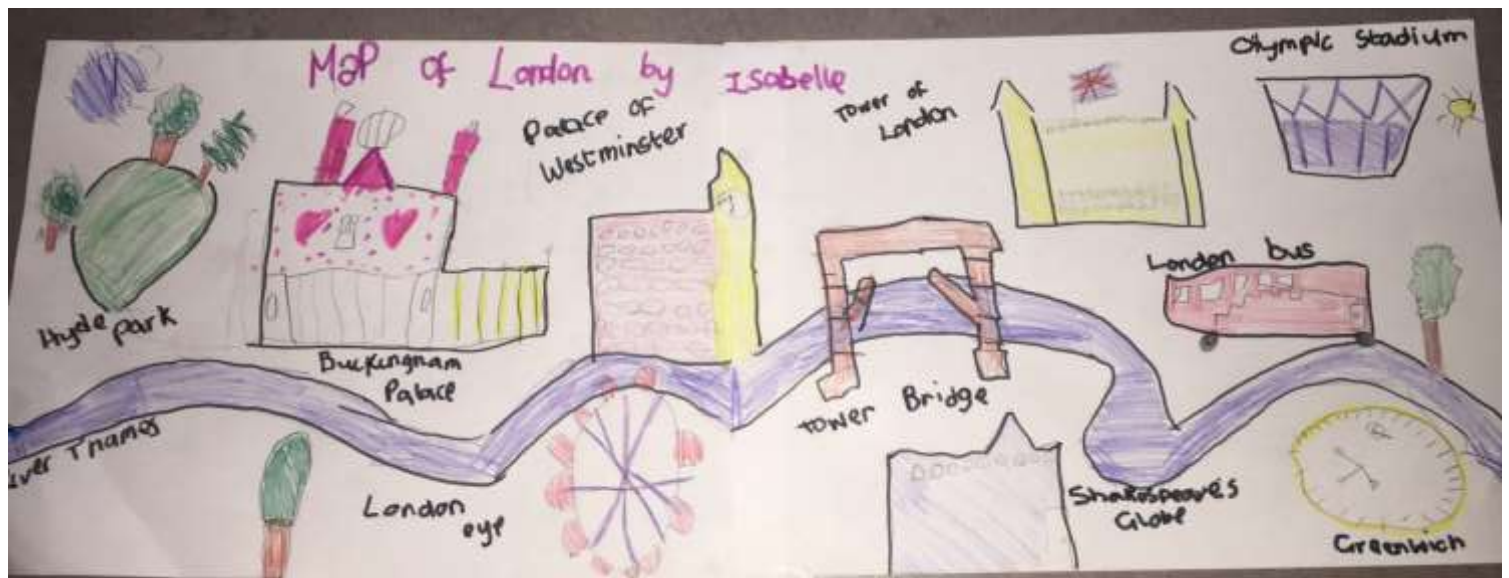
This week Reception have been learning about capacity and weight. They have compared the weights of different items by both estimating and weighing them.

They have also learnt what vocabulary to use to describe the capacity of a container.

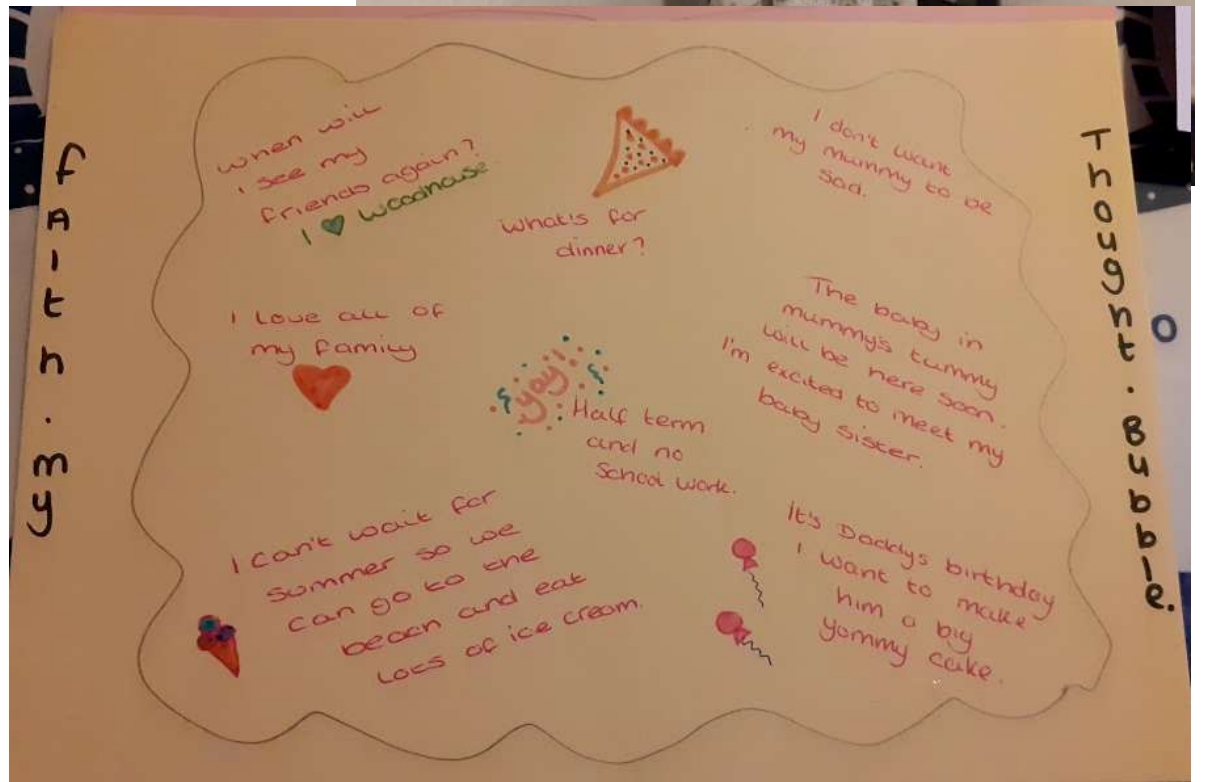


A poster by Rae'y, 2F showing us how we can take care of our planet.





Year 1 have been making maps of London as part of their learning around the story of Charlie and Lola.



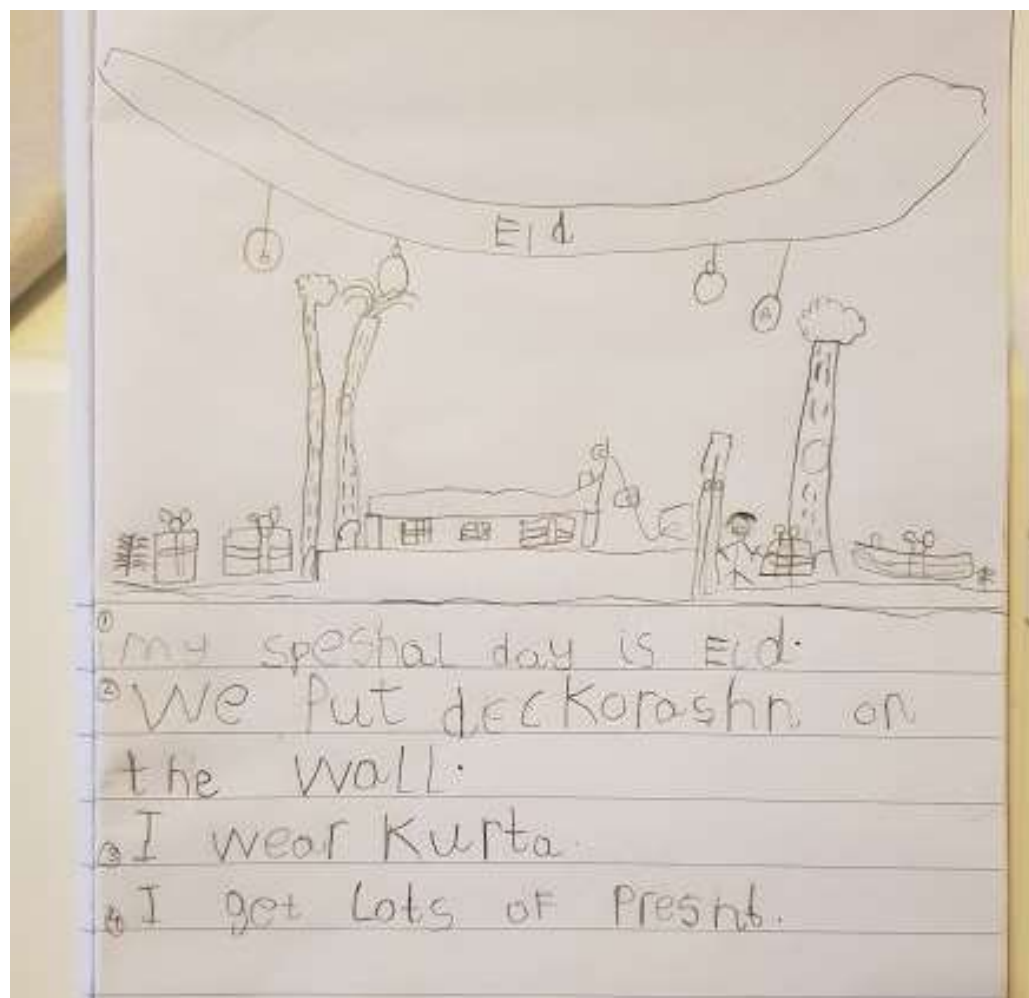
Faith, 2G has made this wonderful thought bubble. This is a good idea to get your thoughts down on paper.



Year 4
fun
Friday
activities
and
tributes
to Sir
Tom and
the NHS.



The Rainbow Room have been doing some roleplay and learning about the emergency services.



Reception have been learning about special events in our calendar. Zakariya, RM has done this fantastic piece of writing about a Eid.

THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

MOUTH



BROCCOLI



② Then the broccoli goes down my Esophagus and into my stomach.

① I eat the broccoli and the saliva breaks the broccoli down and makes it easier to swallow.

ESOPHAGUS

④ Stomach muscles break the food down into the small intestine by also contracting it.

③ Then in my stomach, acids break down any harmful microorganisms that we could've swallowed with our food. Also Enzymes break the food further down.

STOMACH



⑤ In the small intestine all the nutrients from the broccoli get absorbed into the bloodstream to carry it around the body.

⑥ In the large intestine the remaining water gets absorbed back into the bloodstream. This becomes waste that our body gets rid of as poo.

SMALL + LARGE INTESTINES



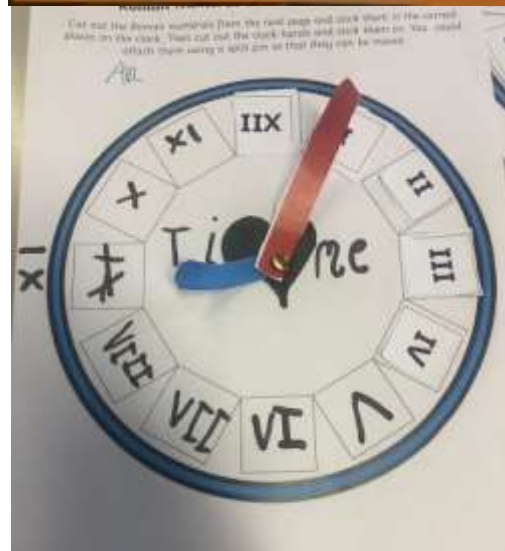
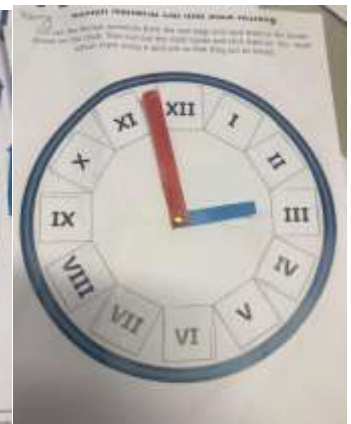
HEALTHY FOOD

JUNK FOOD

BY YUVRAJ 4W

An amazing poster all about the digestive system by Yuvraj, 4W

In amongst their maths learning, Year 4 have been doing some fun maths activities. They have labelled the Roman numerals on clock faces and made a menu with pricing on.



Bella's Bites - Kid's Menu

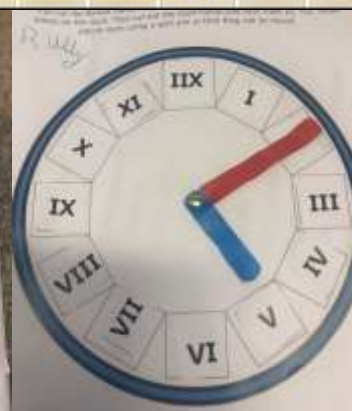
- Mains**
Cheese sandwich £1.50
Tuna sandwich £1.50
Ham sandwich £1.50
Pizza £3.00
Spaghetti bolognese £4.00
Cheese burger and chips £4.00



- Extras**
Crisps 50p
Carrots 50p
Beans 50p
Garlic bread £1.00

- Drinks**
Coke £1.00
Lemonade £1.00
Cherryade £1.00

Dilraj's Tasty Treats	
MENU	
HOT FOOD	Lunch
Bean on toast £3.00	Jacket potato w/ cheese & beans £4.50
cheese on toast £3.00	Veggie rolls £4.00
Butter toast £1.50	Soup and bread £3.25
Boiled eggs £2.00	Beverages
Scrambled eggs £3.25	Milk shake £1.25
hot French fries £2.25	Tea/coffee £1.00
Tea cake £2.50	Mixed fruit juice £2.00
	Hot chocolate £1.50
	Water bottle 50p
Sandwiches	Desserts
veggie sandwich £3.50	Vanilla ice cream £2.00
Cheese sandwich £3.50	chocolate ice cream £2.25
Butter jam bread £3.00	Apple cake £3.00
Tuna sandwich £3.50	cheese cake £3.50
	Almond torte £4.00



On Wednesday, Woodhouse were the first school in our trust to take the lead on the new 'Wednesday Takeover'. Each Wednesday, one school in the UWMAT trust will set learning activities to get children and their families away from their screens for an afternoon. Staff set various activities and challenges for the children to choose from. All of the schools in our academy trust took part. We will let you know more about the next one after half term. Here is a small selection of photos of our children doing some of the activities.



Year 1 had a go at making book corner book marks as set by Miss Wynne.



Avneet, 6W had a go at Mr Waterworth's 1-minute skipping challenge.



Year 6 had a go at making Oobleck (slime), using Mrs Ebanks' tuition video for guidance.



Jamaine, 6LP oved doing the tower building challenge.



Reception loved the craft and tower building activities.

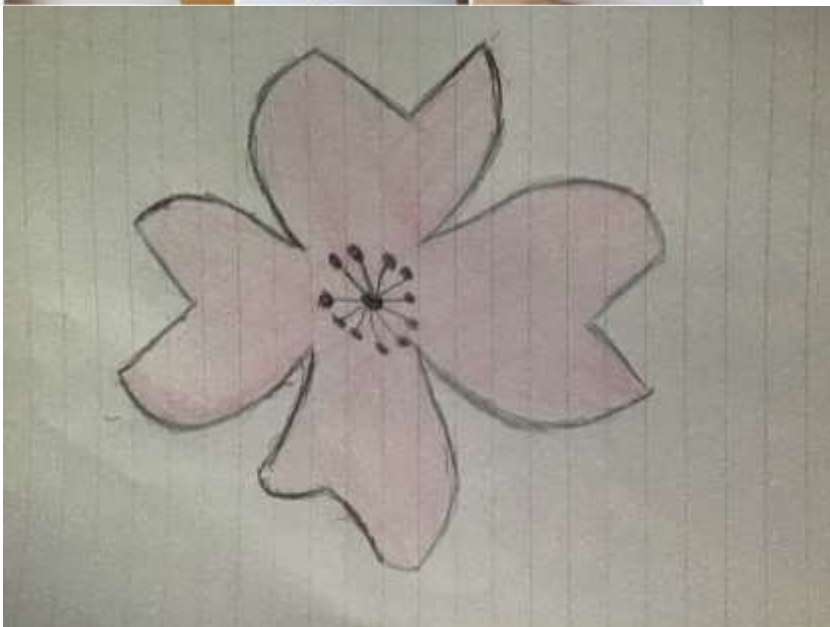
If you haven't already, check out the Wednesday Takeover page on our home learning website. There are loads of fun activities to have a go at.

<https://homelearning.woodhouse.academy/woodhouse-mid-week-takeover>



Chinese New Year

Today is Chinese New Year, the year of the ox. The children at school and at home have been learning about it and doing various craft activities.



Task B

Chinese New Year

The Chinese people celebrate the start of each New Year with a fantastic festival. Families get together and give each other firecrackers. Sometimes Chinese people celebrate the new year in the streets by having a parade. During the parade the people dance wearing a large costume of a dragon. The dragon appears to chase after a ghost. The Chinese people let off firecrackers, these are like the fireworks we have on bonfire night, they make a very loud bang. The bang is supposed to scare away ghosts and monsters. Chinese people feel that it is important to be part of a family at the start of each new year.

Word Bank:

firecrackers Chinese dragon parade ghosts
family presents monsters festival firestick





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