



TEAGUES BRIDGE PRIMARY

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Friday's Newsletter

8th March 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers,

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

World Book day:

We had a great day in school when the author. 'Sarah Griffiths' came to school. The children were animated and interacted well. Sarah said it was the best school she had been in, the behaviour was outstanding. I am very proud of all the children for their outstanding behaviour and great participation throughout the day.

Dress up as a character from a book or you favourite word:

So many children dressed up as their favourite character, we had many book activities taking place throughout the day and I think the children had a really enjoyable day. So many amazing ideas for dressing up. Children also had their favourite book with them in the dinner hall.

HEALTHY FOOD at BREAK-TIME:

In KS2, Base 5-9, we are seeing a small number of children with unhealthy choices for a break-time snack. Children should not have crisps and chocolate and sweets at break-time. These types of foods are not classed as healthy options within our healthy eating policy. Can I please ask you to refrain from sending these into school for break-time. It could be the children are taking them out of their sandwich boxes, intended for dinner-time.

DATES:

11th March ~ British Science week ~ Activities taking place in class

11th March ~ Assessment week.

14th March ~ International Maths Day.

14th March ~ Year 2 boys football competition ~ only 10 children from year 2.

15th March ~ Comic Relief ~ Dress up in RED ~ pay £1.00 on parent pay.

18th March ~ Parents Appointment's via TEAMS ~ 3.30-7.00

19th March ~ Parents Appointment's via TEAMS ~ 3.30-5.00

21st March ~ Break-up for EASTER.

Author Visit

On Monday 4th March 2024, Sarah Griffiths visited Teagues Bridge Primary School. She worked with every base and shared her new book with them. She talked about her life as an author and the skills she needs to produce her story books. Everyone enjoyed their sessions and found them very informative!



"I really liked learning the song."
- Heidi



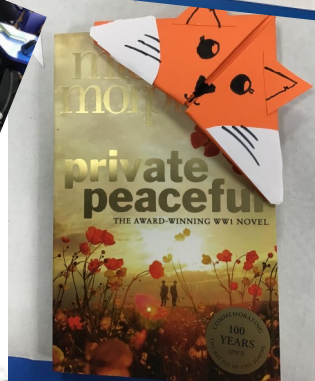
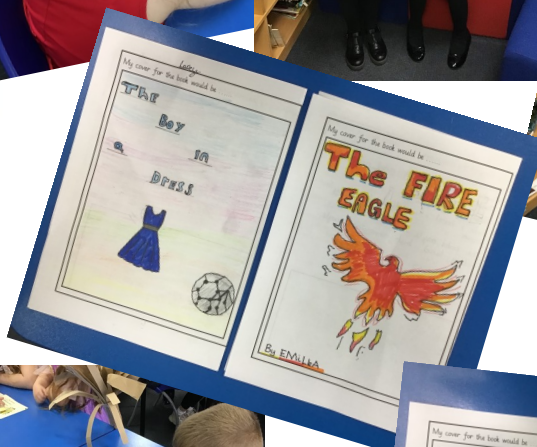
"I liked the author visit,
because her book was really
colourful and we sang a song
which is in the book and
learnt the actions" - Lexi



"I liked the story and Sarah did some
calming music with us at the end which
made me feel sleepy." - Leyla

WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a fun-filled day celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2024.
Here are some highlights from the day!



This week in Seals...

Author Visit - Sarah Griffiths

This week we had a visit from Sarah Griffiths, the author of Tom's Gift, who explained how her inspiration for writing the story came about. The children also learnt a song that Sarah had written in the story and practiced singing the song with actions.



World Book Day

This week we celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as our favourite characters or favourite word. We took part in activities, such as designing our own book covers and we also enjoyed creating our own wooden spoon story characters!

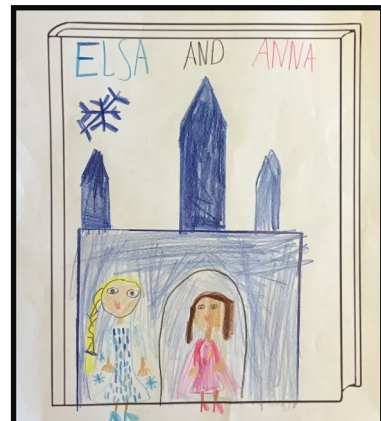
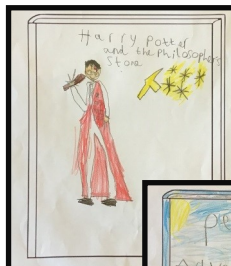


Seals recreated their favourite characters

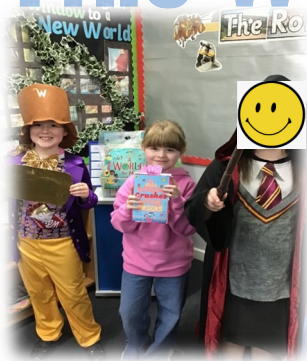


Seals costumes!

Our book designs...



This week in Swordfish class...



This week the children were very fortunate to have a special guest read them a story. Local author, Sarah Griffiths came in and read her new story, 'Tom's Gift' to the children and discussed how she became a successful author. Many of the children were keen to share the stories they had written and we were even given our own copy of 'Tom's Gift' for the classroom!

We also dressed up as our favourite book characters on World Book Day and carried out lots of fun reading activities. We even got to read with some of the older pupils in school.



In 'Word Aware' we have learnt the following words:
engulfed, oozing, intimidated, flock, swamped

ICT with Mr Smith - Roman Mosaics

Base 6 have been working with Mr Smith on creating DIGITAL Roman mosaics.

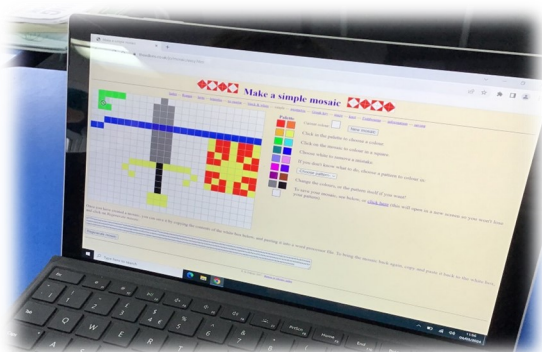
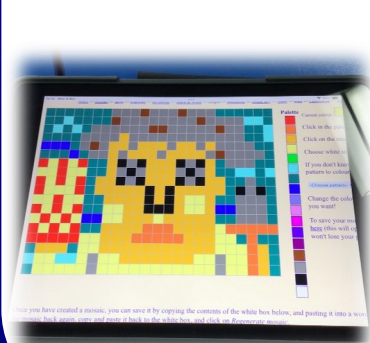
A mosaic is a picture made up of tiles, but Mr Smith taught us how to make a digital mosaic on our laptops. We then edited them once completed.

Key words: colour, square, code, symmetrical, system, blocks, logic.

We used a FREE website to be creative. We searched for 'make a simple mosaic'. The website is <https://www.theedkins.co.uk/jo/mosaic/easy.htm>



You can scan the QR



This week in Belugas.....

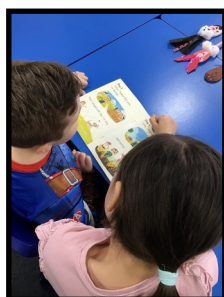
During this week, the children have been learning about the different British Values and their importance. Within Belugas we focused on diversity and equality, together we celebrated our differences and discussed the importance of the value equality. After that, each child created their own handprint decorating it with what made them unique. We then created an equality wreath to display within our classroom.



Last week, we celebrated world basketball day we enjoyed a visit from Mark and learnt different basketball skills as well as the importance of teamwork. Mark taught the children that everyone within the classroom is important, therefore together we work as a team and support everyone to succeed.



Finally, the children enjoyed World Book Day. Everyone made a fantastic effort with their costumes! In Belugas, we spent the day reading different types of books, discussing our favourite types of books and taking part in a book quiz! After that, the children used wooden spoons to create their favourite book character puppets. During the day, the Belugas and Starfish joined together and the children enjoyed reading their favourite books to each other.



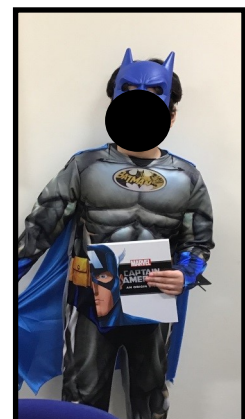
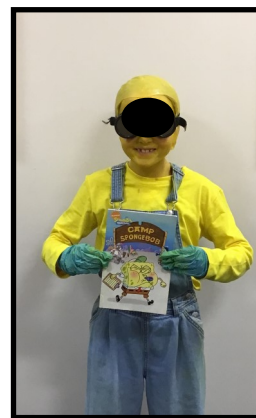
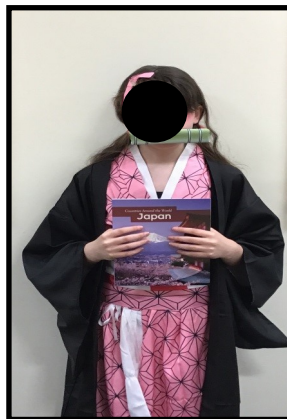
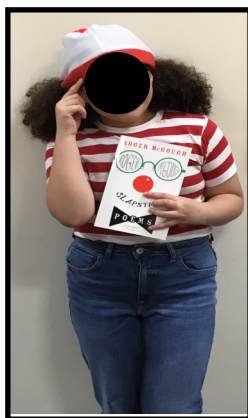
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Another fantastic week here in Octopus Class...

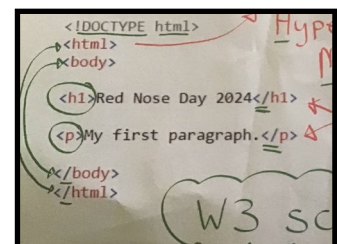
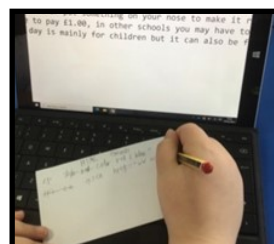
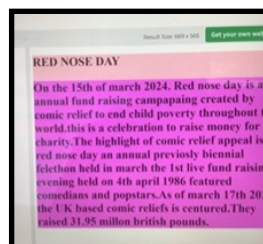
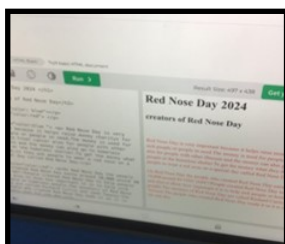
We have enjoyed celebrating our love of reading through World Book Day activities this week. We began the week by having an extremely exciting visit from Author Sarah Griffiths. Sarah shared her new book called 'Tom's Gift'. We thoroughly enjoyed listening to Sarah read us the story. We also asked Sarah a variety of questions about what inspired her to write the book, the reasons why she became an author and explored a range of other books that she has successfully written and published.



In addition, we enjoyed dressing up as characters from our favourite books as part of celebrating world book day. We discussed our favourite books and authors, what makes reading enjoyable and why it is so important too! Here are some of our amazing costumes...

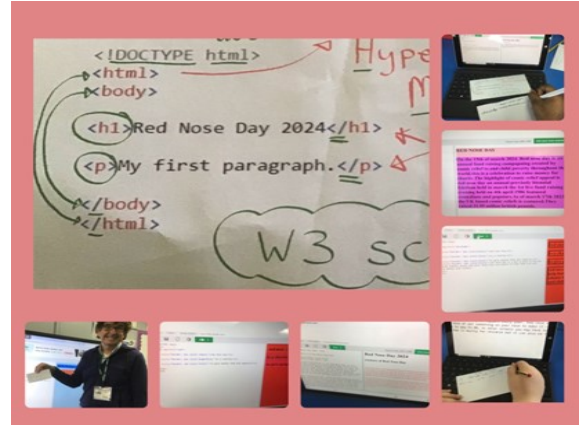


Furthermore, we had a great time with Mr Smith from Amazing ICT further developing our computing skills. We learnt how to design and create a webpage, which we chose to do themed around Red Nose Day in preparation for acknowledging the event later this month.



This week in Sharks

The last two weeks in Sharks have been exciting ones with lots going on! Last Monday, we worked with Richard Smith from Amazing ICT, in developing our HTML coding skills. We looked at how website coders change the colours of text, background and font style, using HTML coding.

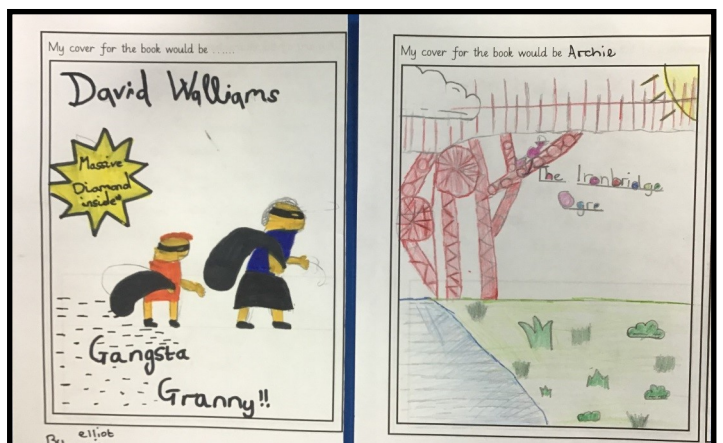
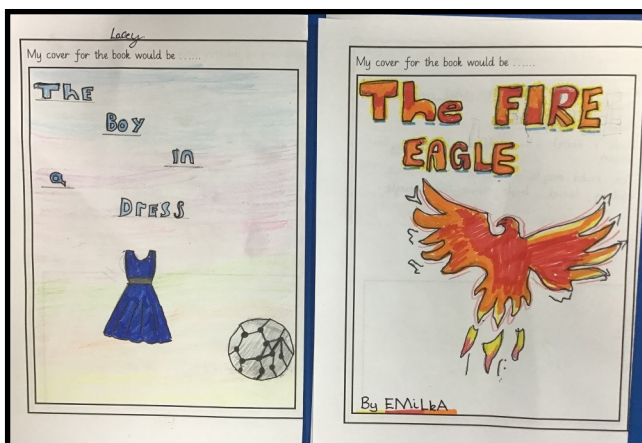


We kicked off our world book day celebrations early on Monday, when we were visited by the author, Sarah Griffiths. She spoke to the children about her new book, Tom's gift, which describes a young boy, Tom and his passion for music, which started at a young age. We found the talk very inspirational and a good insight into what makes a good author.

As part of world book day, we took part in a shared reading exercise with Base 6. We paired read with a child from Base 6 and really enjoyed the experience. Here are some of our pairs sharing a love of reading.



We also redesigned our favourite book cover and wrote a summary of the book. Here are some examples.



Homework of the week award

We have introduced a new award for Friday's award assembly.

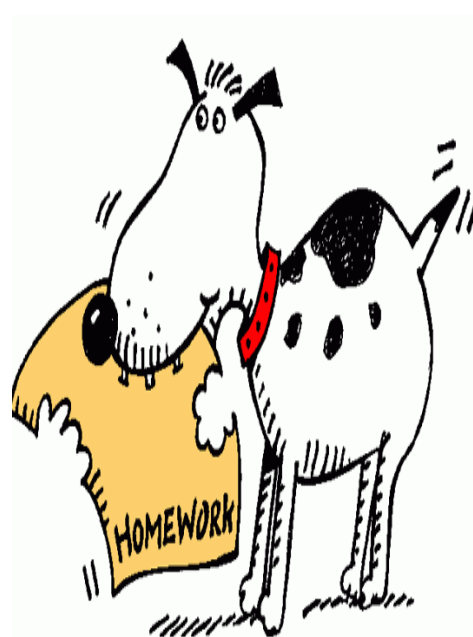
This is in recognition of the fabulous homework most of our children produce. It is also to show the importance of doing homework.

We need to ensure that children are equipped to be able to complete homework, as a school we are looking at our homework offer and adapting it to meet the needs of the children.

The most important homework your child can complete is reading, this opens the doors to all other learning in school and in life.

Each Base has nominated two children for this week's homework of the week award

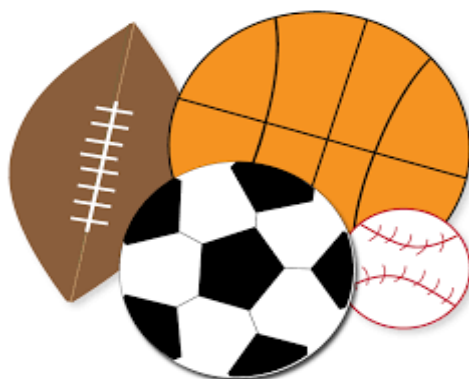
Turtles	Molly	Ashton
Starfish	Armish	Leyla
Seahorses	Chloe	Michelle
Dolphins	Jazmine	Harrison
Seals	Eloise	Ismail
Swordfish	Leo	Iris
Beluga's	Tillie	Anastasia
Octopi	Lacey	Amara
Sharks	Lucy	Charlotte



Star Player of the week award

On Monday, Thursday and Friday, all children have PE. This is delivered by the Crossbar coach. The coaches have recently introduced star player of the week from each base. This is because of the effort they make and the sportsmanship they show. Please see the children chosen for 'Star Player of the week' award this week.

Turtles	Aikya
Starfish	Holy
Seahorses	Olivia
Dolphins	Isla
Seals	Emma
Swordfish	Jaiton
Beluga's	Clim
Octopi	Lacey
Sharks	Udhams



Friday Awards

Our Awards Assembly takes place on a Friday via Microsoft Teams. Children were awarded with their certificates in class. Please see below a list of the children who have received awards this week.

Base	Star of the week	Worker of the week	Whale Rules Champion	Respectful Rangers	Handwriting Heroes	Punctual Panda	Best attendance
1	Esmee	Mathias Millie	Oliver Evelyn	Tommie Greyson	Jacob	Rahnia	Maria
2	Tyler	George Arnesh	Theo Jaipreet	Paisley Iyla	Amrita	Simran	Sienna
3	Jasmine	Sohaib Anastasia	Thiago Alfie	Gabrijela Sophie	Kevin	Jenaya	Ibrahim
4	Lewis	Alan Gabriella	Joey Retal	Elizabeth Nicholas	Brayan	Poppy	Indie
5	Karla	Corbyn Rosie	Maya Max	Freya Pradeep	Macey	Simran	Essa
6	Leon	Freddie Leo	Harrison Jay	Keerat Ollie	Lilly	Lacey	Ella
7	Emily	Ellysia Jacob	Koen Lexi	Junior Tola	Kyra-Mai	Mason	Jakub
8	Lewis	Britney Karanveer	Lucas Oceane	Sufyan Alexis	Isabella	Jayden	Annie
9	Emilia	Lilijana Leighton-Jae	Amelia Elliot	Lucy Chase	Manraj	Tomasz	Connor

Best class attendance this week:

KS1 - Starfish - 97% - FANTASTIC

KS2 - Sharks - 95% - SUPER

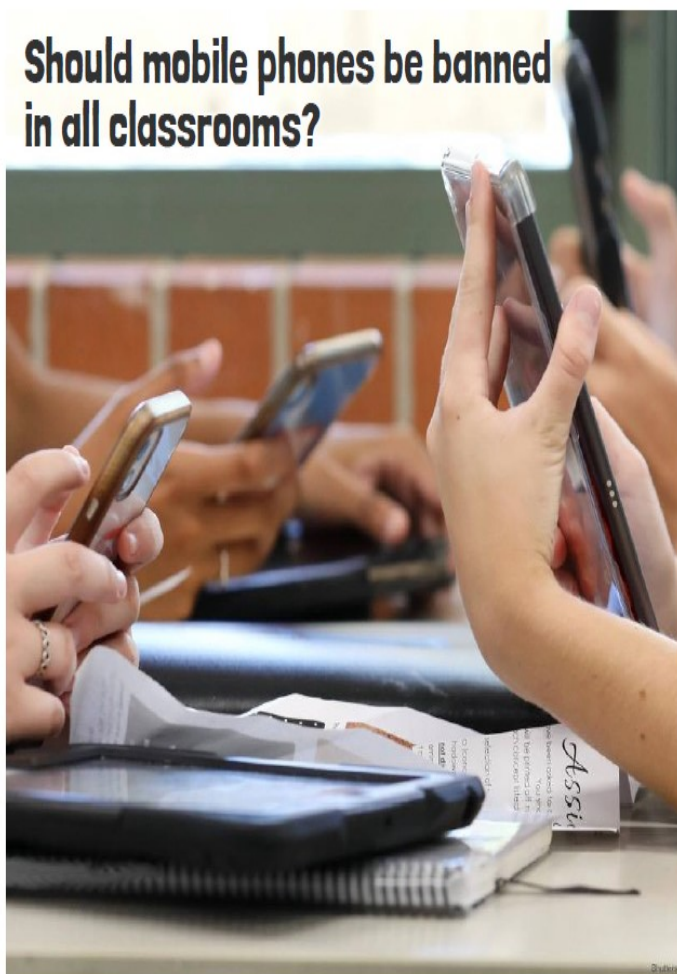


Picture News

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Should mobile phones be banned in all classrooms?



In the news this week

Ministers have confirmed plans to ban the use of mobile phones in English schools and have released guidance for headteachers. The guidance is not statutory and offers schools different ways of introducing the ban. These include an order to leave all phones at home, handing them in on arrival, keeping them in inaccessible lockers or allowing pupils to keep them, on the condition they are not used or heard.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your experience of mobile phones and other portable devices. Do you use them at home or at school? Do you enjoy using them?
- > Discuss with people at home your thoughts on the new guidance. Do you all agree that mobile phones should be banned in secondary school classrooms?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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