

February Lock-down Newsletter



We are all very excited and looking forward to welcoming all the children back to school on the 8th March 2021. We will be busy over the next week ensuring that school is safe for everyone to return. We understand that some children will feel anxious and worried about returning to school after the time off so we will be making the learning fun and engaging whilst ensuring the children have lots of opportunities to share their thoughts and experiences. We are going to use the 3 weeks leading up to the Easter holidays to settle the children back into school and we will prioritise their wellbeing by providing PHCE and physical activities alongside promoting maths, English and reading/phonics skills. We understand that the children have to get back in to their routines again as these will have been different whilst in lockdown. We have experienced staff who can help with mental health issues, sleep problems and general parenting skills. If you would like any help or advice then please get in contact and someone will be happy to chat to you. Sometimes we all need a little bit of help so don't be embarrassed and there will certainly be no judgement; we are just happy to assist you and/or your child. These times have been very different for all of us so it could take some time for us all to get back in the swing of things. I hope you are all well and we look forward to seeing you all soon.

Kirsty Hutchinson
Headteacher

Meet our Governors



Every month one of our lovely Governors will be contributing to our Newsletters, this month, January we hear from Will Pickles.

Hello everyone, I hope everyone is keeping well, staying safe and managed to enjoy the half-term holidays even though there were not all the usual options available to keep the kids entertained. I have been a parent governor for nearly 3 years now and the time has flown by. Coming from a finance background

and having no previous experience in education, it has definitely been a steep learning curve, not least picking up on all the acronyms!!

Along with the chair of governors, Jenni Mayo, I have really enjoyed carrying out my role as governor for the quality of education. The role focusses on the curriculum taught to pupils and in particular looks at the 3 i's of the curriculum; **Intent:** what do we want children to know and be able to do by the time they leave school. **Implementation:** how the curriculum is taught and assessed. **Impact:** how the curriculum is making a difference.

Normally we would use things like visits to school, sitting in on lessons and end of year test scores to fulfil the quality of education governor role, but as with most things the COVID pandemic has put a stop to this. But, to ensure we keep on top of the role we have arranged zoom calls with senior leaders in school to talk through the curriculum and talked to some children about their work and topics they enjoyed. I really like talking to the children about the work they do and I believe this shows not only the high standards set in school but also the enjoyment the children get from the various topics in the curriculum. It will be great to see all the children back in on the 8th March. Take care. Will

Diary Dates

Easter Holidays

29th March—9th
April

Bank Holiday

3rd May

Spring Bank

31st May—9th
June

Last day of School

23rd July



Wellbeing

We thought we'd share with you an amazing resource that was sent our way that you might find useful. <https://www.treacle.me/>

COVID Advice and Support in our district

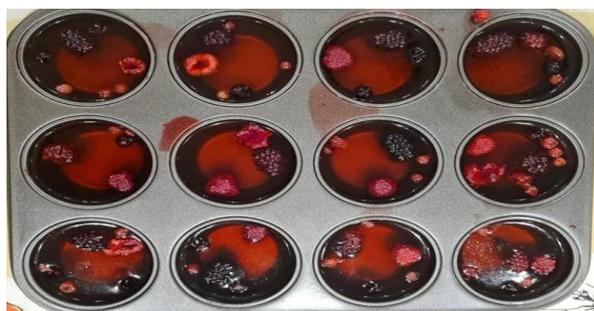
We know that some/most of you have been impacted by COVID in some shape or form (whether it be being ill or having a family member unwell or having to work from home and home schooling) and we thought you may find this link useful.

<https://www.cabad.org.uk/self-care-booklet>

Reception Class

In reception we have been focusing on the Gruffalo as the children love to read and retell the story. At school and at home there has been lots of making and baking of savoury and sweet food all linked to the Gruffalo.

The children have also been getting creative by making Gruffalo's out of playdough and then painting a portrait of them.

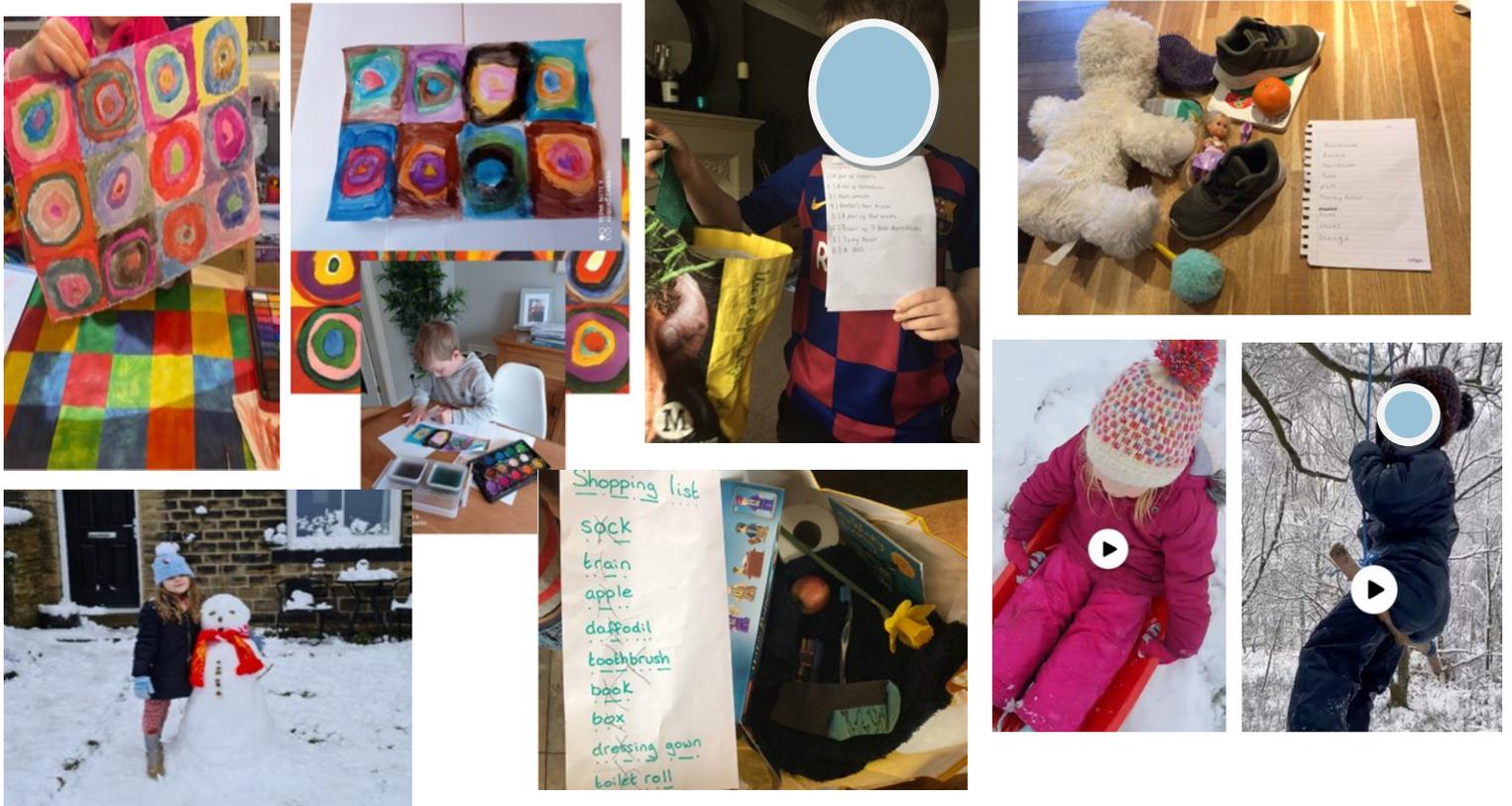


Year 1

Year 1 have been looking closely at famous artists. This week we looked at Wassily Kandinsky. The children recreated his artwork, here are their masterpieces!

We also took part in our off screen phonics activity where we had to create a shopping list of household items ready to collect in our shopping bags!

Don't forget the snow days!



Year 2

We have some very creative children learning from home in Year 2, with lots of fun art, DT and musical activities! The children in Year 2 also enjoyed a wonderful magic show, which was an amazing end to the half term- well done for all your hard work, especially on Seesaw.



Year 3

Amazing art work – Part 2

Mrs Lofthouse has been extremely impressed with the art work produce this half term. The children have done an excellent job in sketching and shading so she wanted to share some of the fantastic tigers with you.

In English year 3 have been finding out how amazing aliens are, then created their own planets for aliens to visit on holiday then used their designs to create holiday advertisements.



A Place of Beauty.
A Place to Relax and Unwind.

This precious potion makes you invisible to the tiger so you can sneak past him but you can still



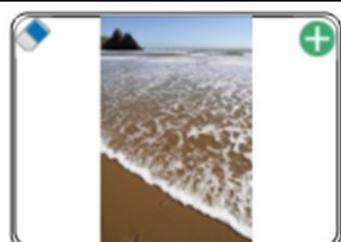
The Wonderland is wonderful and magical and there is amazing clouds which you can sit on and they take you up to the mountains if you don't want to walk.

It is so magical in Zargon 10 I hope you want to come! There is an amazing star and precious potions and, thats before I tell you about the tiger. There



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Don't miss the alien garage, the alien park, or the poisonous river. There is also a roller-coaster, and alien cafe and a drink stop! Come and see us right by the swimming pool. Don't be a rotten alien!!



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Be amazed by the powers of the red water fountain. Marvel at the volcano erupting purple larva and don't miss the fabulous view from the top of the giant alien statue.

There is also an exciting hoverboat ride, delicious ice cream and the most amazing toy shop.

Ideally located next to Zargon 9, we are easy to get to. Simply call us on Z-10- 725648489629 to book your flight on the next double decker rocket.

Comesoon for your great space adventure and leave your worries behind...



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Do you ever get bored of T.V at home? Do you want a change of scenery? Why not jet off to aliania island where you can find fun for family and friends. Take an exhilarating trip on a snail canoe in orange ocean, go down rocky river and swim in liquid lagoon. Stay at crater hotel and you might have neighbours in zargon terrace. Be dazzled by the amazing bright stripy light house. Be carfull in wisper wood there's strange wispers and echos. Taste the delicious water of licious lake. Flooded falls has shimmering purple water. In shape palace theres a fantastic art gallery. The wether is always summer and sunny. So book now and head on down for the time of your life!

Year 4

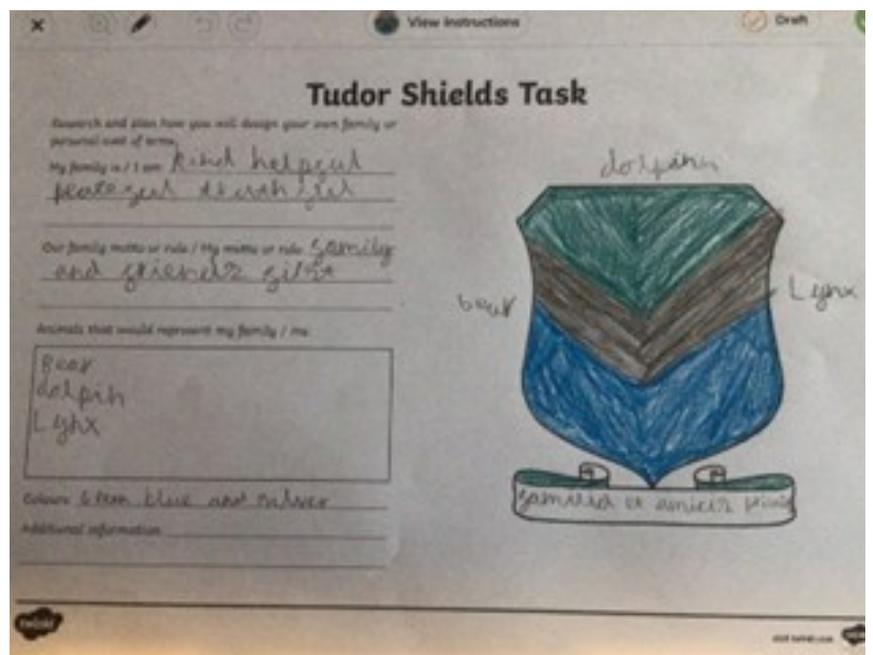
During February year 4 have been extremely busy using their creative ideas and fabulous artwork to create a number of amazing pieces of work.

Here William has designed 3 very unusual aliens. He has thought about what special powers each alien has and he was able to link these to the story we were learning and writing about in English.



The Children were challenged to design their own family crest complete with motto.

This family crest took George hours to complete, time well spent I think you will agree. Charlie wrote the his family values out and even wrote the family motto on the crest in Latin.



Year 5

In year 5 over the past few weeks the children have been really busy and productive during their home learning on Seesaw. Not only have they been keeping fit and healthy with all their P.E challenges, whizzing through their daily drilling questions and reading a wide range of texts and poems. Here is a selection of other good work that's been sent in too. Well done to all the children who've still been attending school as they've completed some excellent work too.



Mon 8th Feb - Boy hanging off train window...

It all happened so quickly. one minute he was standing on the platform, the next minute he was hurtling through the air hanging on for dear life. Timmy Brown was a young boy who was aged 8 who had magic powers but didn't know it. whenever he went on something that had wheels or that moved, he would just always float in the air. His parents were always so shocked and thought that he was always doing it on purpose until one day they found out the shocking truth. Timmy's parents was just watching the news one night and it said "there is a very rare super power going round called the floating power were you float in the air when your stood on something if it has wheels or if it moves. watch out and stay in if you dont want to get diagnosed with this power." They were both so happy to find out why young Timmy had been randomly floating in the air. So they stayed in side for 3 weeks like it also said on the news they all stayed healthy, and finally Timmys power went away!



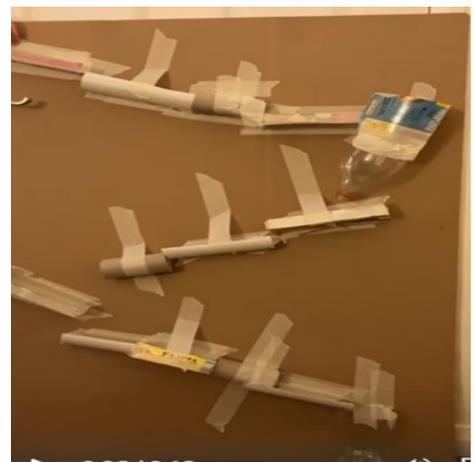
Year 6

Year 6 have been super busy. Miss Hall would like to share some of their great work with you.

Story—The Monster by Lucie

Every night they would come. They were never seen or heard. But they were always there. Watching, listening stealing. They were big fluffy monsters with a suction device strapped to their worn leather belt. Rumours travel around that they suck up your belongings that's why you never can find your toys. But rumours are never the exact story. I will tell you the real story of the monsters of the night. But I hear you asking how do you know the real story. I was raised by the monsters. Years ago I was abandoned outside my house then I saw a monster tower over me. He picked up my basket and ran. I found myself at an extremely large cave. They were everywhere. Hundreds of them. They raised me as one of them. Taught me how to use the suction gun. Special codes were used to get in and out of rooms. When I was old enough I was told the codes and I have never told anyone in my life and I never will. The first mission I was sent on was to steal a person's nightmare. I nearly got caught, I slipped when I was on the bed post and shattered a vase. Their parents came into their room I slid under the bed. It was the scariest night of my life. I could have been put in jail. I told him about it and he gave me an invisibility watch. Now and I can never be found. Sometime I like playing with the kids. I tap them on the back and look straight at me and get very scared and run into their parent's room. That's when the real work starts. I signal the team and they start stealing all the bad feeling in the room. If I don't make the scared feeling they can't live they feed of bad things. It's a great feeling when you see everyone smiling in the morning that's what I feed off. That's the real story of the monsters of the night.

DT Marble Runs—Using a cereal box and tubes, we designed and created a marble run! Here are the creations from Lottie, Billy and Matilda

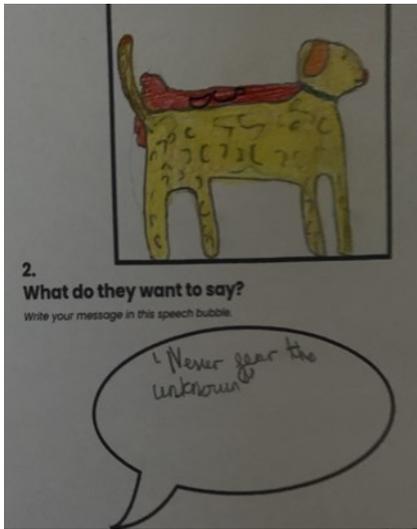
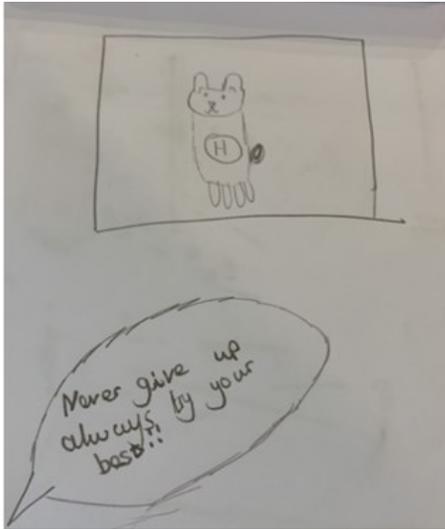


Sophie's Pop Art version in the style of Roy Lichtenstein



Positivity is a superpower!!

Y6 designed a character for our superpower and a message that we will remember!



Bright Stars @ Harden Holiday Club

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A CHILDCARE CLUB FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Ofsted certified. This business is owned and run by Mel Murley
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A holiday club for all school aged children with some spaces for
children aged 2-4 years

Venue: Harden Primary School Hall

Hours: Flexible from 7.30-5.30pm with the option of half days

Activities will include: Craft Workshops, Sports and Athletics,
Outdoor Nature Trips/Walks, Museum and Cinema Outings, Animal
Visits, Cycling/Cycling Proficiency, First Aid Training, Gardening,
Board Games, Sewing/Knitting Workshops, Lego Club, Dance and
Baking.

Currently taking bookings for the Summer Holidays for the period
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We accept childcare vouchers

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