

# Class Updates - 01.07.2022



## Reception Butterflies Update

Another busy week for Butterflies, the children do seem a little tired already, but there is just under 3 weeks to go until the end of term.

Wow, where did the Reception year go?!

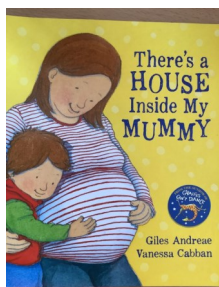
The children have enjoyed **visiting the Year 1 class** and having a good look around talking about similarities and differences from the Reception class. The children were very pleased that there are many similarities and that they could find their bug on the carpet and have a sit down in the same places.

The children have been busy with Miss Hunter and Miss Willis while I have been visiting the lovely new Reception cohort—it is great getting to know them and see how many are siblings of children I have taught previously.

During the week we has a visit from the **SCARF, with the Life tent to aid our RSE lessons and topic 'Happy Healthy Me'** over the last couple of weeks. The children loved meeting Nancy and **Harold the Giraffe** who taught them all about looking after their bodies and staying safe. The children joined in with the activities and listened very well. See Tapestry for lots more information on what the children learnt.



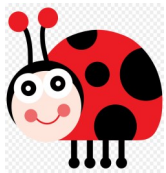
The children have been enjoying looking at the book



'There's a House inside my Mummy' and they can talk about baby siblings or family relatives, and think about when they were babies and how much they have grown and changed.

Have a super weekend, **Mrs Jeewan & EYFS team**

## Year 1 Ladybirds Update



This week, Year 1 have been busy recognising and comparing notes and coins in maths. In English, we have started a new book about The Man on the Moon which we are really enjoying. We have been busy practising for Sports Day in PE.....so much so that we all needed a rest after (see pic below of snack time!). In RE, we worked incredibly well in groups designing and creating Islamic prayer mats.

***Miss Nicholson & Mrs Potter & Year 1 Team***



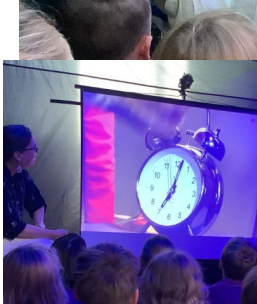


## Year 2 Caterpillars Update

### Mr Pike & Year 2 Team

It was RSE (relationships & sex education) day this week so we had a visit from SCARF, who specialise in this area. They brought with them their Life tent which the children really enjoyed learning in. The children loved meeting Nancy (who ran the session) and Harold the Giraffe who taught them all about looking after their bodies and staying safe in a unit called 'My wonder body!'. This supported our previous day's learning where we had focused on naming parts of the body and in particular the difference between boys and girls. In music, the class started writing their own pirate songs using the tune of London's Burning. Each part of the sentence had to have 4 syllables and the class came up with some great versions! In English, we read a poem called 'The Sound Collector' where a stranger comes and steals all the sounds in the world. Using this, we thought about objects in our day to day life and what sounds they make forming our own sentences to add to the poem.

**TODAY'S SPELLING TEST WORDS WERE: spray, time, door, pour, fear, throw, people, were, kind, old**





## Year 3 Grasshoppers Update

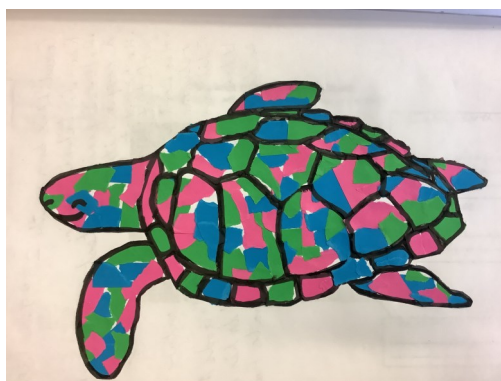
The Grasshoppers have been working on their statistics unit in maths this week. We have been looking at creating and reading data from bar charts and reading data from pictograms. In English this week, we have been looking at play-scripts and the class have been acting out in their groups.

In art on Tuesday, we looked at the work of Gaudi and the children used his trencadi technique to create their own nature inspired pieces of artwork.

For RSE day on Thursday, we had a visit from the Scarf life tent. We discussed all of the things that our bodies need to survive and grow and had a look at the role some of the organs in the body play. We also had a special performance from Harold the Giraffe!

Year 3 enjoyed being able to join their colour groups on Friday morning to create pom poms, banners and bunting reading to cheer each other on at Sports Day next Wednesday!

### **Miss Allin & Year 3 Team**





## Year 4 Fireflies Update

Fireflies,

Well done on another busy week. This week, in maths, the children have continued to look at the time and focussing on the 24-hour clock. The children have also solved problems involving time, such as converting and putting them in order.

We have been looking at our final piece, an adventure story in English. The children did some descriptive writing, ensuring they have used all of the critical features and next week, we will move on to developing our own story.

During this week, it was RSE day. Our topic is 'Growing and Changing'. We focussed on learning the scientific names of the body parts. Once we learned these, we discussed puberty and the changes we experience in our bodies as we grow up. The children asked some great questions about this topic and maturely approached this.

Finally, we got our times table results this week. I was so impressed with the children's approach to this task; all of their hard work paid off! The children know their results and hopefully, they have told you!

Have a fantastic weekend,  
**Mr Brown & Year 4 Team**





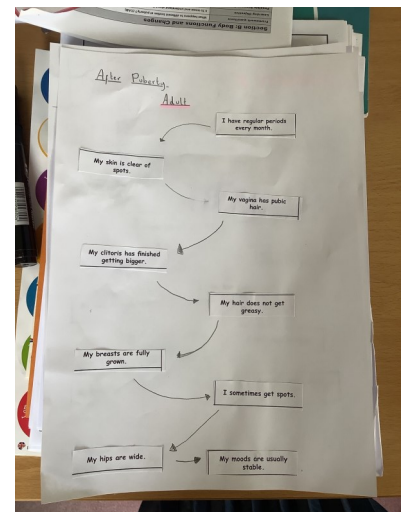
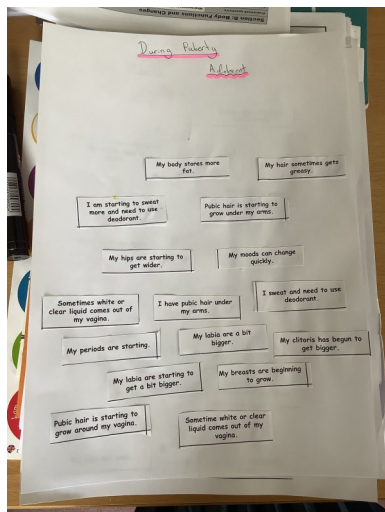
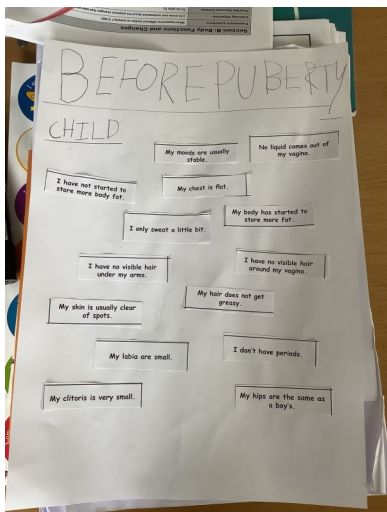
## Year 5 Busybees Update

The start of this week was spent continuing to work very hard rehearsing the production—we are so excited about it and can't wait to perform to the rest of the school and to you next week! We also went back over one of our Maths assessments and enjoyed being able to reflect and correct any errors. We finished our RE Unit on 'Aum', creating visual posters showing how the sound and symbol are used by Hindus in many different ways.

Thursday was RSE day and so we spent the morning and afternoon covering the Year 5 Growing & Changing topic. The children impressed us with their maturity as we discussed correct names of body parts and then moved on to identifying and labelling external and internal changes for males and females during puberty.

We had a great time on Friday making pompoms and bunting for Sports Day and rehearsing one last time with the Year 6's—we are nearly ready for our performance!

Have a lovely weekend, **Mrs McInnes, Mrs Shackleton & Year 5 Team**





## Year 6 Dragonflies Update

Dragonflies have had a great week this week. They have had a number of very exciting visits from Saffron Walden County High school, who have come in and led sessions in English and Science. In the English session, the children looked at personification, writing their own pieces using strange objects like phones and burgers! The teacher was very impressed with their work and said they were lovely children!

The children really enjoyed the science session, where they carried out an investigation on what makes a twister spiral the slowest to the ground. The children had to use their teamwork and measuring skills to get the job done and they also impressed the Science teacher!

Finally, a reminder that our Year 5/6 production is going to be at six o'clock on Tuesday 5th July (you should already have had tickets!). There are two tickets per family, and younger children will not be able to attend (younger siblings in school will have already seen it on the Monday). We can't wait to see you all there!

### *Mr Clarke & the Year 6 Team*

