

Class Updates - 28.11.2025

Reception Butterflies update



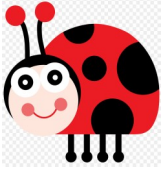
The end of another busy week in Butterfly class. This week we have been writing, writing, writing! We have been practising handwriting patterns and working on our gross motor skills with musical patterns, following the patterns with feathers. We have worked on letter formation, thinking about where to start each letter and practising our letter formation rhymes. Our topic focus this week for Let's Celebrate has been Thanksgiving. We have talked about what we have to be thankful for and then imagined what we would eat for Thanksgiving dinner. The children sounded out and wrote foods using the sounds we have learned so far.

In Maths we have been talking about one more and one less, singing lots of songs and using toys and equipment to explore the idea.

In RE we are talking about the question "Why do Christians perform a Nativity play?" We are becoming familiar with the Christmas story using puppets and small world role play and of course, singing our Nativity songs!

Miss Nicholson, Miss Hunter and Miss Murnane





Year 1 Ladybirds Update

A chilly week this week, but busy nonetheless.

Maths

We have been identifying and naming 3D and 2D shapes, as well as creating patterns.

English

This week we have continued with our class book- Meesha makes friends. We have been looking closely at diary entries and identifying key features, ready to plan our own diary entry next week.

PE

Gymnastics this week was lots of fun! We climbed up and down the climbing frame, swung on ropes, explored different ways to move down the bench and between the equipment.

Nativity

We have been working hard on learning the songs, actions and the order of the nativity. Some children have been chosen to play a special part and have been working hard on knowing when to come on and off stage.

Mrs Holmes and the Year One team





Year 2 Caterpillars Update

This week in **Maths**, the children have continued exploring the four operations. They have been practising the column method to solve a variety of problems and have challenged themselves further with missing-number questions.

In **English**, we have been developing our descriptive writing skills by focusing on the five senses. The children have worked hard to use sensory language to enhance their writing.

During **RE**, the class revisited the Nativity story. They sequenced the key events and discussed what happened before and after the arrival of Jesus, deepening their understanding of this important Christmas narrative.

In **French**, the children enjoyed learning vocabulary related to pets and different animals, building their confidence in speaking and recognising new words.

Finally, please enjoy our photographs from the week, including a special sneak peek of our rehearsal preparations!

Mr Brown & the Year 2 Team





Year 3 Grasshoppers Update

We've had a wonderfully busy and productive week in class and the children should feel very proud of all they've achieved.

This week, the children completed their end-of-term assessments. We were incredibly impressed by the calm, positive and resilient approach they showed throughout. They tackled each task with determination and focus, demonstrating not only their growing skills but also their developing confidence as learners.

In Science, we have been exploring the human skeleton. The children enjoyed identifying and naming some of the major bones - including the skull, spine, ribcage, femur and more. They asked brilliant questions and loved making connections between the skeleton and how they support our bodies.

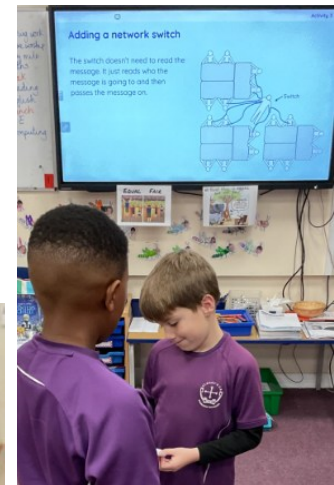
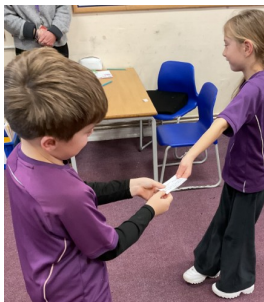
Recorder lessons continue to be a highlight (not always for the years!) This week the children learned a brand-new note and have been working hard on playing with clearer tone and improved rhythm. It's lovely to see their progress and pride as they master new skills.

In Computing, we explored what a network is. We thought about our own personal connections and then we created a class network—using 'network switches' to deliver messages around the room.

In RE, we began thinking about moral decisions and discussed what a moral compass is. The children shared thoughtful ideas about how we can use our values to guide our choices and how our actions affect others. Following on from last week's learning around World Toilet Day, we looked more closely at the work WaterAid does around the world. The children were genuinely moved by the stories and eager to find ways they could help. We've already begun gathering ideas about actions we can take in our own small corner of the world - watch this space!

In PE with Miss Driscoll, the class took part in indoor athletics. They enjoyed practising a range of skills including running, jumping and throwing and showed great teamwork and enthusiasm throughout the session.

We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.



Mrs Potter and the Year 3 team



Year 4 Fireflies Update

A great week in Fireflies class!

This week in **PSHCE**, the class have been discussing comfortable and uncomfortable emotions and how these may look and physically feel in social situations. The children worked hard to think of ways they could support themselves and others experiencing these emotions, and it was lovely to see the mature discussions happening between them all.

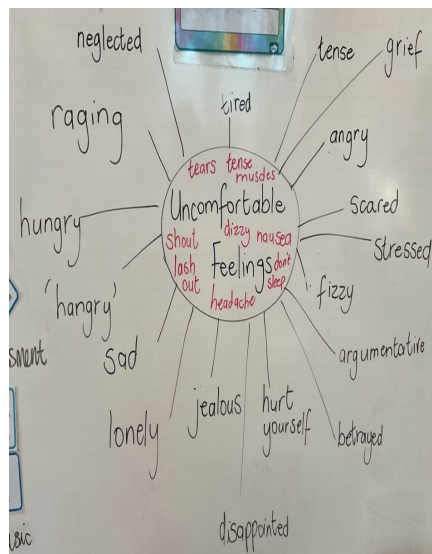
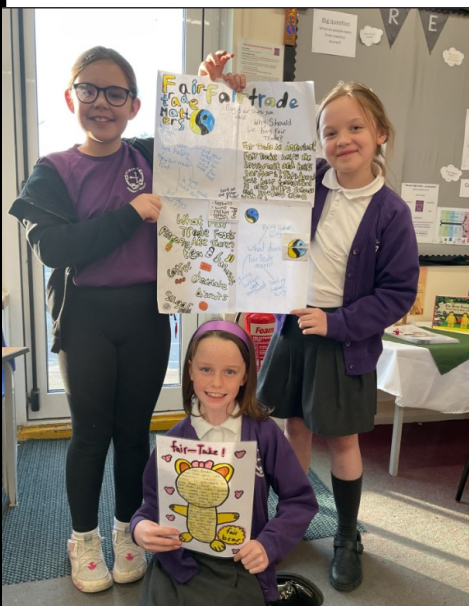
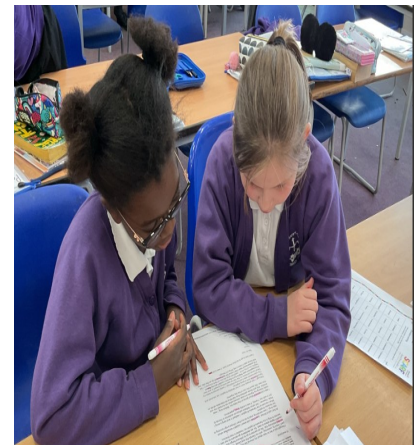
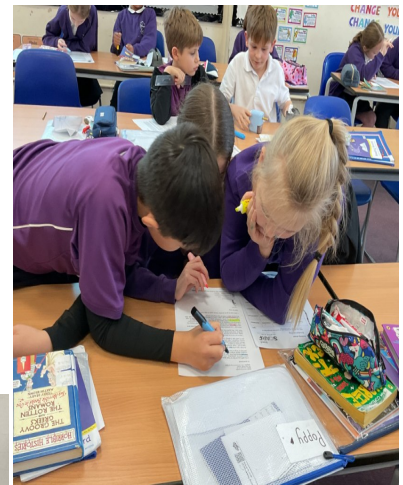
In **Maths**, we have been beginning to look at multiplication and division and the class have been working really hard to retrieve lots of prior knowledge and apply it to their learning in Year 4.

It has been really lovely to see how much the children have immersed themselves in the topic of Myths in **English**. As a class, we have enjoyed reading lots of myths surrounding the Greek kind Odysseus and the children have produced some lovely descriptive writing relating to the story settings.

We have also been looking closely this week at how we can make a difference as a class to the wider community, through our topic of **Courageous Advocacy**. The children are raising awareness of the importance of Fair Trade and spent time this week making informative leaflets, to be handed out to the local church next week. I am really proud of how the whole class have given real thought to this topic and how they want to help. The class have also planned ways to raise awareness in school, so watch this space for their next update!

Well done on another great week Fireflies,

Mrs Tagg and the Year 4 team





Year 5 Busybees Update

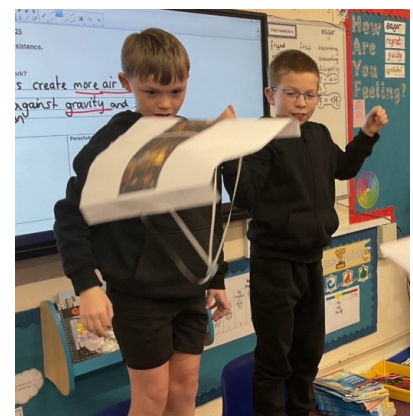
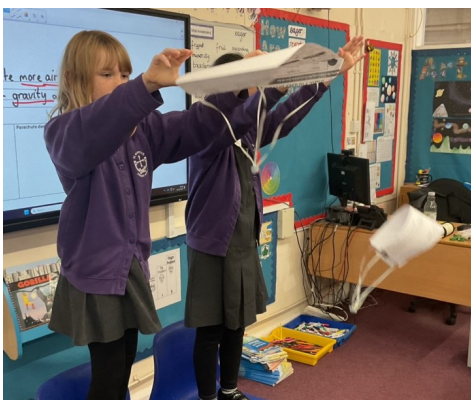
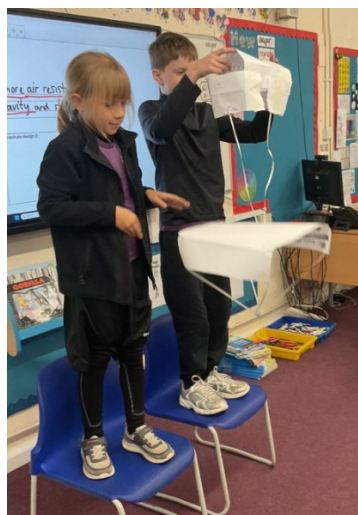
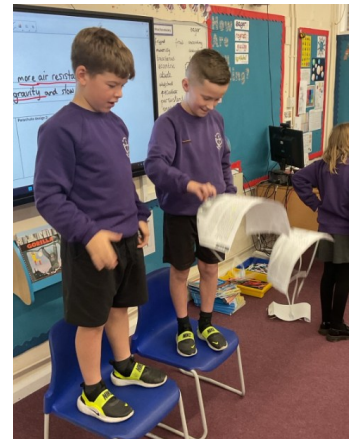
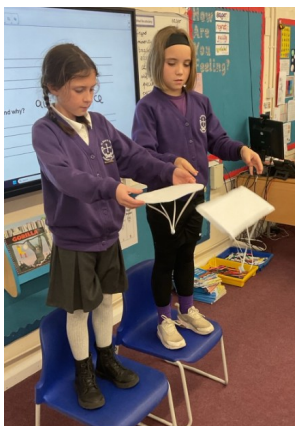
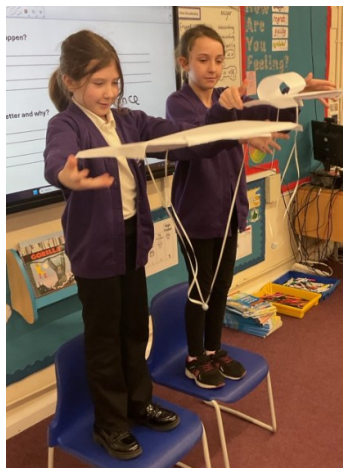
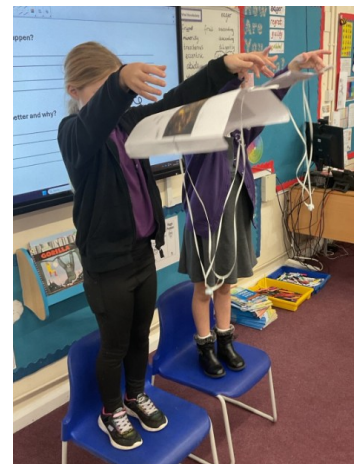
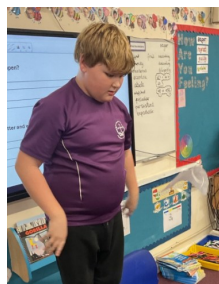
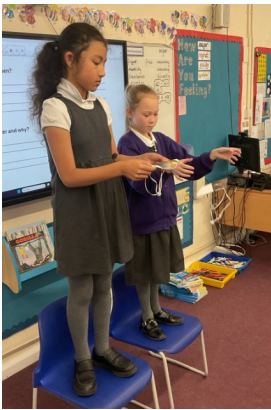
This week, in Maths, we tackled long multiplication! Everyone worked hard to learn the steps, and we practised solving problems using bigger numbers.

In English, we focused on character descriptions. We explored how to use adjectives, powerful verbs, and descriptive phrases to help readers picture a character from our book *Beowulf*. Once again there were some fantastic descriptions.

In music, we enjoyed a session of singing. We analysed different genres, warmed up our voices, learned a new song (*Livin' on a Prayer*), and tried to sing confidently and in time.

Our science lesson this week was all about *air resistance*. We designed and made our very own parachutes, then tested them to see how their shape and size affected how they fell. Lots of brilliant scientific thinking and teamwork.

Mr Pike, Mrs Smith, Miss Driscoll





Year 6 Dragonflies update

It's been another busy week in Year 6, packed with hands-on learning, persuasive writing and even a visit from an Ancient Greek doctor!

In English, the children have been putting the finishing touches to their persuasive letters about protecting the Great Barrier Reef. They've worked incredibly hard on them and it's clear that learning about the impact humans have on wildlife has really struck a chord; many have been thinking about changes they can make in their own use of plastics!

In Maths, we've been working through some assessments this week and the class have done really well. Everyone has made progress since last time, and they should all be proud of the effort and perseverance they've shown.

In Science, we continued our exploration of the human body—this time focusing on the lungs. The children worked in teams to create models of the different parts of the lung, thinking about how each part plays its role. Then we brought everything together, combining what we've learnt about the heart and lungs to tell the whole story of the circulatory system!

In History, we were visited by none other than the Ancient Greek doctor Hippocrates! He taught us all about the theory of the four humours and how people believed illnesses could be treated based on imbalances in the body. Can your child remember what any of the four humours were and why we might not rely on them for modern medicine today?

Another fantastic week: well done, Year 6!

Mr Clarke

