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THE FAMILY NEWS

POOL HAYES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Families,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and are looking forward to this final half term of the year. The children have settled right back into their routines.

Mrs. Mellor returned to school this week and she will be working with many of your children until the end of the term. She has changed her name and is now known as Miss Rathbone. It is lovely to welcome to Miss Rathbone back to school after having her baby and I know lots of children have been excited when they've spotted her in the corridors!

Your children are working hard. There have been some wonderful achievements celebrated in our whole school assembly this week. I tried to pick out particular highlights but it's impossible to choose from the many Stars of the Week and Rainbow Writers. Instead, I look to our Lunchtime Stars. I am very proud that our Lunchtime Supervisors select children each week who show friendship and kindness to others alongside good manners and helpfulness. I'm proud of our children for many, many reasons but these qualities being recognised so often makes me feel warm inside.

The weather is meant to be glorious this weekend. I hope you all enjoy yourselves, whatever you have planned, with your families.

I'm looking forward to welcoming you all back on Monday.

Kind Regards,
Mrs. Kelly Vaughan.

Whole School Attendance

95.5%

Best Class Attendance

Indigo
98.6%




HM Government

STEP 3

NO EARLIER THAN 17 MAY
At least 5 weeks after Step 2

 BUSINESS / ACTIVITIES	 SOCIAL CONTACT	 LARGER EVENTS	 TRAVEL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor hospitality Indoor entertainment and attractions Organised indoor sport (adult) Remaining accommodation Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 30 people outdoors Indoors: Up to 6 people or a larger group from 2 households only (subject to review) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most significant life events (30 people) Indoor events 1,000 people or 50% capacity (whichever is lower) Outdoor events 4,000 people or 50% capacity (whichever is lower) Large seated outdoor venues 10,000 people or 25% capacity (whichever is lower) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domestic overnight stays International travel (subject to review)



Stars of The Week Rainbow Writer

Our Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery

Toby Barnett

For coming into Nursery confidently and trying lots of new activities

Reception

Romero Lindsay

For learning and using all of his sounds in phonics

Year 1

Luca Lawrence

For designing a lovely bungalow for Barnaby Bear

Year 2

Layla McCombs

For persevering in maths and producing great work

Year 3

Grace Clarke

For her brilliant work on mummification

Year 4

Jessica Leech

For working hard in all lessons and improving her spelling

Year 5

Poppy Purcell

For improving her spelling and making remarkable progress

Year 6

Mollie Richards

For her hard work and being a good representative of PHP when meeting a teacher from her new secondary school

Our Rainbow Writers for this week are as follows;

Nursery

Sukhjaap Singh

For showing a determined attitude to writing his name and being proud of himself when he could do it

Reception

Leah Brittle

For writing sentences using finger spaces

Year 1

Harrison Parker

For working hard to edit and improve his work

Year 2

Noah Fisher

For his fantastic ideas when writing speech

Year 3

Khushman Kaur

For writing a fantastic story with wonderful vocabulary and phrases

Year 4

Riley Simpson

For his wonderful writing in English

Year 5

Ruby Hewitt

For her thoughtful vocabulary in her writing

Year 6

Niamh Hewitt

For making a big effort and creating a wonderful comic strip

Lunchtime

Stars Of The Week

Our Lunchtime Stars of The Week are as follows;

Reception

Charlotte Butler

For using good manners

Year 1

Oscar Fearon

For playing nicely with his friends

Year 2

Jack Hodder

For being kind and helpful

Year 3

Alice Whitehouse

For being sensible, kind and thoughtful

Year 4

Sukhman Singh

For being a role model with his behaviour

Year 5

Amelie Webber

For being thoughtful and kind

Year 6

Eva Jackson

For being a good friend

Mr Carter's Star Pupil of The Week

Sarah Richards

For being an
excellent role model

PE Stars Of The Week



Our P.E Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery

Matthew Robinson
For taking part in all of the lesson

Reception

Lily Wilkinson
For being enthusiastic in PE

Year 1

Felicity Austin
For putting lots of effort into practising for sports day

Year 2

Bobby Grocutt
For demonstrating brilliant sportsmanship

Year 3

Cienna Jarratt
For her hard work during every lesson

Year 4

Jessica Leech
For her brilliant effort in PE

Year 5

Maddison Brittle
For being a good sport

Year 6

Lola Footman
For demonstrating good skills



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Our Maths Stars of The Week are as follows;

Year 4

Maja Jedrzejczyk
For improving her times tables score

Year 5

Lotti Barker
For achieving a score of less than half a second per question

Year 6

Jessica Evans
For consistently working and improving her score

Diary Dates

- 1st - 4th Jun Half Term
- 7th Jun Children return to school
- 21st Jul Inset Day - school closed to children
- 22 Jul - Summer Holiday

Preliminary diary dates have been set for sports days and a Leavers' party and assembly. Arrangements will be made available shortly as guidelines from the government become clearer.

Absences

Please report your child's absence to your child's class teacher and to the school office. You can use Class Dojo or the school absence line.



Symptom Free Testing

Any Walsall resident can now collect or order symptom free Covid tests to ensure through regular, twice-weekly testing that they aren't positive.

1 in 3 positive Covid results are from people without symptoms.

Details on how to get tests are available from [Walsall Council's Coronavirus webpage](#).

PHP Menu

Remember to check our termly menu to choose a daily meal. Scan this QR code to download a copy.



Any child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal. In Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, if your child is entitled to a free school meal they can also have one at no cost. Paid meals cost £2.15.



Contact Details

Please contact the office with new contact details if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. This is a legal requirement.

Examples of Learning



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Here are some samples of work our children completed over the past week at school:

Our children in 2s have been learning all about road transport this week. They've been testing out different vehicles on the playground and have used blocks to build roads.



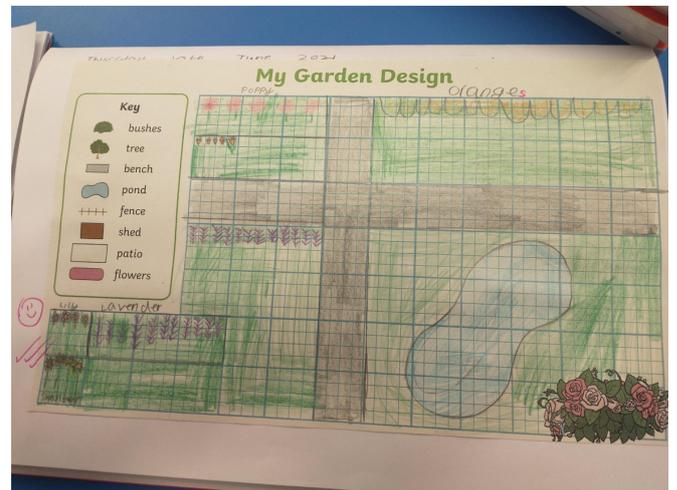
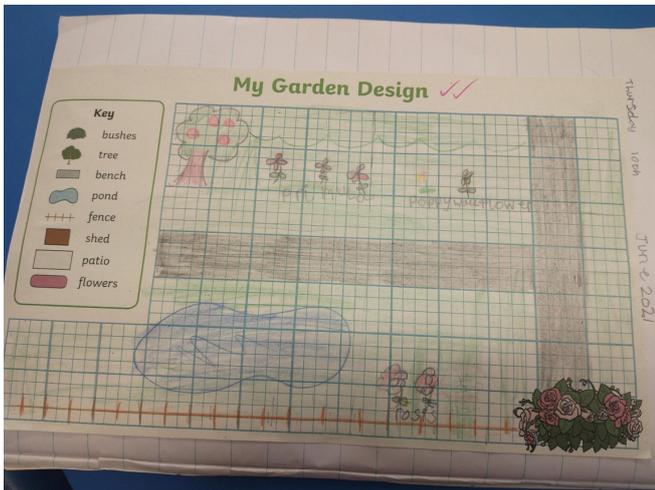
Nursery children have been reading "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" by Michael Rosen. They used the small world tuff tray to retell the story and even went on their own Bear Hunt in the Sunshine Garden!

Reception children have been learning about 3D shapes and whether they stack or roll. Here's Harry F evaluating his stacked shapes carefully.

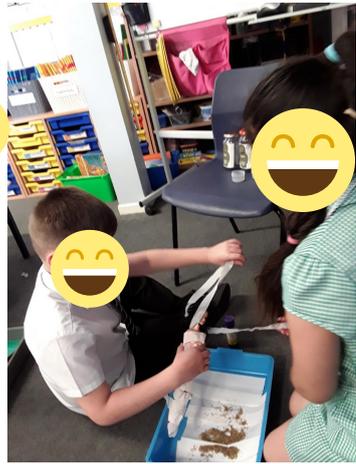




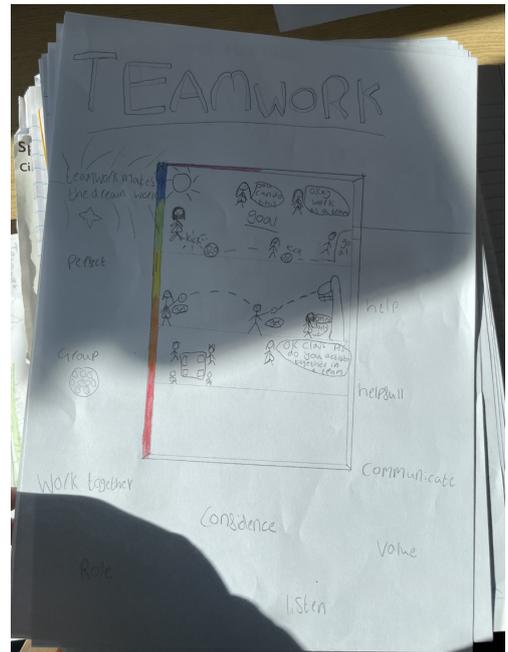
This week Year 1 have been learning about different types of homes in Geography. The children have worked really hard to design a house for Barnaby Bear. Here are some designs from Luca, Oscar and Alfie L.



Year 2 looked at garden plants in science this week. They designed their own gardens and added their chosen plants.

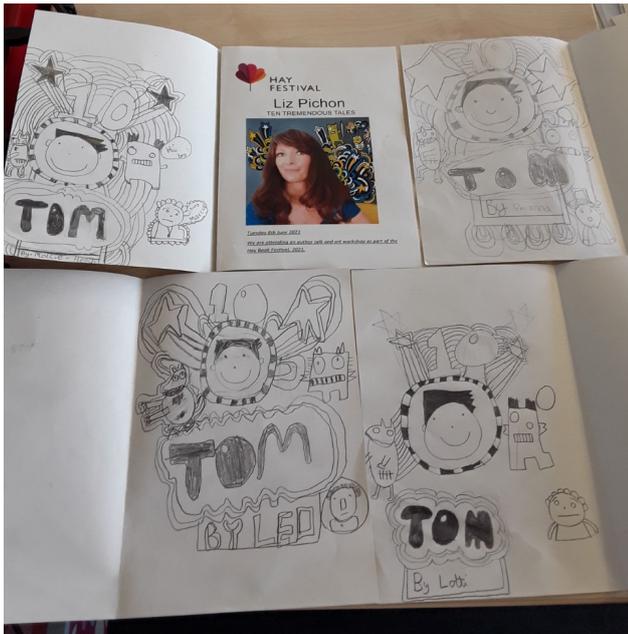


Year 3 have been investigating mummification this week and even mummified a doll. (They know not to practise this with any siblings at home!)

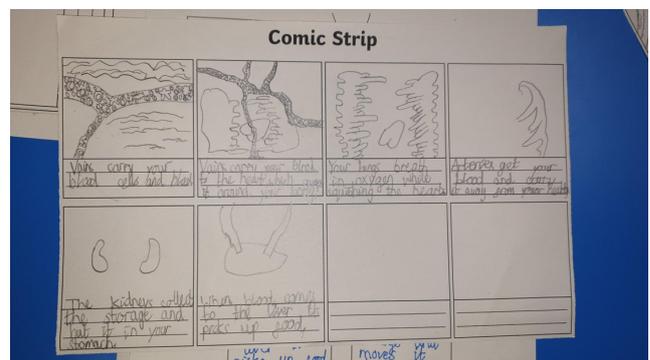
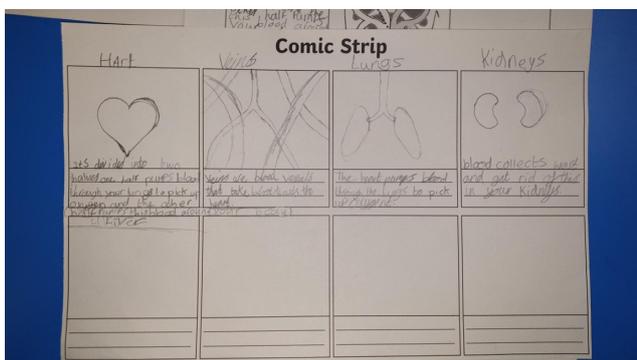
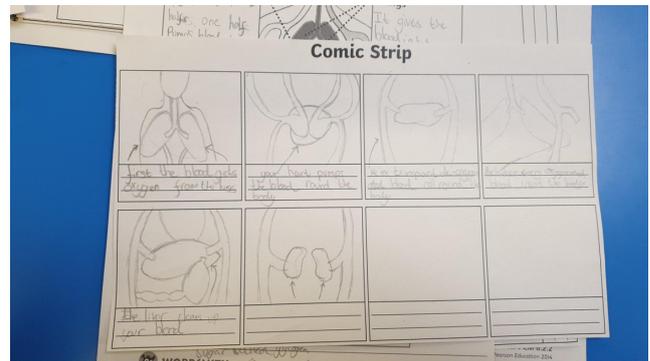
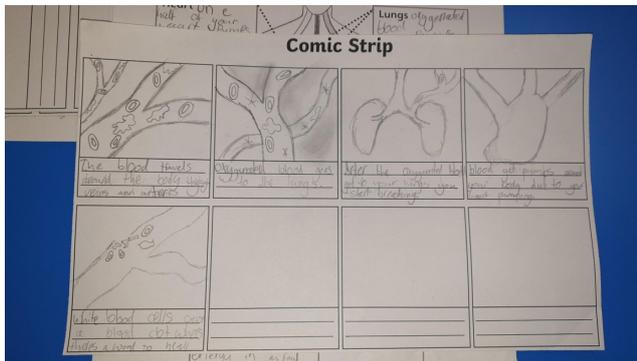


In Year 4 the children have been working hard this week. Look at this beautifully drawn butterfly by Maja in art this week.

Here is some great work on teamwork by Jessica M linking PSHE and PE together nicely.



This week Year 5 experienced a workshop and talk from Liz Pichon (the author of the Tom Gates books) all about her work. Here are some images they created as a result.



Year 6 have been learning about the circulatory system and have created comic strip to help plan their writing as they prepare to apply their knowledge and explain all about it in their own words.