

Templenewsam

Learning

Superstars



BOWLING

This half term, a group of children took part in a bowling competition at Hollywood Bowl. For some of the children it was their first-time trying bowling and everyone had lots of fun. The children did brilliantly and scored lots of strikes and spares, they cheered each other on and showed sportsmanship and teamwork. The children were extremely proud of their medals at the end!

Junior Duke

The Year Three Junior Duke club has successfully completed their first mission!! The challenge was to use papier-mâché to create a wonderful model. Due to the timing of the year, we decided to create a Christmas tree bauble. We began the exciting mission by covering a balloon in papier-mâché, painting it and finally, we used glitter and sequins to create lots of Christmas sparkle!



Remembrance Assembly

All children in school took part in a one-minute silence to mark remembrance in November. In the assembly each year group presented work that had been done in class including artwork and poetry.





KS1
Disco



KS2
Disco



EYFS
Panto

SUPER!

Nursery

This term, we have thoroughly enjoyed our topic of Light and Dark and Celebrations!

We enjoyed learning about Diwali, we loved to explore the clay to make our own diwa lamps. The clay was super sticky but we enjoyed using our hands and tools to mould it.



COOL!

We have loved cooking, and the vegetable soup was very popular. We even cut and peeled our own vegetables... we had to be very careful!



We have worked super hard on our Christmas celebrations; we have worked hard to create our own musical instruments and learnt some new Christmas songs. We loved to welcome parents in and display our hard work.

We have loved being outdoors! We have loved using the trim trail so that we can take some risks. This has really helped to develop our core muscles and gross motor skills. Being outdoors helps us in so many ways and we have become more confident to explore the outdoor area including the Forest School. We are working hard to do things for ourselves, eg, change into our wellie boots.



SUPER!

RECEPTION
Magpies &
Emperors



We had a fantastic time celebrating at our Christmas disco! The children enjoyed dancing, party games and had their face painted.



COOL!

We have loved exploring length in the construction area. The children have measured themselves using different blocks. It has been lovely to watch the children build on their mathematical learning during independent play.



We have become storytellers in Reception! The children's imaginations have run wild in the small world area. They have created wonderful environments for their story settings and acted out books we have shared as a class.



As part of our Understanding of the World topic we have been learning about the festival of Diwali. The children have made Diwali lamps, explored dancing styles from around the world and Mr Singh joined us to tell the story of Rama and Sita.



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YEAR
ONE

Admirals &
Starfish

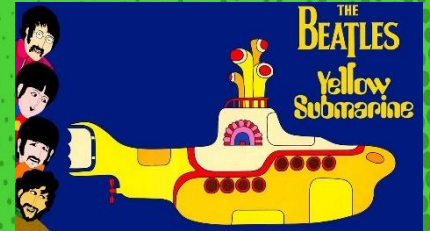
Year 1 talked about what special events we celebrate. We thought about birthdays, weddings and christenings, as well as Christmas, Easter and New Year. We agreed celebrations often include a party, gifts, special food and seeing friends and family. We had our own party in the classroom with games and a biscuit.

We also talked about some celebrations that are about saying thank you, for example Remembrance Day.

We had fun making a friendship web: when Suzi Spider's web came your way, you chose someone in the class to thank for something.

COOL!

As part of our DT and History topics, we have been discussing toys, new and old and the materials they are made from. In DT, we have been designing our own toys. We have looked at suitable shapes, fabrics and what is the best way to join fabric and trimmings. The children have begun learning how to use a needle and thread to sew together material and to attach a button. We hope to have the finished product ready by the end of term.



YEAR
TWO

Wildcats &
Moorhens

SUPER!

Computing – taking photos
Our Computing focus for this half term has been taking photos and editing images. We thought about which devices can take photographs and then had a go at taking a good photo and a bad photo. We will let you decide which is which in these photos below!



COOL!

Bun Sale

At the very end of last half term, we had a Halloween themed bun sale. It was a huge success and really well supported by Year 2 parents and children who donated and bought buns from our stall. It was a great way to kickstart our *Grow* £5 project. Watch this space for more events!



We have been working hard in Maths lessons this half term. We have been using base 10 to aid our understanding of adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers. The children have made really good progress with this. We are very proud of them.



Three Little Pigs

Our writing focus this half term has been based around the traditional tale *The Three Little Pigs*. We started by acting out the story that we all know so well, then we have looked at *The Real Story of the Three Little Pigs* (a twist on the usual story). The children really enjoyed writing about both stories and have produced some superb writing.



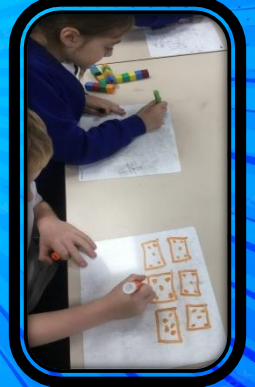
SUPER!

YEAR

THREE

Dolphins &
Woodpeckers

In Year 3 we have been looking at equal groups to help us with multiplication. The children have enjoyed completing this practically and applying it in their times tables knowledge. We have used arrays to show how multiplication can be commutative.



COOL!

This half term Year 3 have been on a trip to Skeleton Grange where they had an immersive stone age experience. They spend half the day in the role of hunter, by learning how important it was for the stone age hunter to be stealthy and accurate. The rest of their day was spend being in the role of gatherer. They learnt how to build dens, make and decorate clay pots and how meals were made a prepared in the stone age. They had an amazing day and it was a fabulous hook for our history topic.



Year 3 have loved having Mr Elvin for their music lessons. They have played tuned percussion and have learnt how to play 'All You Need is Love' by the Beatles. The children have taken this very seriously and have loved the song choice!



Science lessons have been very interesting in Year 3. Looking at the properties of rocks has really captured the children's interest. Once they had explored the rocks and tested them, the children thought of ways the rocks could be used in everyday life, and which rocks would be most suitable for different purposes like roofing, creating statues and making kitchen worktops.



SUPER!

YEAR

FOUR

Owls & Wolves

To commemorate Remembrance Day we painted poppies and wrote poems. We also looked at artefacts and photos from the First and Second World Wars. We used all of this to make our amazing display.



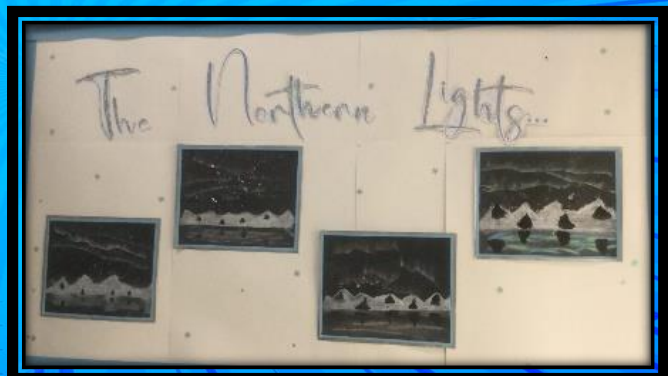
COOL!



In DT we made Pudsey Bear or Roz the Robot masks that stood up and had a light up part. We used our knowledge of electrical circuits to make the bulb flash on and off.



We used different techniques in art to produce pictures about The Northern Lights.



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YEAR

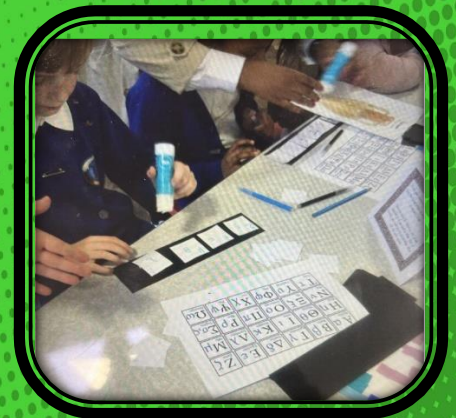
FIVE

Bees &

Glow-worms

As part of our History learning, Year 5 prepared a Greek Museum for parents and carers. In art, we made Greek pots to sell at the gift shop as part of enterprise project. At the museum we took part in a range of activities with our adults. We made Ancient Greek crowns, wrote our names in the Greek alphabet, made mosaics and decorated pots using watercolours. It was a lovely afternoon! Thank you to parents and carers for your support and contributions to our Grow £5 project.

COOL!



To celebrate Christmas and as part of our official extravaganza, Year 5 and 6 have made Christingles.

To commemorate Remembrance Day, Year 5 went on a walk to the Halton Memorial. We held a two-minute silence to think about those that have lost their lives. We also had a visit from Mr Squires, who is a member of the armed forces. Bravely, Mr Squires answered our questions and gave a real-life account of the commitment and dedication needed.

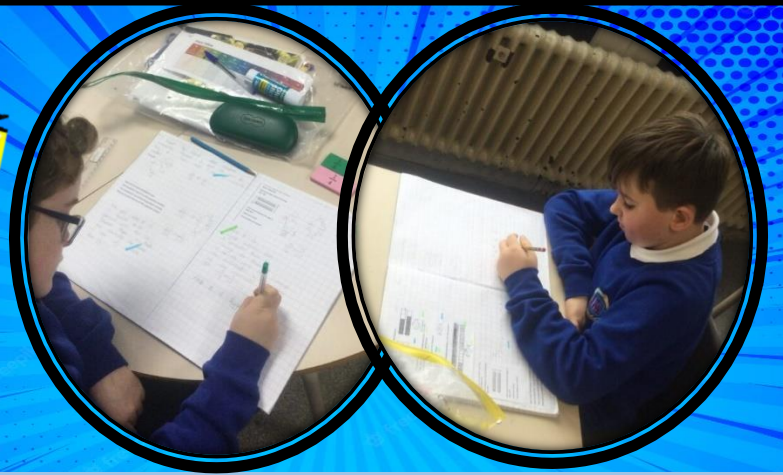


SUPER!

YEAR

SIX

Grasshoppers &
Lizards

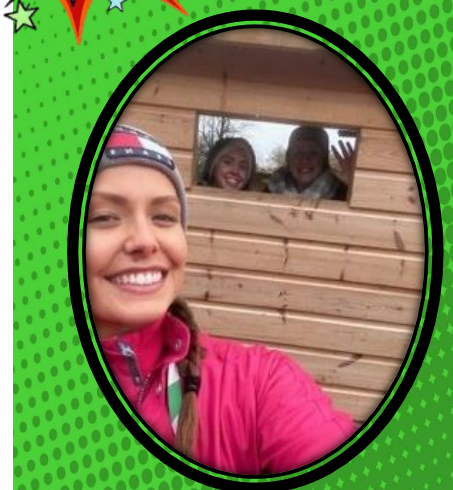


In maths, we have been learning all about fractions. We have added, subtracted, multiplied and divided fractions! we have used practical equipment to secure our understanding. The question is, would you rather a quarter, a third or half of a pizza?

COOL!



This half term our DT topic linked to other learning in History about WW2. We looked at how people living in the war had to 'Make do and Mend' by reusing clothes and not being able to buy new things easily. We tried this out by making Mobile Phone holders using material from old clothes. We had to use accurate measuring, cutting and sewing and add finishing touches such as buttons or other fastener.



Wow, what an amazing time we had on residential. It seems like such a long time ago now! We participated in so many activities. We wish we could all go again. The best thing was being outside in the fresh air, working with our friends and having fun!



SUPER!

OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Noah and Jeff have been learning how to snowboard!! Noah has completed his level 4 award and Jeff has completed his level 1 award!



COOL!

Charlie, Year 4 Owls: Worked very hard to get his Purple Belt at his Karate club. Charlie has really put the effort in to get this latest belt.



Freddy, Year 1, Starfish: Moved onto Orange Belt, scored excellently on the day.



Well done to Freya who has passed her British Gymnastics Proficiency Award for Level 3.

Well Done to Archie for all his hard work at East Leeds Rugby Club



Well done to Lucas for his achievements in diving.





Amazing work from Sam, who has done 14 tombolas this year to raise funds for St Gemma.



The Lord Mayor came to see Eliana and Violet in St Vincent's Pantomime called



Welcome to TNHPS



We have had a wonderful, fun filled Christmas in school. The children have all made a tremendous effort with their Christmas Performance and we could not be prouder of each and everyone of them.

There have been numerous parties and celebrations where the children have danced, played games and had plenty of fun!



EYFS Nativity

The Reception children put on a fabulous show of Whoopsie-Daisy-Angel for their Christmas performance. They looked and sounded amazing!

KS1 Nativity

A big thank you to all the children and staff in Key Stage One for their fantastic Nativity last week. The children did beautifully. The bravery of some of our tiniest children was astonishing. Special mention to our last-minute narrator who memorised all of his words and stood in for someone else as well. Thank you to Miss Goddard for playing and helping the children learn the songs. It sounded beautiful. Well done everyone!





LKS2 Christmas Performance

Year 3 and 4's showstopping performance had something for everyone. Christmas hits, carols, solo performances, flamboyant presenters, dancers, poignant songs and of course, Santa, his reindeer and his cheeky elves! The children finished with a tableaux of the Nativity, a reminder of the real reason behind Christmas.

UKS2 Christmas Performance

We travelled back in time for our Christmas Extravaganza concert. Starting with the Victorians learning about the traditions that Prince Albert brought over from Germany then travelling to the 1940's to hear about what Christmas was like during WW2. The children then sang songs and shared facts from each decade. When we arrived back in 2023 we were treated to a fantastic drumming medley. We were so proud of all the children!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

HAPPY NEW YEAR