



Summer Term Newsletter Week 26 21st April 2023



Welcome back for summer



SWIMMING LESSONS

All being well, swimming lessons will start next week.

Please make sure your child has a swimming hat and flip flops or crocs in their kit bag.

Years 3 and 4 are extremely excited to perform their fabulous show 'Hoodwinked' to family and friends next week.

All the children have been working incredibly hard to learn lines, lyrics and choreography in order to amaze and entertain.

Each child has brought home 2 tickets for the evening performance on Wednesday 26th April at 6:30pm, and 2 tickets for the morning performance on Thursday 27th April. Due to fire regulations, we cannot offer out any additional tickets, but families are welcome to exchange with each other in order to attend the most convenient performance.

Break a leg years 3 and 4!





Milo — Our School Dog



A successful first day at Hinguar, for Milo our school dog. He attended a meeting with our SECAT CEO, Director of Learning and our Chair of Governors. He then listened to the children read in Year 3, enjoyed a turkey lunch and lots cuddles from the rest of the school.





Tag Rugby Competition

On Wednesday, 12 students from Years 5 and 6 went to Southend Rugby Club to compete in a tag rugby tournament. They played really well winning 3 games and drawing one. Fantastic teamwork as always, excellent defending and some amazing tries.





Avocet Class

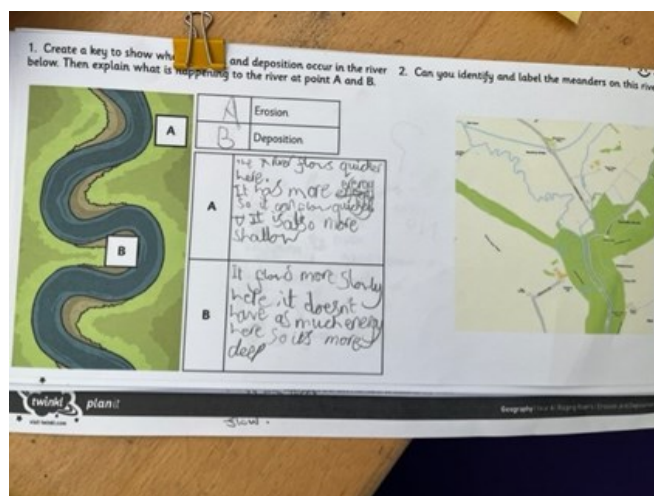
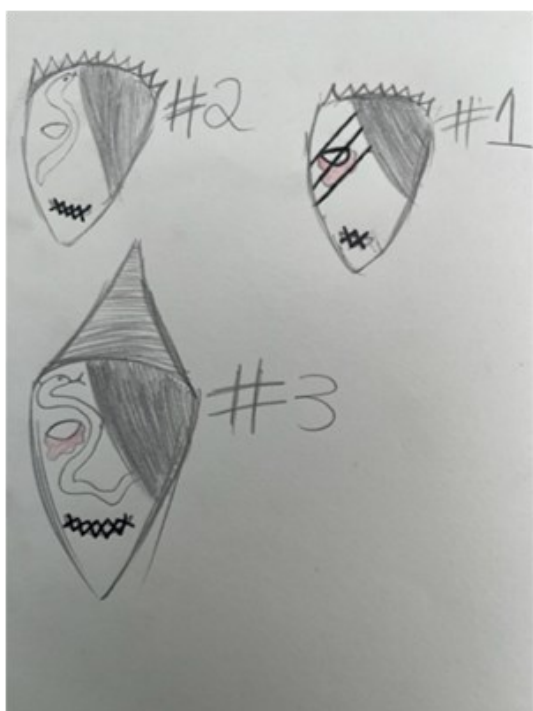
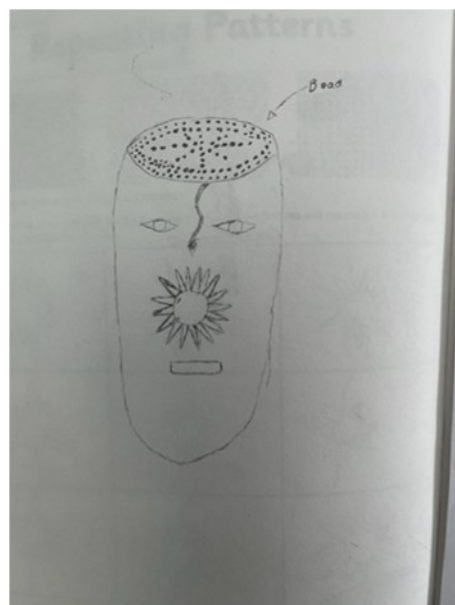


Welcome back Year 6, to your last term at Hinguar! The children have returned with a positive attitude to the last weeks of revision for their upcoming SATs. This week, we have been analysing our mock papers, that were completed before the Easter holidays. We have identified areas of weakness and where we need to focus our revision sessions moving forward.

In English, we have begun a new unit of work based on the animation of Alma. We will be focusing on developing our vocabulary and the techniques for creating imagery within our own writing. In Geography, we have been exploring the processes a river goes through during its journey to the sea. In PE, we have begun our athletics skills in training for the Borough Sports. In Art, we have begun to explore African

masks and to create our own designs.

Mrs Calvy, Mrs Attard and Ms Hardy



Oyster Class

Welcome back, Year 1!

This week, the children have been learning about multiplication. We have discussed multiplication as repeated addition and counted in groups of 2, 5 and 10.

In English this week, we are learning a new story; Katie Morag Delivers the Mail. We have been looking at features of a postcard and writing postcards as a character in role.

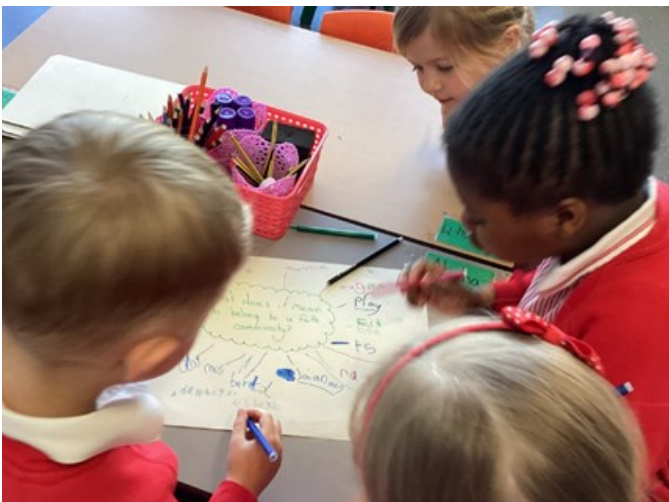
The children have enjoyed participating in lots of drama activities pretending to be characters in the story and answering hot seat questions as the characters in the book.

In RE, we have been asking the question, 'What does it mean to belong to a faith community?' The children started the unit by mind-mapping their thoughts. We will be revisiting these mind maps and adding to them throughout the term.

On Thursday 4th May, we will be visiting the local church. If you would like to accompany us then please let myself or Mrs Merton know by the end of next week.

Well done, Year 1.

Mrs O'Donnell and Mrs Merton



Curlew Class



We have kickstarted the new term by starting a number of new topics/themes.

Our main topic this term is 'Emperors and Empires' and we started learning about the ancient Romans. We identified Italy and Rome on a map of Europe and sequenced the key events of ancient Roman history. We then heard about the legend of Romulus and Remus and the story of how Rome was founded. Everyone is looking forward to a great immersion day next Friday, when we are visited by representative from Portals to the Past.

In science this term, we will be learning about the digestion system within the human body. We started this by considering how food enters the body. We learnt about the different types of teeth we have and the different functions they have.

In PSHE, we are learning to be a 'compassionate class' towards animals. We considered what is meant by being 'compassionate' and watched an RSPCA video to introduce the concept. We also

learnt the 5 basic needs of animals.

Well done, Year 4 for starting our final term so fantastically (as always!)



Our show rehearsals have gone very well this week and we all look forward to welcoming families next week to enjoy the finished result.

Have a fabulous weekend you fabulous foursies.

Miss Eakins and Mrs Edwards



Seahorse Class



This week, our theme has been Space. We began the week by listening to the stories Astro-Girl and Look Up and watched an animation about our solar system. We have learnt that Earth is the third planet from the sun, Mars is known as the 'Red' planet and Saturn has rings made from ice and rocks. We discussed that our solar system is called the Milky Way and that all planets orbit around the Sun at different speeds.

In Literacy, the children have used the sentence starter 'you can jump on the...' to write a space themed sentence. We have enjoyed listening to and discussing the Oliver Jeffers' stories No Way Back and How To Catch A Star. We have also begun learning Phase 4 within our phonics sessions.



In Maths, we have explored which numbers are teen numbers. We looked for patterns to explain why certain numbers were teen numbers and found that they all ended with -teen, when written they all began with a 1 (which really represented 10) and they followed the same order as 3-9. The children then ordered numbers 1-20, before Mrs Newman tricked them to see if they could see the mistakes she had made when rearranging the sequence.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who joined us for a spaced themed open morning. We hope you enjoyed making rocket fruit kebabs, experimenting with dancing planets in a plate, creating a solar system and moulding with moon rock play dough. The children took great pleasure participating in these activities with you.



Throughout the week, the children have acted out a Now Press Play space story, role-played in the space station, created rainbow-coloured potions and made pictures



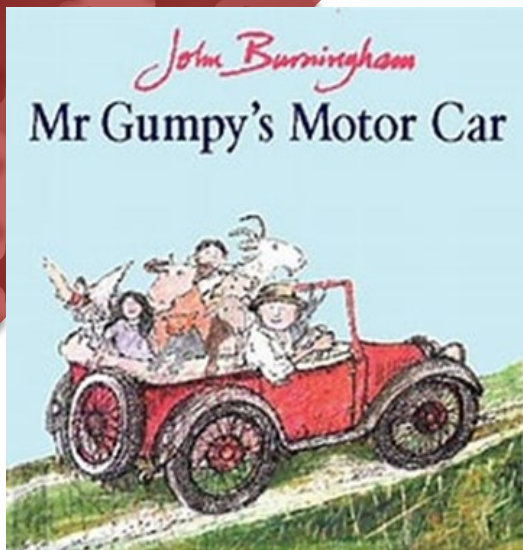
with the new Tap-a-Shape equipment.

Mrs Newman,
Mrs Penny and
Mrs Mota





Starfish Class



Our topic for the summer term is 'Are We There Yet?'

This week in Starfish class our story focus has been Mr. Gumpy's Motor Car.

We have been discussing different types of weather and have been looking closely at the similarities and differences between old fashioned and modern cars.

We explored what happens when we mix water to dry materials. The children enjoyed creating their own mud for the cars to get stuck in by mixing water and crushed breakfast cereal.

We have been focusing on the initial sounds in our names. The children had great fun using a car to make marks. The wheels made great tyre tracks as they drove around their initial letter. We then thought about other words that have the same initial sound.

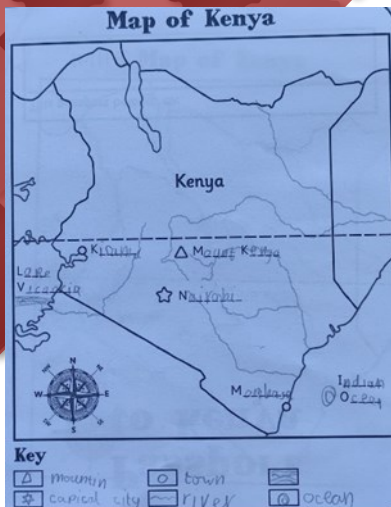
Our story focus next week will be 'Duck In A Truck.'

Well done, Starfish class on another busy week of fun and learning.

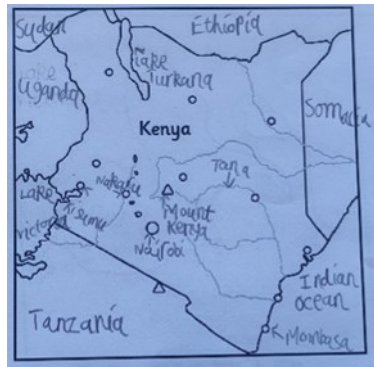




Seagull Class



This week, we have started our Amazing Africa topic. We used our new world map wall art to locate Africa and then looked more closely at Kenya. We explored some facts about Kenya and labelled rivers, lakes, towns, cities and surrounding areas.



In English this week, we have been exploring the book 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. We have been thinking about our vocabulary choices, and ways we can make our writing more engaging for the reader.

The rainbow fireworks burst up into the dark black sky and crashed, clattered and made a sizz sound. In the sky I can hear popping, pining, fireworks flashing and sizzling, zooming, zipping in the dark sky.

Worriedly, Plop stretched his wings and ~~slowly~~ ^{carefully} swooped down. "Do you like the dark?" asked Plop. "Yes because you get to see the zooming, sizzling fireworks. Do you want to come to the fireworks display?" When Plop arrived he told his mum I want to go outside. "Because the boy said that fireworks were super super amazing."

A baring, bash in the sky.
A zooming zig zag zooms across the sky.
whistling, whooshes wiss through the air.
I can see pretty popping fireworks in the reflection in the river.
crackling, crackling fireworks in the night sky.

Curiously, Plop pushed out his chest and gradually glided down. "Do you like the dark?" asked Plop. "Yes!" I love the dark because I can watch the fireworks exploding, sizzling, sizzling. Do you want to go to the fireworks display?" Plop jumped back up to the nest and asked his mum if he could see the display. His mum said he could see it.

A great week, well done Year 2!

Mrs Oakley, Miss Brailsford and Mrs Tarling

Sanderling Class



A fantastic week to start our last term in Year 5!

We started the week admiring our new wall vinyl outside our classroom: The world map and historical timeline. The children used the map to find modern day Greece and looked at where it was compared to



the United Kingdom. This proved a great way to introduce Ancient Greece as our new History topic in the summer term, looking into how Ancient Greece has changed from a Civilisation to a country.

The timeline also allowed us to visualise chronology recapping Anglo Saxons and Vikings.

In Geography, we started our new topic, Magnificent Mountains. We discussed our prior knowledge of mountains and children shared their experiences/ aims for the future. Many children set their goals on Mount Snowdon! We then looked at mountain ranges in an atlas, starting with the United Kingdom and expanding to Europe. The children were so engaged and equally excited when they found a new mountain on the map, comparing the locations and height.

In English, we have started a new unit linking back to our previous topic of space. During the next three weeks, we are placing a heavy focus on vocabulary choice. This week, we have looked at alliterative dialogue, suffix power of three and feelings portrayed through Luna, a space cadet who lives with her father and has a vast imagination.

In Maths, we started shape. estimating, measuring and drawing angles. Whilst initially finding this difficult. They were fantastic and showed lots of determination.



Miss Mountier and Mrs Allen



Heron Class



It's been a very dramatic week for our Harmonious Herons with lots and lots of singing and rehearsing. The children have all done such an amazing job learning their lines and the *MANY* different songs in our production, that everyone is now very excited about next week's performance. The children will be performing a full dress rehearsal to their siblings and friends in school on Monday afternoon, in preparation for the big shows on Wednesday and Thursday.

In English, the children have had a week of grammar revision and in Maths they have been learning about volume and capacity. In Geography, they started their new topic *Rumble in the Jungle*, and used atlases to locate a plethora of countries around the world that contain rainforests. They even managed to get outside onto their balcony to enjoy their quiet reading time in the sun – roll on summer, we are ready for you!

Have a fabulous weekend,
Mrs Emmings and Mrs Tarling

School Menu

Week commencing: 27/02, 20/03, 24/04, 15/05, 12/06, 03/07,						
WEEK 1		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Meat	Shepherd's pasty, new potatoes and peas	Salmon mac & cheese with broccoli	Roast Turkey, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Sweet beef con carne, brown rice & sweetcorn	Jumbo Cod fish finger, chips, beans, spaghetti loops or peas
	Vegetarian /Vegan	Cheese and onion pasty, new potatoes and peas	Mac & cheese with broccoli	Roast vegan Quorn fillet, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Sweet lentil con carne, brown rice and sweetcorn	Vegan fishless fish finger, chips, beans, spaghetti loops or peas
	Jacket Potato	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo
	Dessert	Cookie or Jelly	Brownie or Jelly	Jelly	Fruit crumble & cream or Jelly	Ice cream sponge roll or Jelly

Important Information about MCAS

All dinner bookings and payments for Hinguar Primary School will be via *MCAS*.
***IRIS ParentMail* is no longer in use.**

The Dinners option and the Clubs & Trips option will be accessible via the menu in the MCAS app and via a web browser.

If you do not have access to *MCAS*, please contact the school office who will be able to send you an *invitation code* and *link* to activate your personal account. **In July, end of year school reports will be available to access via MCAS. There will be no paper copies issued. Please make sure that you have activated your account before then to receive your child's report.**



Awards and Notices

Catch Me! Awards

This is a system that rewards the children for doing the right thing all the time, whether it be being polite, helpful, ready to learn etc and any adult in the school can award the Catch Me! signatures to the children.



Well done to Lily and Darci-Mae in Heron Class on achieving their Silver Catch Me Awards.

Reading Champions

Well done to Lucia, George, Sammy M, Ayva D and Willow in Oyster Class who are our latest Reading Champions.

If you would like to be awarded a Reading Champion badge, you must read a selection of challenging books from a variety of genres and then write a short review of ONE book that you have read. We have plenty more badges waiting to be handed out so let's see who will be next! We thank all families for their continued support in enabling our children to be Reading Champions and in fostering a love of reading.



'Together We Achieve.'

Times Tables

Congratulations to Amelia in Oyster Class and Louie, Grayson, Brooke, Cody, Kayden, Tommy and Eddie in Seagull Class on achieving their Bronze Times Tables Certificate.

Congratulations to Issy, Bjorn, Felicity, Olive, Ella, Niamh, Hollie, Paddy, Laurence, Mattas, Vinnie, Zaha, Henry and Toby in Seagull Class on achieving their Silver Times Tables Certificate.

Congratulations to Ayva D, Lucia and Amelia in Oyster Class on achieving their Gold Times Tables Certificate.





AWARDS

Ashley Banjo



Mo Farah



Ellie Simmonds



Jamie Oliver



Student of the Week

Award Board

**Avocet Class—
Grace**

**Sanderling Class—
Jack**

**Curlew Class—
Alice**

**Heron Class—
Buddy**

**Seagull Class—
Kayden**

**Oyster Class —
Sammy V**

**Seahorse Class—
Hudson**

Race to the Park

The winning classes for half term are rewarded with a trip to the local park. The winners of the race this term are,
KS1 Seahorse Class having attendance of 98.33%
and in KS2 Curlew 97.41%.

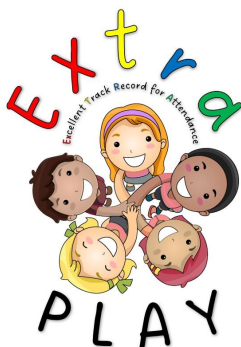


100% Attendance and Punctuality Prize

Each week, during our celebration assembly, we congratulate good attendance as a whole class.

This week in KS1, Alice the Bunny was won by Seahorse Class with 98.33% and KS2 the attendance cup was awarded to Curlew Class with 97.41%.

The classes will be rewarded with an extra turn on the play equipment.





St Luke's Centre, Southend
Wednesdays, 4.30-5.10pm - 5-9yrs
Wednesdays, 5.15-6pm - 10-14yrs
St Lukes Centre, Saint Lukes Road,
Southend, SS2 4AB

Cost £12 per six week term only, available to book online.

Please contact Keeley on Tel: 01702 475700
or email: contact@yoga4all.co • www.yoga4all.co

Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

Inset Days for Academic Year 22022/23

21st July 2023.

Term Dates 2022 / 23

Summer Term 17 April 2023 – 21 July 2023

May Day Bank Holiday 1st May 2023

Half Term 30 May – 2 June

King's Coronation Bank Holiday May 8th 2023

Summer term dates (updates in red)

Avocet class open morning

24th April 2023 9.15—10.15

Gifted and Talented History workshop (pupils only)

25th April 2023—pm

Starfish class parent open morning

26th April 2023 9.15—10.15

Years 3 & 4 production

26th April 2023 @ 6.30pm and 27th April 2023 @ 9.30am

Y4 Roman Day

28th April 2023

Gifted and Talented Science workshop (pupils only)

2nd May 2023—pm

Creative Dance Festival

3rd May 2023 9.30—12.00

VR Workshop Yrs 3, 4, 5

4th May 2023 (in school)

Non-uniform day and themed lunch (King's Coronation)

5th May 2023

Bank Holiday (re: King's Coronation)

8th May 2023

Gifted and Talented Geography workshop (pupils only)

9th May 2023—pm

Year 6 SATs week

9th—12th May 2023 (change of dates due to the Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation)

Heron class parent open morning

15th May 2023 9.15—10.15

Gifted and Talented RE workshop (pupils only)

16th May 2023—pm

Y6 My Future, My Southend—Hospitality

16th May 2023 pm (in school)

Curlew class parent open morning

17th May 2023 9.15—10.15

Gifted and Talented PE workshop (pupils only)

18th May 2023—pm

KS2 Music Festival area rehearsal

22nd—26th May (date tbc)

Oyster class parent open morning

24th May 2023 9.15—10.15

Gifted and Talented Outdoor Learning workshop (pupils only) 6th June 2023—pm

Class photos

7th June 2023

Gifted and Talented MFL workshop (Yrs 3-6 only)

8th June 2023—pm



Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

Summer Term contd (updates in red)

FOH Coffee Morning (Women's Health)	9th June after morning drop off
KS2 Music Festival	12th - 16th June 2023 (date tbc)
Father's Day stalls	12th, 13th, 14th June 2023 (lunchtimes)
Gifted and Talented Music workshop (pupils only)	13th June 2023—pm
Gifted and Talented DT workshop (pupils only)	15th June 2023—pm
KS2 Music Festival	16th June 2023 (evening performance)
Year 4 Lullingstone Roman Villa visit	20th June 2023
Gifted and Talented Reading workshop (pupils only)	20th June 2023—pm
Sanderling class parent open morning	21st June 2023 9.15—10.15
Pupil Advocate meeting	23rd June 2023
Sports Day and Picnic Lunch	26th June 2023
Gifted and Talented Writing workshop (pupils only)	27th June 2023—pm
Yrs 4, 5 & 6 My Future, My Southend—STEM	27th June 2023 pm (in school)
Y3 My Future, My Southend—STEM	29th June 2023 pm (in school)
Assessment Week	3rd—7th July 2023
Gifted and Talented PSHE/RSHE workshop (pupils only)	4th July 2023—pm
Gifted and Talented Art workshop (pupils only)	6th July 2023—pm
Year 6 Transition Day	7th July 2023 (all day)
Meet New Teachers (Yrs R—5)	7th July 2023 (am only)
FOH Summer Fete	8th July 11am - 3pm
Reserve Sports Day	10th July 2023 (change of date)
SECAT Community Day	21st July 2023

Term Dates for Academic Year 2023-2024

Autumn Term: Friday 1st September 2023—Wednesday 20th December 2023

Half Term: 23rd October –27th October

Spring Term: Thursday 4th January 2024—Thursday 28th March 2024

Half Term 19th February –23rd February

Summer Term: Monday 15th April 2024—Monday 22nd July 2024

Half term 27th May –31 May, and May Bank Holiday 6th May

Inset Days 2023/24

Friday 1st September 2023

Monday 30th October 2023

Friday 16th February 2024

Friday 28th June 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Please note that school, including Nursery, will close to pupils at 1:00pm on Wednesday 20th December 2023 and Friday 19th July 2024. There will be revised lunchtimes on these days. Breakfast club will run as normal on these dates, but there will be no after school club.