

### Turtle and Starfish Class

This week in Turtles class we have been reading Zoom, Rocket, Zoom by M Mayo and talking about rockets. We looked at the pictures in the book and the stars and planets. Then we had black paper and chalk in the tuff tray to try to draw stars. We did a Zoom, Zoom Zoom We 're Going to the Moon dough disco and learnt the song. In our small world we had toy rockets and astronauts to use our imaginations. To develop our fine motor control we used star cutters in the playdough and used starry, sparkly water to fill and empty. We made our very own fruit rockets by threading fruit on to a skewer carefully and then ate them. Outside we pretended to be rockets and made rockets with the big bricks. In our maths we counted down from five to blast off and looked and the shapes and colours of the planets. We used a parachute to explore up and down and made the balls fly up saying 1,2,3, fly up! Next week our book will be planes, planes, planes. Mrs Cochrane, Ms Burgess and Mrs Loe



This week in Starfish class we have been reading the story Whatever next? The children have been using their imaginations just like the character in the story, pretending a cardboard box is something else! We enjoyed exploring our own cardboard box and had some fascinating discussions about what it could be. The children showed great imagination and commented it could be a bus, a helicopter, a boat or a plane. In the garden we have been zooming and blasting off in our space rockets with lots of counting and sequencing of numbers. The children have also been using their imaginations to create pictures, representations and models using 2d and 3d shapes. These included a Disney hotel, skateboards, and bowling skittles. We watched a real rocket launch and have been creating lunar crafts and space puppets whilst developing our vocabulary, learning and using words such as astronaut, satellite, galaxy and asteroid.


Next week our story focus will be Handa's Surprise

Well done Starfish Class on another fantastic week of fun and learning.


Mrs. Brant. Mrs Attard, Mrs Bowser, Ms Burgess and Mrs Edwards.



## Seahorse




This week, our theme has been Space. We began the week by looking at the planets, comets, meteors, asteroids and stars. 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 have also discovered that the sun was a star and not a planet



We have explored what an astronaut does in space. We discovered that it takes years to train to be an astronaut, the word means 'star sailor' and that they perform scientific experiments when in space. The children were fascinated to learn that astronauts float due to zero gravity. We watched a space shuttle launch; Neil Armstrong walking on the moon and took a virtual space tour. We explored the different parts of an astronaut's suit. We have also looked at the following astronauts Mae Jemison, Helen Sharman and Major Tim Peake.

We have listening to the story Look Up, Winnie in Space and The Smeds and The Smoos, before watching an animation about our solar system. The children have watched Blippi learn to become an astronaut and the Cbeebies animation Lunar Jim.

In Literacy, the children have been verbally creating their own sentence from a space photo stimulus, before writing it in their books.



In Maths, we have been exploring numbers past 20. We listened to the story 'One is a snail, Ten is a crab' which represents numbers to 100 using a variety of animals and their legs! We have looked at the pattern of numbers higher than 20 and recognised that the number of 10's does not change until you have 1 more than 9.

Throughout the week, the children have made space passports, astronaut puppets, role-played as spacemen, moulded with glittery play dough and enjoyed the warmer weather on the play deck.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Newman, Mrs Penny, and Mrs Bowser



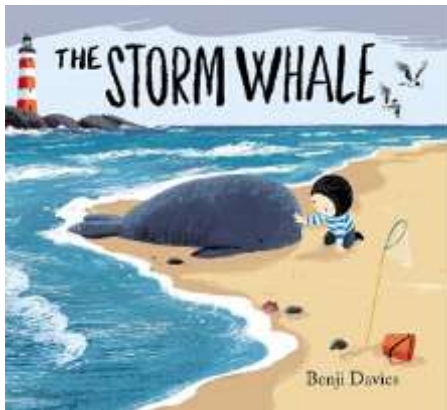
## Oyster Class

This week we have been looking at our local area in both science and geography. In science we have continued focusing on plants. We discussed the terms wild-flowers and garden plants and explored what this meant. Then we went on a plant hunt in our school grounds. The children enjoyed discovering plants around them and commented that they hadn't noticed them before. The children were able to name some common flowers and describe them using correct names for the parts of the plant.



In our English lessons this week we have been looking at the story of The Storm Whale. The children talked about how they would look after the whale. Ideas included giving it salmon to eat, reading it bedtime stories and even giving it a milkshake!

The children imagined what it might be like to be out in a fishing boat during a storm. They generated some lovely vocabulary describing how it might feel, what they would hear and what they would see.



Great work Year 1!

## Seagull Class

This week in Year 2, we have been busy learning all about unit fractions, non-unit fractions and equivalent fractions. The children were fabulous at explaining their ideas and showing their understanding we were so impressed with their confidence and enthusiasm!

In English, we have been thinking about twisted tales and exploring how we could mash up traditional stories we already know to create exciting new endings. The children have loved coming up with imaginative ideas and putting their own creative spin on familiar tales.

In Art, the children have been learning about festivals in preparation for making masks later in the term. They have really enjoyed exploring this topic and are looking forward to creating their own colourful designs.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs O'Donnell, Mrs Mota and Miss Calvy



## Heron Class

In English this week, we have completed our sentence stacking lessons. We have moved on to planning our own letters, ready for our independent write.

In maths, we have begun our new unit on mass and capacity. We have been doing lots of practice on understanding scales.

In science this week, we have looked at parts of a plant and each function.

In P.E, we focussed on sprints. We identified why it is important to have good technique when running. We shared some ideas as to what good technique looks like, and we put this knowledge into practice when we completed some races.



In history, we have been looking at the Mayan Civilisation. We have had plenty of interesting discussions surrounding the topic and it has been lovely to see their curiosity and engagement so far.

Finally, on Tuesday, we took part in a 'Show Racism the Red Card' workshop. It was focussed on racism and discrimination. The session was incredibly engaging and Heron class were able to consider how we can treat everybody as to how they want to be treated, irrespective of somebody's background.

We then made some posters to showcase our knowledge.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Venables and  
Mrs Merton



# Curlew Class

This week, we have been delighted to welcome the gorgeous Lili to our class. She was excitedly welcomed by everyone and will be another lovely asset to our already fabulous class.

On Tuesday (along with the other KS2 classes), we took part in a fantastic workshop led by Paul from Show Racism the Red card. Following the session, the children demonstrated their understanding by creating posters to continue to raise awareness about this essential comprehension. Lots of them incorporated the key message of "Treat others how they want to be treated," and 6 of these have now been enlarged and are displayed on the main staircase in the atrium of the school.



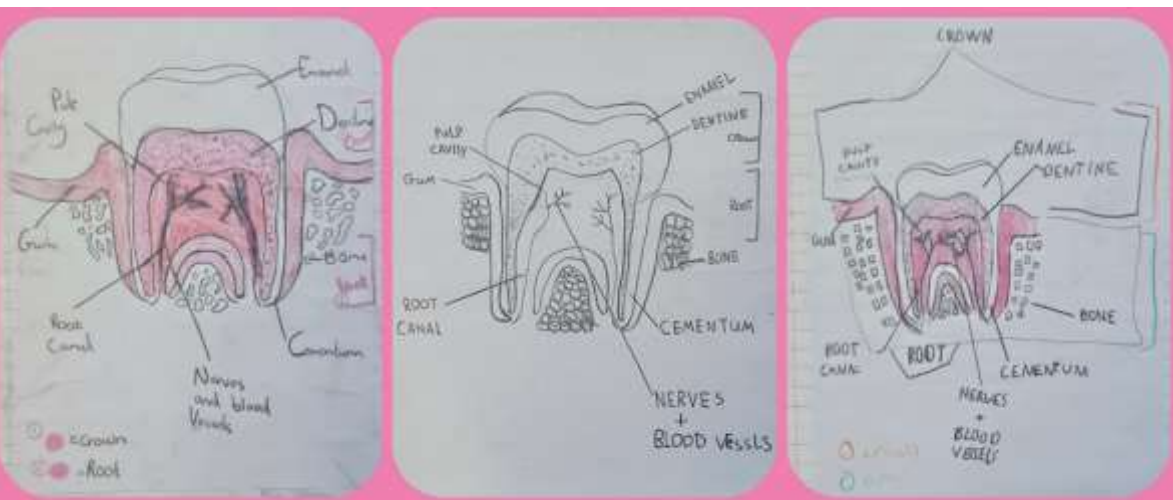
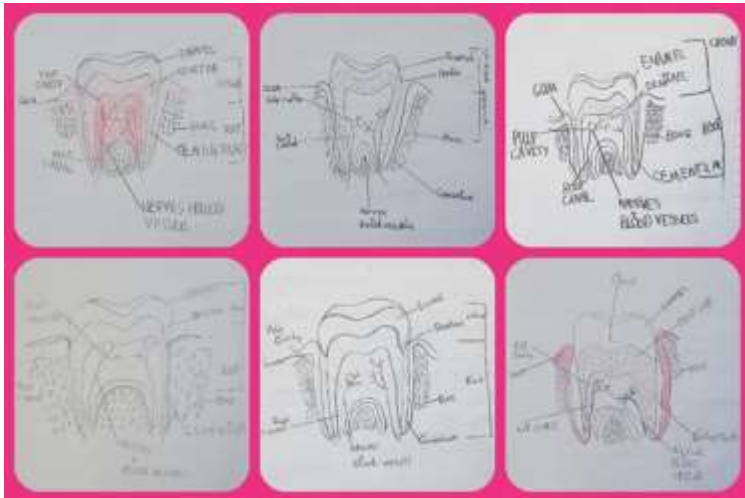
In Science, we continued our learning about human teeth.

This week, we learnt about the layers of a tooth. The children followed a YouTube video to draw and label a cross section of a tooth and then answered questions to reinforce their understanding.

Well done fabulous foursies for (yet another) successful week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Eakins, Miss Brailsford, Mrs Mistry and Mrs Allen



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## Sanderling Class



This week has been a fast and furious week for Year 5. The children had another session with SUFC as part of their six week Move and Learn programme. In English, they continued to work on their adventure narratives and in Maths they have continued with their work on angles and shape. In Geography, they located British mountain ranges and began creating some contour models. They also had a fabulous workshop called *Show Racism the Red Card*.

As always, a wonderful week of learning. Have a great weekend and take care,  
Mrs Emmings, Miss Walpole and Mrs Allen.



## Avocet Class

This week Year 6 took part in an interesting workshop called Show Racism the Red Card. It was based around racism in football, but also explored how this is experienced in the wider world. There were discussions around stereotypes and assumptions people make. Key language was discussed and defined with the differences between discrimination and racism highlighted.

In RE, we explored some key words and symbols from the Hindu religion. The children drew on their previous knowledge and extended their current learning.

Mrs Calvy, Ms Hardy and Miss Brailsford

