

GARBOLDISHAM SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Church Art Competition



Garboldisham Church Primary School children recently took part in an art competition run by the social committee of St John the Baptist Church. Each class chose a subject to base their work on but the whole theme was Pointillism (artwork using dots). The work was displayed beautifully in the church during their annual fete.

The photograph shows the winners – one in each year group – with Mr Martin Stockdale, a school governor.
Thank you to the organisers for asking our children to take part and for giving such generous prizes.

'Gold Book' celebrations

In this space we celebrate children who have recently been entered into the 'Gold Book' for all sorts of reasons, but particularly for good, kind, helpful, thoughtful and caring behaviour. We think all of our children behave well but sometimes the acts of individuals require special recognition. We are pleased to say that some children appear in the 'Gold Book' more than once.

Well done to:

Phoebe R, Oliver Ch, Noah H, Haiden, Freya C, Oliver T, Beatrice, Alyssa, Eve, Matilda, Rhiannon, Connor, Erin B, Ruby R, Erin L, Laila, Jacob, Ashtyn, Jonny, Clara, Ruby W, Corey, Iris, Daniel C, Theo, Harry H, Ryan, Freya B, Fraser, Freddie, Sienna, Jess T, Calypso, Freya C, Oliver M, Ella G, Ella-May, Lola, all Year 6, Paige, Reece, Taye, Harvey, Hattie, Maisie, Oskah W, Joshua, Scarlett, Lydia, Ben T and Frankie.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dates for your diary

19th July 1.30pm Leavers Assembly

24th July Graduation Assembly
1pm in Church **School finishes for children today**

Wednesday 4th September
Children return to school

LOW ROPES AND TUNNELS

At Horstead, after a drink and a biscuit, we walked to the tunnel.

One by one we all were led to a room of darkness; which was only lit by a flashlight on our helmets. The instructor led us into a tight tunnel. Most of us went down the longest tunnel and [it wasn't really long] in less than a minute we were back. Harry went out after one go because he got claustrophobic, but most people stayed in. There was also a tunnel going up that only one person found.

Harry and Harvey

Light and Shadows by Cherry Tree class

In Science, Cherry Tree class have been learning about, and experimenting with, light and shadows. If you put a piece of white paper (or a white cat!) into a dark cupboard you won't be able to see it! When it is dark you cannot see because your eyes are not a light source. Your eyes change to help you see when you move from a dark room to a light room and the size of your pupils change too.

We talked about different light sources such as candles, light bulbs, matches, fire and the sun. Different surfaces reflect light. For example, a disco ball bounces light away from it.

In groups we did an experiment with shadows. To make a shadow you have to stand behind the light. If you move the light in and out the shadow will get smaller or bigger. We used a torch to show this and measured the width of the shadow.



ART by Annie, Ruby and Poppy

In Art we do all types of activities, including Pointillism, brush strokes, WW2 Art and so much more. Sometimes we use oil pastels, chalk pastels, paint or pencils. Also we use different materials like paper, card and tissue paper. As part of our homework we designed a poster or collage based piece on the question, IS LIFE IS A DREAM? I think most people in our school enjoy Art because all the art supplies at our school help to make our own Art special.

Sometimes we are lucky enough to have Rosemary Humphries come in to help us. Rosemary is an amazing teacher because she helps everyone if they feel they can't do it. She helps us to believe that we can do it. Rosemary always says, "there's no such thing as not being able to draw!"

Also each year, Year 6 get a delivery of a big sculpture of an animal from Shadwell Stud that they can paint and then it gets entered into a competition. Last year we got a Unicorn and we came second out of all the schools who entered!!

This year the sculpture is an owl.

By the way, if you did not know already, our school likes Art a lot and its really, really, really super fun for everyone.



STARS OF THE WEEK



'Stars of the Week' are chosen each week and announced in assembly. 'Stars' may have produced a particularly good piece of work, they may have done something well, persevered to achieve their aim or been kind and helpful. 'Stars' receive a certificate. Congratulations to our recent Stars'.



Week 14 - Ashtyn, Harvey, Paige, Charlie, Theo, Phoebe R, Jacob
Week 15 - Ruby R, Connor, Frankie, Carter, Megan, Logan, Harry S
Week 16 - Hollie, Rhys, Hattie, Alfie B, Gabriel, Haiden, Maddison
Week 17 - Eva, Ella-May, India, Phoebe J, Matilda, Josh, Erin S, Theo, Dresden

SATs Breakfast Club

During SATs week, we were invited to come in early so we could have breakfast. We were able to choose our own cereal.....there were Lucky Charms, Cookie Crisp, Weetabix and Chocolate Shreddies! We also had an orange juice or apple juice out of a carton.

When we finished we went outside for fifteen minutes. Then half of us did SATS and the others would do their SATS after the first group had done theirs. Then after SATS we would all go and meet up so we could see each other. But we couldn't see each other halfway through because we could have told each other the answers, even though we probably wouldn't. Then for the rest of each day.... we had fun, fun, fun!!

CLUB NEWS

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After School Club runs every afternoon from 3pm to 4pm with different activities each day. All children welcome. £3 per session.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club runs every day in the school hall. Children welcome from 7.45am. £3 a day.

Please see Jo in the office for details.

SPORTS CLUBS

More information next term

Happiness Diaries

In Year 6, throughout this term and last, we have been writing a happiness diary each day. We write something that made us happy each day and then share it with the class and we'll now share some entries with you.

"I am happy because I know that I have tried my best in SATS" – Freya

"Knowing that tomorrow we are going on our residential trip to Horstead and that today is my Oliver play" – Alice

"Knowing that my cat is finally well again after being ill for a long time" – Corin

"What made me happy today was my dog jumping on me to wake me up and licking my face" – Dresden

We enjoy doing this each day and sharing our happy thoughts to all the class.

By Corin

CRICKET

In PE we have been learning about cricket. We have been learning to bowl and bat. Our teacher is Lydia. She plays and coaches for the Garboldisham Cricket Club. At the start she makes us do one or two laps of the field and then we get into a circle and do some stretches. Then we usually do a game like diamond cricket, continuous cricket and sometimes we do batting and bowling. We are very thankful that Lydia is here to teach us.

Julia Jellyfish + Bracken

On 4th June, Julia Fairbrother, also known as Julia Jellyfish, came in to talk to Year 6 about moving to our new high schools. First she gave us all an animal name. They were Ashtyn the alligator, Harvey H the hare, Dresden the dolphin, Harry H the horse and Brayden the baboon etc.. She put a 'very worried' sign up and a 'not worried' sign and we had to choose whether we were worried, not worried or in the middle. We might be worried about all sorts of things going to high school but especially homework and getting lost.

By Brayden and Dresden

MATHS by Gabriel

In maths we've been learning about fractions. The denominator is the bottom part. It tells you how many parts you need to cut your shape into. The numerator, top part, tells you how many parts of your shape you need to shade in.

Before we learnt fractions we were learning squared numbers and cubed numbers. This is how you get squared numbers. For example, you get a 2D shape. If the length is 2 and the width is 45 then you do 2 times 45 which is 90.

If you want to get a cubed number then for example, you get a 3D shape. If the length is 9 and the width is 10 and the height is 10 then you do 9 x 10 x 10. Then you do 10 x 10 which is 100 and times that by 9 that equals 900.

History and Art by Cherry Tree class

In history we have been learning that in the early days they used huge and noisy printing presses that could only print one page at a time and used wooden and metal blocks with each letter. Now you can print from your phone using apps instantly, printing thousands of pages at a time.

Pointillism is a fancy word for dots in art. We have been studying this in our art lessons in Cherry Tree class and have used it as our theme for our church art competition entries. You use colourful dots to make up a picture and you don't have to colour or shade it. The dots make the shape of your picture.

In our church art we show how technology has moved on from the early printing presses and the first huge computers, to laptops and mobiles.

Now information is often saved on a 'cloud'. We thought about what a cloud would look like. It must be full of information. It could be fluffy with colours around the outside and maybe it is full of numbers and letters. Perhaps it is an ordinary cloud with an invisible wire that sucks up all the information no one knows!

Canoeing

While on our trip to Horstead Residential Centre, we had many activities to do, one of which was canoeing. We had to get into groups of three before getting into our boats and the heaviest went at the back, the lightest at the front, and the middle in the middle. The middle was the hardest job as while the front and back rowed one way, the middle rowed the other doing 50% of the work. We then went on a track up the river on a long and fun journey. It was quite hard to steer as we had to use a LOT of communication to go forwards and not sideways. Once we got to the end of our journey, we had to return and we turned it into an uncompetitive race. We thank the Horstead staff for doing this fun activity with us and especially Chris, the staff member who came with us to do this.

By Corin



Year 6 SATS Lunch by Jonny

After SATS, Year 6 got treated to a lunch and there was lots of good food like hot dogs, ribs, salad, chips, melted chocolate with strawberries and marshmallows and a pavlova. We all thought it was great and all want to thank Marnie and Natasha for a brilliant lunch. Thank you very much.

Horstead Centre - Crate Stacking

On 21st May, we (Years 5 and 6) were treated to our after SATS residential to the Horstead Centre. We arrived at a beautiful hall which, from the front looked like it could never fit all the activities that were in store for us.

There were so many activities to do in the time we had, but we managed them all.

My favourite was the crate stacking. First we had to put a harness and a helmet on, after which we got into pairs and lined up. We all got two goes of going up on the crates and the other people in the group would keep our harnesses tight and help us when we fell off. It was an amazing experience that we all enjoyed.

By Alice

THE FIBONACCI SEQUENCE

In maths this week we have been discovering the Fibonacci Sequence.

The Fibonacci Sequence is a sequence that was discovered by Leonardo Fibonacci in 1202 AD.

The sequence is found in many nature items like pine cones, snail shells, flowers, pineapples and lots more,

The sequence goes like this: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89.....

It is formed by adding the two previous consecutive numbers e.g $1+1=2$, then you would do $1+2=3$ to get your next numbers and so on.

We have all really enjoyed doing this piece of maths.

By Freya B

This term in English we have been focusing on an amazing book called 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. It's about a boy called William Beech. He is an evacuee from London who moved to Little Weirwold and he is trying to fit in. We have done a lot of work on this book like postcards to William's mum, a diary of him going to church when the declaration of war was announced, plus much more. We have done poems about the Blitz, we drew William Beech or Mr Tom and also we made questions for William.

We also do WW2 work like answer questions about the different events that happened.

Science Day

On Friday last week, we had a science day and we got spilt into four groups.

Each group went in a different classroom and had a go at an activity then we switched.

In one classroom we got to build two things. Inside we built a tunnel out of either sand or soil, and outside we built a tunnel that we had to fit inside and it had to be waterproof. Then Kim poured water over it to make sure it was waterproof.

Then they went into a classroom where we had to draw a picture of ourselves and SNEEZE on it but with a spray bottle and count the germs!

WORLD WAR 2

BY CALYPSO & BEATRICE

In History we have been learning about World War 2. We have looked at the Allies & Axis (Britain and Germany). They fought in fighter jets, bombers & submarines. For Britain there was the Royal Air Force and Royal Navy. Germany had the Luftwaffe and Kriegsmarine. Children had to be evacuated from cities to the

Cricket by Fraser and Freddie

On Monday 24th June we did a cricket afternoon where the whole school played cricket all afternoon. We were using names of the teams in the Cricket World Cup which was happening at the time we did it.

The teams were England, Australia, New Zealand, India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Pakistan, West Indies and Afghanistan.

The winners were the West Indies, 2nd place was Bangladesh and 3rd place was England.



Thank you for supporting our Open Afternoon and Summer Fayre. Everyone enjoyed them very much.

A big thank you to our newsletter editors Freya Button and Corin Wilcockson for their hard work this year