

C Chestnuts Primary School C

NEWSLETTER

27th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please remember that school is closed for all children tomorrow (Friday 28th January) as we are having a training day.

Please also don't forget to vote on our school motto through the following link.

<https://forms.gle/s6C8ZMxRqadkDoSa9>

Your opinion is very important to us.

Please continue to keep us informed if you have cases of Covid in your household. If your child does need to isolate there is on-line work for all classes through Google Classrooms which you can access via the school website with your child's individual logins.

Have a lovely weekend

Katie Horwood



Be Safe
Be Engaged
Be Respectful
Be Ready

Dates for your Diary

Friday 28th January

TAD Day—School Closed

Thursday 10th February

Y3 Trip to Wigmore Hall for School's Concert

Monday 14th—Friday 18th February

Half Term

21st February

Back to school

After School Club

In ASC we enjoyed dancing to party music!



Nursery

Our focus book this week is, Goldilocks and the three bears. The children have been busy exploring porridge, changing its texture with water to make it just right!



What we have done this week

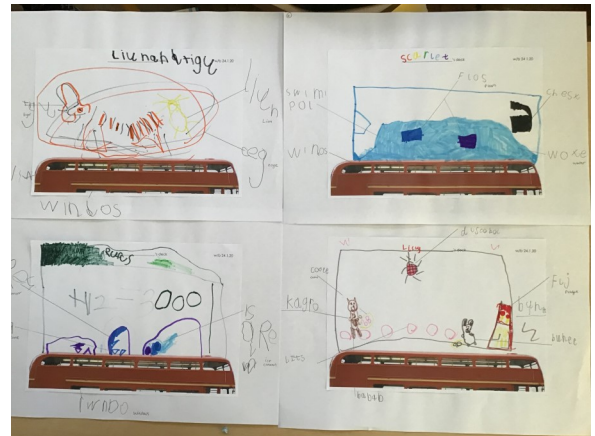
Ahlberg

This week we have been reading the story of the hundred decker bus. We designed our decks in our key groups and used different materials to create them. Tigers chose to make a 'swimming pool' deck and Lions chose to make a 'spooky deck'. We had so much fun creating these.



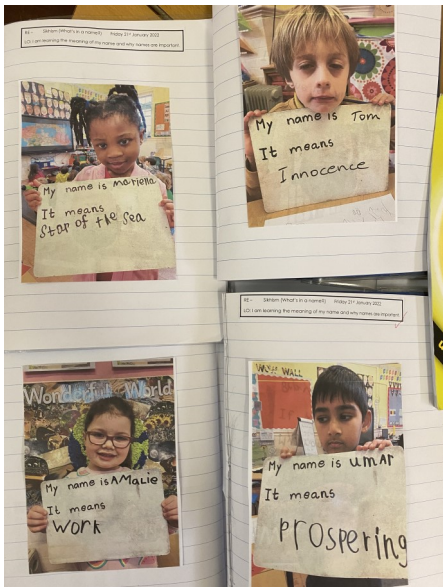
Donaldson

This week we designed our own deck to add to 'The Hundred Decker Bus'. We then labelled the different parts of our design using the sounds that we have learnt in phonics. We are encouraging independent writing as much as possible. At this stage, we encourage the children to link the sounds they can hear to letters, to write words. Praise for the sounds that they can hear and writing is the emphasis here, rather than correct spelling. This helps to build their confidence and love of writing.



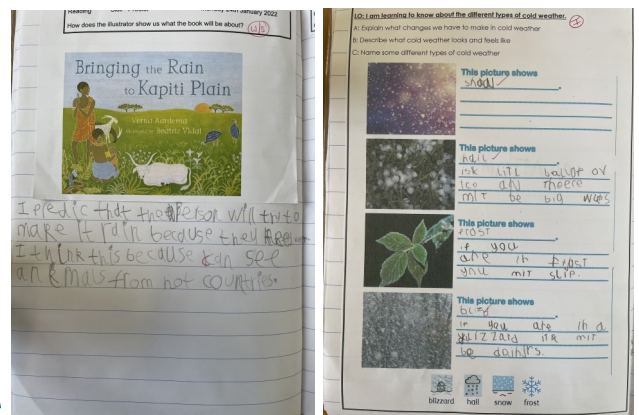
Mozart

In RE, we have been focusing on Sikhism and in particular the Naam Karan, which is a special naming ceremony that takes place after a child has been born. As part of this, we looked at the meanings behind our names also!



Hadid

In reading, we have been making predictions based on what is on the front cover- we know you shouldn't judge a book by its cover but for us it's the first thing we look at. In science, we have been looking at different types of cold weather! Hopefully we get some snow this term!



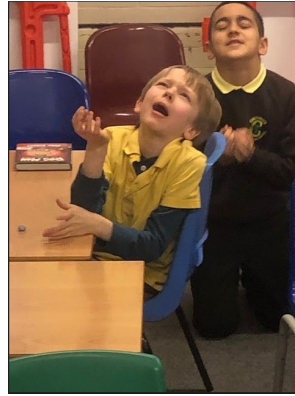
Fibonacci

This week we finished looking at play-scripts, and on Monday the pupils took part in some freeze frames to convey emotions of how some of our characters are feeling in the final scene.



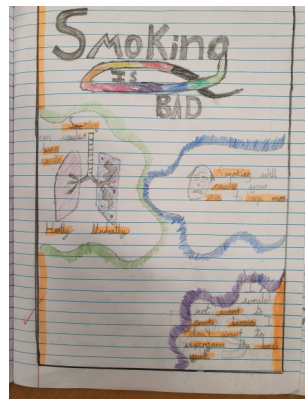
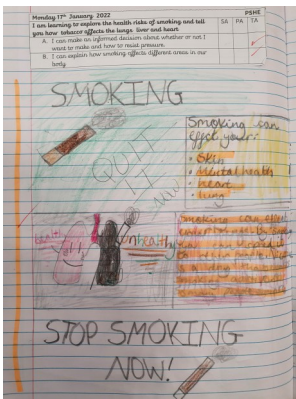
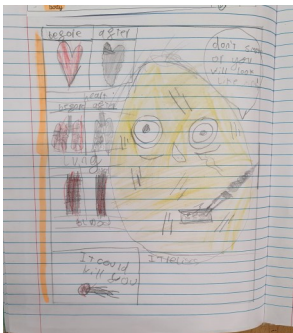
Gandhi

This week the children were taking part in a freeze frame activity during RE, for the ancient epic of Gilgamesh. They froze in various positions, acting out how they believed different characters would be feeling at certain points of the poem. They were wonderful pretending to be kings and demons - quite natural at both.



Thompson

In Thompson class in PSHE we looked at smoking and its effects on the body. Children created a poster and were able to make an informed decision about smoking.



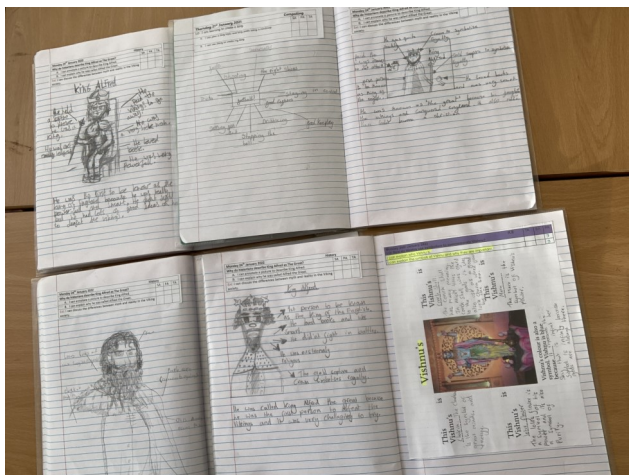
Pankhurst

In Pankhurst Class we stretch everyday. Amine led our daily stretch. Moving in-between lessons helps our concentration.



Malala

This week we looked at the life of King Alfred the Great as part of our Vikings topic.



Mandela

As part of our Art lesson, we have created our own mythical creatures to link it with our writing in English. Our creatures have many special features such as poisonous claws, laser eyes and venomous fangs!



The



Zone

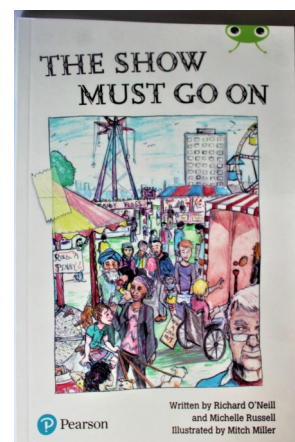
You may remember that, as part of the school's building upgrade, the library will be closed for a number of weeks this term.

Next week - 31st January to 4th February - library sessions will be for returning books ONLY. Please help children to ensure books are returned. I will later send out messages stating those books I believe may still be loaned to children.

We will be using the opportunity to re-label books, including adding book-banding based on difficulty to our fiction books. If any parents/carers might be able to spare some time to help with this re-labelling after half-term, I would appreciate an email from you. The plan is for sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings after drop-off.

During the period of closure, children will be encouraged to borrow books from their class book corners, but we would also encourage you to join one of Haringey's public libraries.

I am reading...



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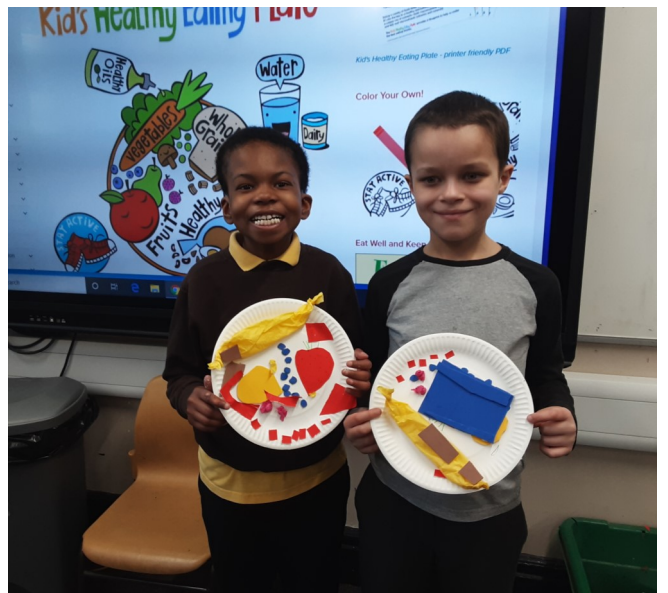
Art Classes



In art we have been working on
HEALTHY FOOD.



Children in Y3 created some tasty plates using their knowledge and their imagination as well. They all enjoyed this activity as collage is one of their favourite activities.





Art Classes



In Year 5 we have been designing mixed media 'ZIGGURAT' terraced buildings. These were massive structures built in Mesopotamia From 2200bc to 500bc. The people believed that these pyramid temples connected heaven and earth.

