

Message from the head:

On Monday this week I had the pleasure to attend the bi-annual Camden Music Festival at the Royal Albert Hall. This year we were selected to not just send singers, but to work on a Caribbean inspired music project with our Year 5 (and some Year 6) brass instrumentalists. This has been a wonderful experience for the children working with the wonderful Kinetika Bloco since September developing the original piece of music performed on the night. Not only has their brass playing improved but from the discussions I've had with the children since Monday and a number of their parents, it's clear their passion for music and performance has too. To be on stage and perform at one of not just London's, but the World's iconic venues is something that will stay with them for a very long time. They were fantastic. We will have to wait a couple of years for the next one but I'm already looking forward to it! There are so many opportunities for music at Fleet from the whole class instrument lessons in years 3, 4 and 5 to the wonderful individual lessons offered through Camden Music Service (see info in the Wednesday Community Notices Newsletter for more information), not to mention singing in our shows, class assemblies and weekly singing assemblies.

This week you should have received the curriculum/topic letter and topic snapshot for your child's class via ParentHub. If you didn't get it please contact the office. We have sent home a hard copy of the snapshot for years 1-6. As always, this covers the key factual information we want the children to learn through their topic. Please do look at this and keep it handy to support your child as they progress through the term. Next week is a shortened week with the bank holiday on Monday and the next NEU strike closure on Tuesday (only Year 6 in school). I Looking ahead to next week, on Friday next week we have a very special Eid Celebration for our whole community in the hall after school. Please do come along. hope you have a good bank holiday weekend.

Eid Mubarak

Come to our Eid Celebration next week, Friday 5th May, after school from 3.30-5.30pm. There are signup sheets and boxes outside classes—please help if you can with food donations and time on the day. We want to make our first Eid celebration event a huge success. See poster on page 2!



Reminders:

Monday 1st May SCHOOL CLOSED for May Day Bank Holiday.

Next Tuesday (2nd May) School WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL CHILDREN EXCEPT YEAR 6 due to industrial action by members of the NEU.

Monday 8th May SCHOOL CLOSED for Coronation Bank Holiday.

Please Support Jodie!

Jodi-Cali who is known for his lovely long hair has decided he wants to get it cut and donated to a charity. Jodi is fundraising for The Little Princess Trust, and they'd really appreciate your support. Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to The Little Princess Trust, so it's the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

You can donate to Jodi's JustGiving page by clicking here:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/jodi-cali-harris-1682069256427?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=page/jodi-cali-harris-1682069256427&utm_campaign=pfj-email&utm_term=a802e8f1c8914b039ea43a085da42783

Fundraising Event

Susan (mum to Jazzy and Zaida) is exhibiting artwork in an upcoming charitable art event. Susan, along with a number of the other artists at the event will be donating 25% of their sales to Fleet to support our Junior Playground renovation fund. Please support them by buying a ticket to attend the event or by visiting their Just giving Site.



<https://www.mindinharingev.org.uk/donations/the-art-of-giving-fundraiser/>

NEU Strike Action

Further reminder following letter sent home on Wednesday. Next Thursday is another day of strike action planned by the NEU due to their dispute with the DfE and government over funded teacher pay rises. Due to this industrial action we will be closed next Thursday, 27th April, to all pupils **except Year 6**. If your child qualifies for a free school meal and you would like a school packed lunch to be provided for the strike day when we are closed, please let the office know by Monday. This will then be available to collect on the Thursday between 10-11am. **All Year 6 children should come in as usual.**

Punctuality Award

Lates this week continue to be reasonably low with 25 for the week. However, with year 1 and 3 managing NO LATES it means there were a couple of classes who need to improve—Reception (6) and Year 2 (9) in particular.



Attendance Award

While this week every class was above 90% we have seen a dip in most year groups. No class made the early target level of 96% with Year 6 coming closest with 94.7%. Year 3 and Reception very close to them both with over 94%. Thank you to all those families who continue to bring their children in to school and reduce the time they miss. Resilience is a key quality that we want to encourage in all our young people so please do avoid keeping off for minor ailments—better to send in a see if they improve which they often do as they go through the day. For the year we are currently at 92.7% which we know we can improve.



Lunch Menu: 1st—5th May

Monday
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday
NEU STRIKE ACTION—SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL EXCEPT YEAR—**hot lunch provided for Year 6 in school**

FSM not in school: If you have ordered a school packed lunch through office collect between 10-11am

Wednesday
Meat/Halal:
BBQ or Herb Roasted Chicken
Vegetarian:
Veg & Mixed Bean Fajitas
Roast or New Potatoes
Carrots & Peas
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Thursday
Meat/Halal:
Beef Lasagne
Vegetarian:
Butterbean Veg Risotto
Garlic Bread
Sweetcorn & Green Beans
Apple Sponge & Custard

Friday
Meat/Halal:
Breaded Fish
Vegetarian:
Spanish Omelette
Chips or Cous Cous
Tomato Sauce
Baked Beans & Peas
Yoghurt & Fruit

Available Daily
Freshly Cooked Jacket Potato
Freshly Baked Bread

Please remember to let the office know if you want your child to change to or from school lunches so you are charged correctly



Fleet Primary School Eid Party!

FREE

Entry and
Food!

You are cordially invited to our first Eid Celebration Party. Come along after school and enjoy some fabulous food, games and fun!

Entry and Food is FREE!

There will be a small charge for hot and cold drinks and some of the activities such as face painting and henna to raise money for a new school club.

When?

Friday 5th May

What time?

3.30-5.30pm

Where?

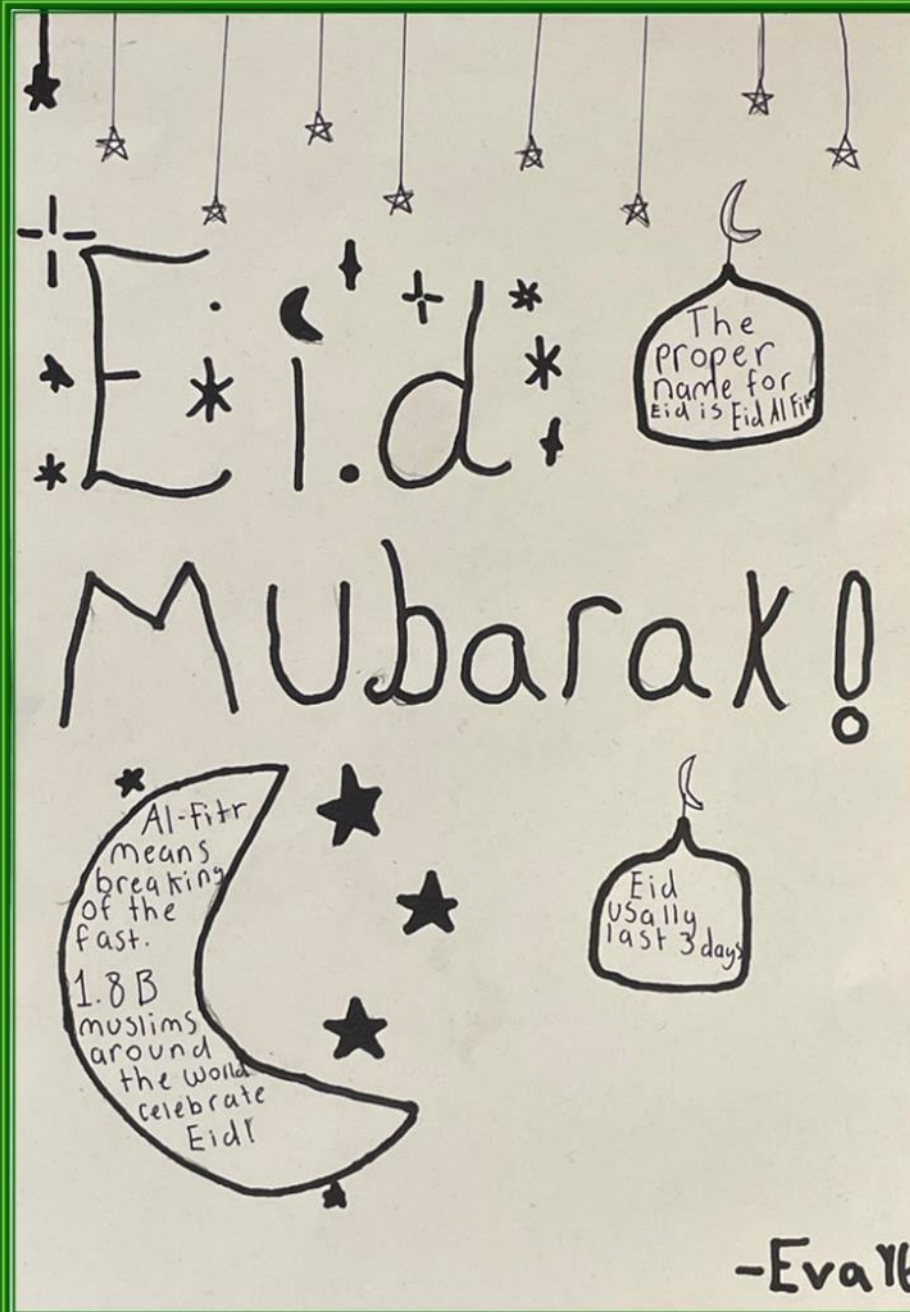
In the hall

Who?

Everyone welcome!

Dress Code?

**Eid outfits &
fancy dress
encouraged!**



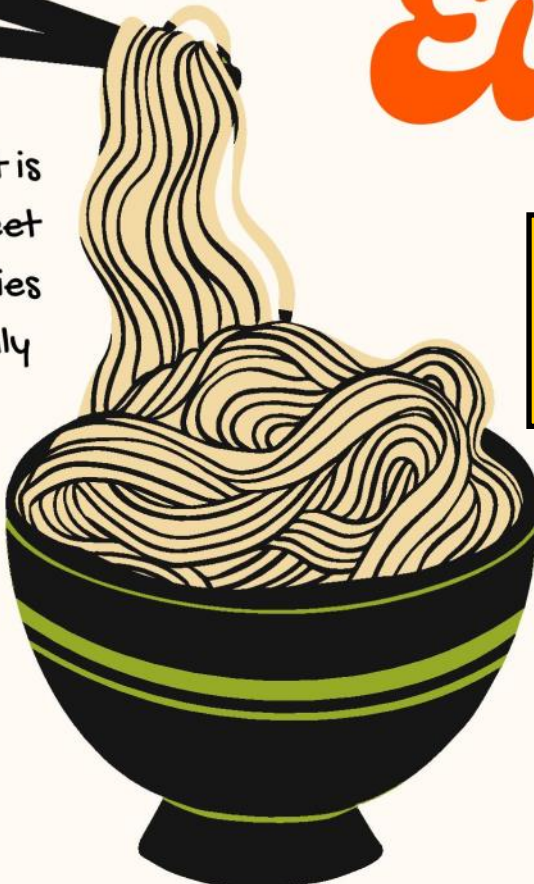


Bring a national dish to share,
and try some delicious food
from around the world!



International Food Evening

This event is
for Fleet
families
only



**Thursday 18th May
5-7pm in the Hall**

Free entry
and free food!
Drinks available
to buy, raising funds
for the school.

Stars of the week!



Well done to these children who have been chosen by their class teachers to be the 'Star of the Week' - Well done to all these children, and to all the rest who might not have been picked this week but could have been.



Reception

For all your wonderful ideas and imaginative play. It is great to see you creating your own role play ideas and joining in so nicely with your friends. Well done!

Year 1

For putting a lot more effort into phonics learning! It's fantastic to see you looking and listening during carpet sessions. Keep it up and well done!



Year 2

For your great effort on your poetry writing this week! We've really enjoyed reading your anglerfish and jellyfish poems inspired by 'Commotion in the Ocean'. Well done!

Year 3

For your excellent focus. You are always keen to share your ideas during class discussions and demonstrate a really positive attitude towards learning. Keep up the great engagement! Well done!

Year 4

For your hard work in English this week! You have been confidently sharing your ideas and focusing well on your independent work. Well done!



Year 5

For your generous spirit! You go out of your way to share positive thoughts and feelings with people and compliment those around you! You lift others up and consistently make the effort to express gratitude when you feel it's appropriate. Keep being your kind and positive self!

Year 6

For your focus and attention to detail this week. I was particularly impressed with your final setting description and how carefully you published it. Keep it up!

Fleet Facts!



Well done to all these children who have passed their Fleet Facts test this week!

Year 3: Rocco, Leo, Thaddeus, Frankie, Mason, Mo

Year 4 : Mickey, Saaimah, Ursula, Marcel, Daniel, Okpe, Jake Sidoli, Lashanty, Skylar

Times Tables Rock Stars of the Week—this week!

Well done to these children who earned the most coins in their class on Times Tables Rock Stars this week!

Year 2: Albie—3,384 coins!

Year 3: Frankie—5,140 coins!

Year 4: Okpe—22,318 coins!

Year 5: Ena—17,430 coins!

Year 6: Hiba—9,995 coins!

Dates for your diary this term...

Please bear in mind that occasionally trips may be arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parenthub closer to the date of a trip and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

27th April	NEU STRIKE—SCHOOL CLOSED to all EXCEPT Year 6 children
1st May	Bank Holiday—May Day—School Closed
2nd May	NEU Strike—SCHOOL CLOSED to all EXCEPT Year 6 children
5th May	Eid Celebration—3.30-5.30pm—all welcome in the hall
8th May	Bank holiday—King's Coronation—School Closed
16th May	Caterlink Taster Session in the Hall for Parents after school
18th May	International Food Evening 5-7pm
29th May-2nd June	Half Term Holiday—School Closed
5th June	INSET Day—School Closed
26th-30th June	STEAM Week
3rd-7th July	Wellbeing Week
7th July	Sports Day on the Heath
12th July	Teacher drop in sessions after school —any questions about reports or to say hello to next year's teacher
15th July	Summer Fair—date to t.b.c.
21st July	Last Day of School—finish @ 2pm

See the tables here (below) for events specific to individual classes. If you have any questions about these trips, visits or events please speak to the class teacher or contact the office.

NURSERY

3rd May	CLC visit
17th May:	Kentish Town Farm
6th July	Hampstead Heath

RECEPTION

28th April	October Gallery
14th June	London Zoo
6th July	Class Assembly @10am
6th July	Class Tea
10th July	Hampstead Heath

YEAR 1

4th May	Kentish Town Farm
19th May	Hampstead Heath
23rd May	Talacre
15th June	Kew Gardens
29th June	Class Tea
30th June	Class Assembly @ 10am
4th July	London Zoo
13th July	Central London Mosque—t.b.c
18th July	Hampstead Heath

YEAR 6

9th-12th May	KS2 SATs
16th May	Talacre
18th May	London Zoo
22nd-26th May	Gower Residential Week
6th June	Central London Mosque—t.b.c
19th-30th June	Swimming everyday
27th June	Kew Gardens
20th July	Leavers Assembly @ 2pm
20th July	BBQ & Gower Exhibition

YEAR 2

4th May	WAC Arts
23rd May	Talacre
22nd June	Class Tea
23rd June	Class Assembly @ 10am
30th June	London Zoo
13th July	Central London Mosque—t.b.c
14th July	To the Beach

YEAR 5

16th May	Talacre
19th May	Class Assembly @ 10am
25th May	Class Tea
6th June	Central London Mosque—t.b.c
14th June	Gurdwara
12th July	Hampstead Heath

YEAR 3

3rd May	Y3&4 football on Heath after school—selected children
9th May	CLC
23rd May	Talacre
6th June	Central London Mosque—t.b.c
7th June	Kew Gardens
15th June	London Zoo
15th June	Class Tea
16th June	Class Assembly @ 10am
4th July	Camden Music Festival

YEAR 4

3rd May	Y3&4 football on Heath after school—selected children
9th May	London Zoo
16th May	Talacre
8th June	Class Tea
9th June	Class Assembly @ 10am
16th June	Buddhist Centre
27th June	Kew Gardens
13th July	Central London Mosque—t.b.c



Fleet Primary School Calendar Competition 2024

This year's theme...A Wonderful World!

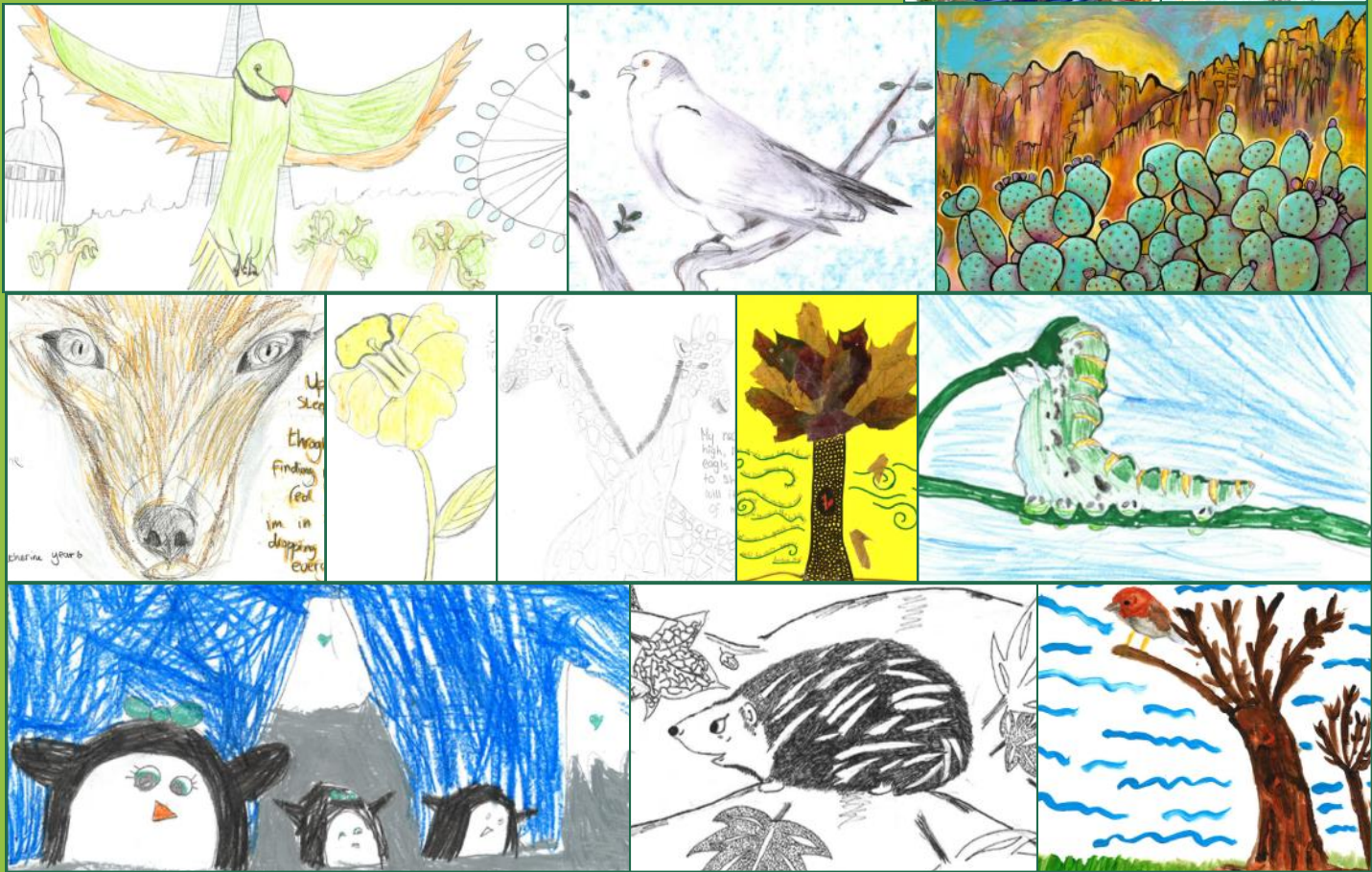
The theme this year is 'A Wonderful World' and is all about the natural world and protecting it. Art can be inspired by nature, animals, plants, insects, birds, ocean life, habitats, protecting the environment or environmentalists—see some of the examples at the bottom of this page.

Children can use any art medium in their entries as long as it is A4 in size and they can enter as many times in a term as they want. It is important that they put their name and class on the reverse side of the picture in pencil (don't write in pen and not on the front). They should also include a 'fun fact' about their subject written on the back too which will be included in the final calendar if their image is selected.

Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2024. Entries should be handed in to the school office. We have some very talented artists at Fleet and we can't wait to see the fantastic pieces the children come up with. Good luck!

July 2023	
SUN	1
MON	2
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Fun Fact:
Frida Kahlo was a Mexican artist who painted self-portraits. She was also a feminist and a social activist.



This week at Fleet...

A busy week kicked off on Monday with Year 5 (and 3 of the year 6 children) travelling to the Royal Albert Hall for a day of rehearsals before their triumphant performance as part of the Camden Music Festival. They were brilliant and their brass project piece they had been part of this year was a huge hit. Meanwhile, back in school there has been some fantastic maths and English learning going on as well as getting stuck into the new topics for this term—you should have received the topic letter and snapshots on Tuesday—check 'ParentHub' in case you missed them. Well done to all the children (and staff) for a hard working and successful start to the term.



The Cave

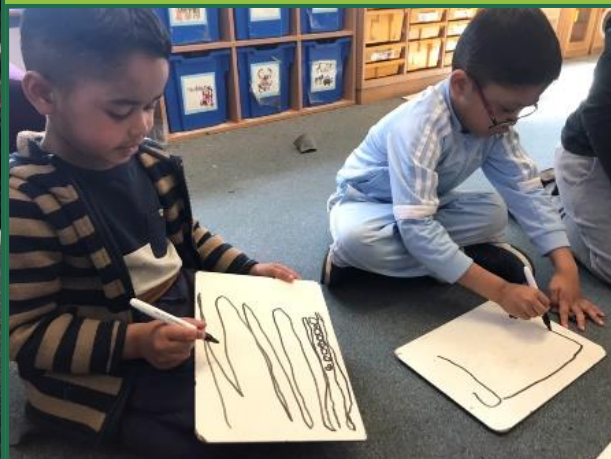
Silence. Razor sharp stalagmites hung from the pitch black cave and a humid breeze crept through the jagged opening. A mild groan echoes through the cave walls. Suddenly a blood-thirsty hawk's roar covers the forest canopy causing birds to scatter away.

As I wander deeper into the cave I hear the wild pat of bats wing grow louder and louder. As it reached its peak a herd of blood-sucking mosquitos fill the area around me. Escaping out of the murky cave the bats write fear into the animals below.

Right next to this dreary cave is a sparkling blue majestic waterfall. It cascades over the sheer cliff into a colossal pond.



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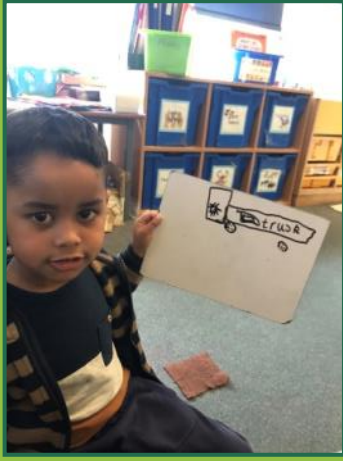
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Royal Albert Hall - Camden Music Festival



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Frozen River

The land was glossed over with thick ice; the river bed was frozen, frosted over, water calmly trickled underneath. The snow was so cold and thick it made a crunching noise with every step. Sharp thin air whistled by, numbing and stinging my nose. A cave also appeared into view.

Long smooth icicles hung off the cave ceiling making the dark, gloomy place look like it had teeth. The cave walls were rigid, razor sharp. Jagged pointy rocks were lying still on the floor, the cave felt tranquil but was also accompanied with eeriness.

By Sara



This week at Fleet...

Poem inspired by Jemmy Button being taken away from his island

*Behind you
Intelligent child, the memories, everything
you had that you are leaving behind.*

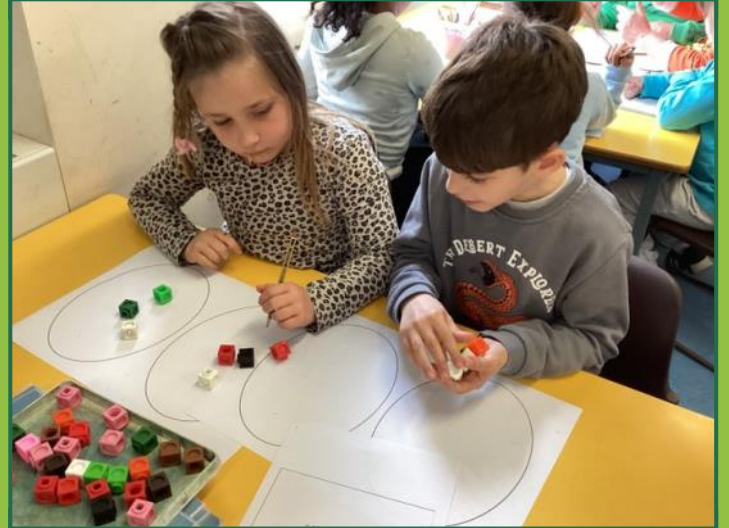


*Around you
Intelligent child, the crystal clear water you might never
see again.*

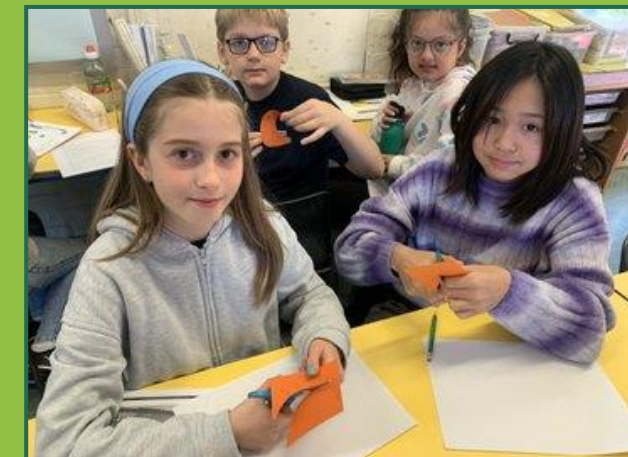
*Beside you,
Intelligent child, those men, those thieving men, gleefully
driving the boat.*

*Above you,
Intelligent child, those emerald coloured parakeets, sadly
tweeting 'goodbye'.*

Think of the few who love you and will miss you.

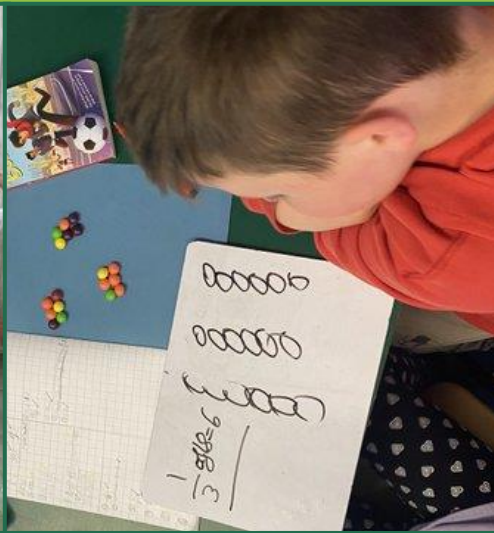
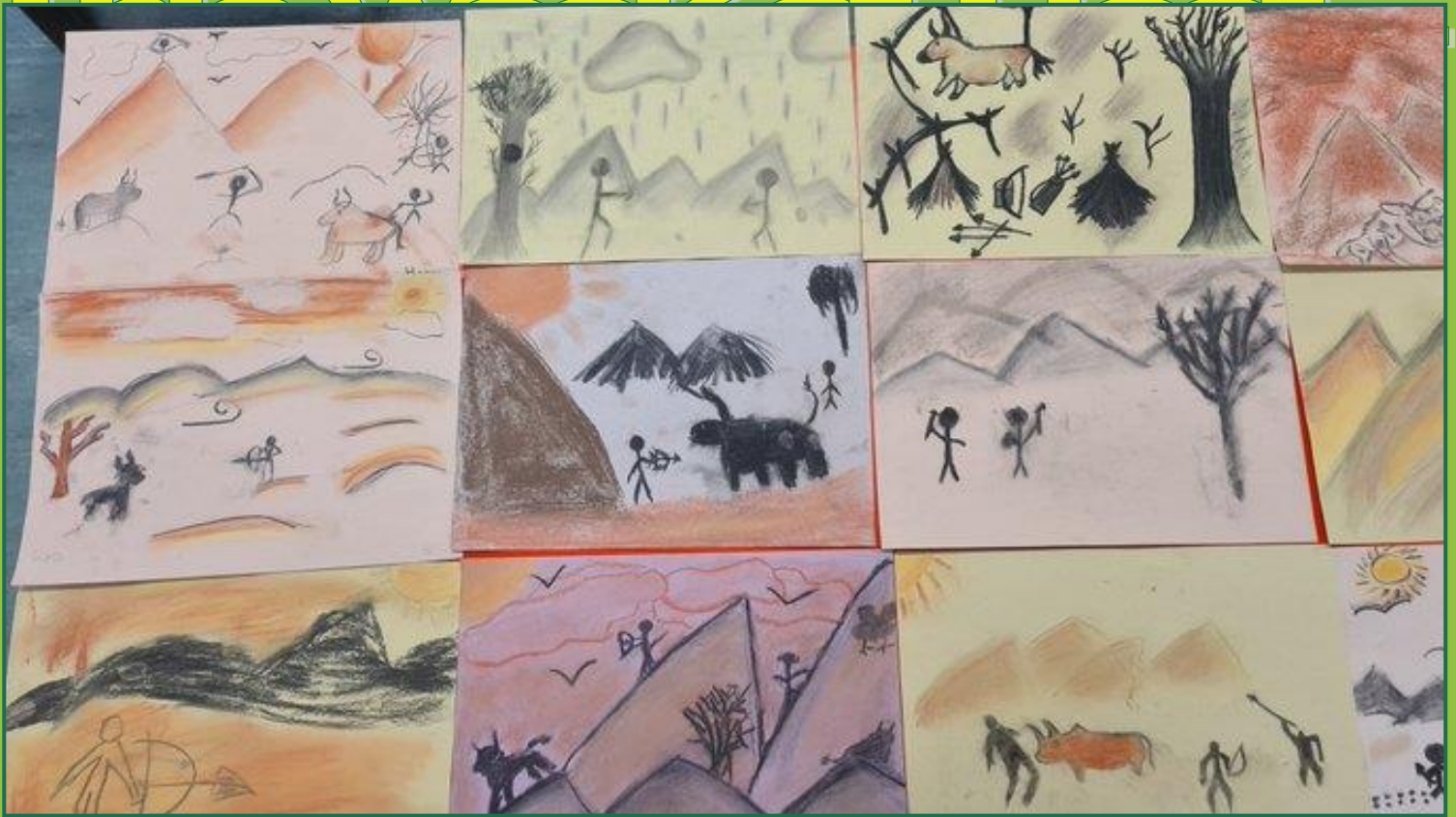


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Revoluting Camp

Well troden grass marks the entran
of the camp. The parched floor sti
around the mossy hut. The
Patchwork animal skins blazed in
the days sunlight. The scorching
burnt down on the dusty groun
The deafening howl of helves
Echoed around the camp.

By Adam



This week at Fleet...



The snow was soft: as you walk, the refreshing sound of your boots sinking into the snow makes a relaxing crunch. In the distance the cave started luring you towards it. It's silent. Dead silent. So silent the sound the sound of fish swimming is projected. The sight of brown bears wandering through frozen willow trees is a beautiful sight. The sky is a faint purple turning into grey as it gets lower. Small snowflakes scatter on the blood-stopping floor as the clouds spit them into the biting air. The river is a light crystal clear blue cascading down the ruby rocks.

It was pitch-black: no light at all, ruby red fire set made from brown, wet, mossy twigs. It was a beautiful cave after the fire crackled and burned showing all the majestic, stunning gems in the graphite grey walls. The constant eerie, muffled echoes rang in my ears. Bats hiding deep in the dark, midnight cave sleeping peacefully. Up up and up was the bright, white light of the fresh but frozen opening. Creeping deeper into the cave, bats screeched and flew out the cave.

The dusty muddy wind came in and out of my nose. Suddenly, BOOM!!! A flock of beastly bats erupted overhead, charging to the frosty, arctic air making leaves that are still on those withered, bare trees scatter to the frozen winter ground. The frigid weather exploded into the gloomy cave breaking the fires glow. Numb, icy air rushed through the new pitch-black cave.

By Poppy-Scarlett

Abandoned River.
The land was frozen: bullet-sharp icicles held onto the gossiping caves. Crackling, crunchy, glistening ice breaks at contact. Infinite, white covers the view but the tip of the sky high, colossal mountains hit the edge of the earth.

