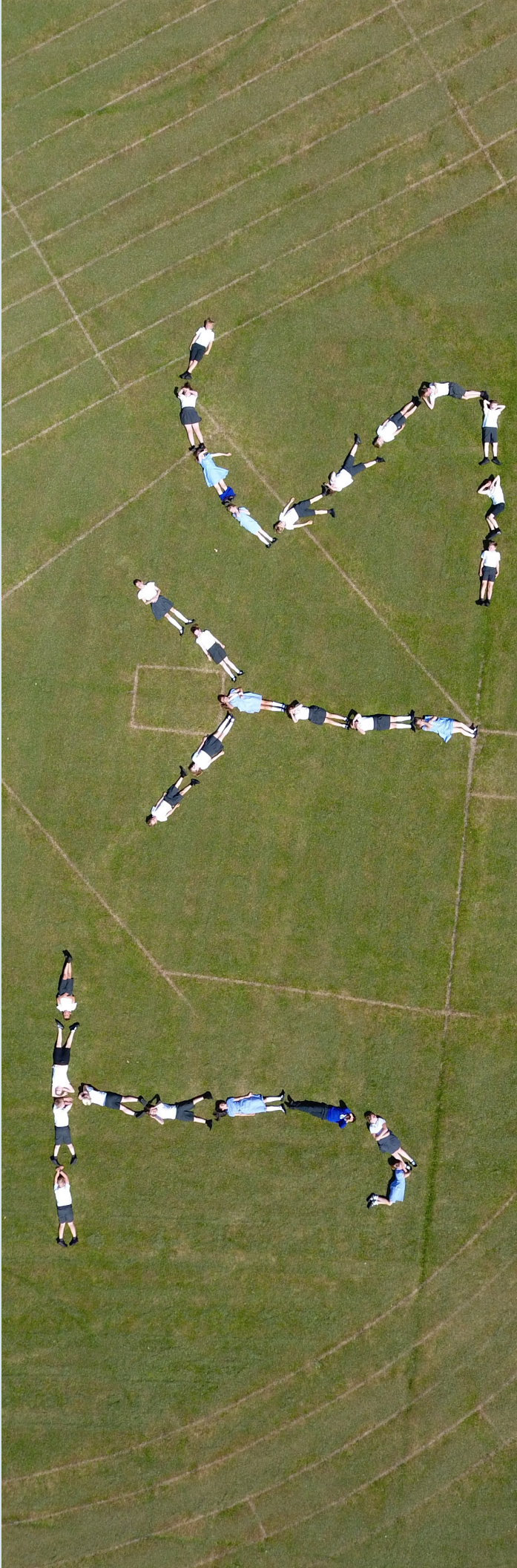




MAGAZINE



JYS

SPRING ISSUE

Welcome to the February edition of the JYS magazine. This has been a busy half term. The children have come back after Christmas with increased focus and have been engaged in a wide variety of learning experiences.

We have been fortunate enough to offer several trips and visits out, and participate in many sporting events with schools across our locality.

We hope you enjoy reading our end of term Magazine. Keep an eye out for our next issue.



YEAR R

Quotes from children in Year R



"We were making a stir fry because we were learning about China and Chinese New Year." -Alexandrina



"We were listening for a sizzle... it's cooking." -Rosie



"We are building The Great Wall of China." -Charlie



"The tiger worms make compost. They are eating our food waste." -Hector



"I built an aeroplane with a propeller and wings and a steering wheel because I wanted to change the story of Whatever Next." -Thomas



YEAR 1

By Year 1 pupils

This half term we have really enjoyed learning about The Great Fire of London and we now know lots of facts about this important historical event.

"The Great Fire of London happened in 1666." Ezra

"Did you know that the fire started in the King's bakery on Pudding Lane?" Seb

"Over 13,000 houses were burnt down in the fire." Stanley

In literacy, we have been exploring the key features of instruction writing. We have also written our own instructions about how to grow cress and how to make a glass of squash. We tried to remember to include lots of bossy verbs and to number each step of our instructions in order.

"I really enjoyed writing my 'How to Grow Cress' title in colourful bubble writing so that it would stand out." Ella

"I liked reading different instruction books and finding lots of bossy verbs like 'put', 'stir' and 'pour'." Erin

We have been practising adding and taking away numbers up to 20 in maths, using cubes, ten frames, numberlines, part-whole models and number facts that we already know to help us.

"I like using ten frames and counters to help me add and take away." George

"I like working with my teachers to learn how to use a numberline to add and subtract numbers." Alice

"I like using cubes to help me add and take away." Heidi

"Because I know that $7 + 3$ equals 10, I know that $17 + 3$ equals 20." Finn

"Because I know that $2 + 8$ equals 10, then I know that $12 + 8$ equals 20." Iris

"I like adding up on the rekenreks." Amy

In science, we have done lots of practical experiments to find out about everyday materials and their properties.

"I really enjoyed our 'Materials Hunt'. I went round and drew things in our classroom that were made from different materials." Alex

"I liked doing the floating and sinking experiment." Austin

"I liked working in a team to make a boat from materials which would help it to float!" Serafina

"I liked finding out which materials let light through and which didn't." Finn

We have enjoyed creating block printing patterns and paintings in art. We experimented with using corks, polystyrene, sponges and potatoes as our printing objects and learned how to make secondary colours by mixing two primary colours together.

"I enjoyed using the potatoes to make my fire picture." Ellie

"I liked mixing the primary colours of red and yellow to make the secondary colour orange." Matilda



YEAR 2

James and Elsie and the children of Year 2 helped Mrs Saunders write this newsletter.

Our topic this half term is about 'London bridge is Falling Down'.

We made a house in the Great Fire of London time. Some of us painted London Bridge made out of paper. Then we all made an information page about the changing materials of London Bridge. Over time the bridge has burnt down, been swept away, crumbled and sank!

We made lots of houses when our visitor, called Mr Paul Bones, came to tell us about how building materials have changed over time.

In science, we had a chart and a box of with lots of things in. We looked at the material they were made from and tested them to see if the materials were bendy or squishy.

We read the book "The Boy who Grew Dragons", by Andy Shepherd. We enjoyed the story. We all made little clay dragons and then put them in a safe place while they dried. Then we painted them and put them in the dragon boxes that we made as part of our home learning.

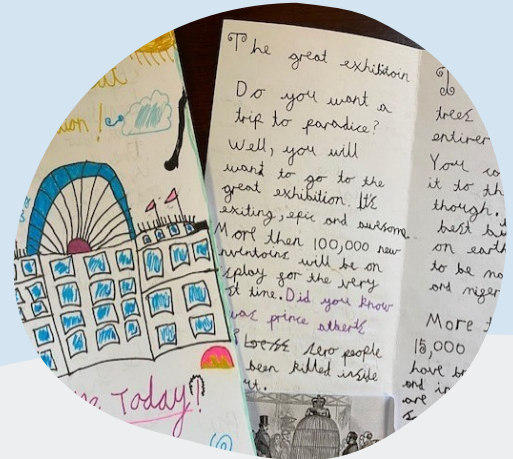
We have also enjoyed our gym lessons because we have been on all the apparatus, including the ropes and the wall bars!.

We are looking forward to our weaving project.



YEAR 3

Written by Year 3 pupils



In Year 3 this term, we've been learning about the Victorians. Did you know that some Victorians had to go to the toilet in a bucket and that it was someone's job to empty out all the poo and wee?! Luckily, flushing toilets were invented in the Victorian age! (Fynn and Felix)

We've found out lots about the Great Exhibition. This was where lots of Victorian inventors came to show off their newest ideas. It had over 100,000 awesome objects inside! In Literacy, we did persuasive writing and made leaflets getting people to come along to the exhibition. (Jake)

We've really enjoyed doing William Morris artwork. He was a Victorian artist whose work included lots of flowers, nature and birds. We've made some of our own versions of his patterns and painted some of his. (Ameerah and Jennifer)

In Computing, we have been looking at some of the effects that you can use to change images - we have added a couple of our photographs to this page!



YEAR 4

By Pupils in Year 4

This half term, we have all enjoyed learning about the Titanic and reading our class book - 'The Titanic Detective Agency'.

On the 8th February, we went to the SeaCity Museum in Southampton. We learnt a lot of information about the crew members and passengers of the Titanic. Our tour guide, Vicky, knew so much about the ship and the lives of those on board on its first and final sailing. There was so much to see in the museum, including a mock-up of the cabins (some of which were very tiny) and there were many interactive elements. In one of the rooms, there was a simulation where we got to sail the Titanic! The most interesting artefact we found was the sword owned by Captain John Smith.

In dance, we have been putting together a routine all about the lives of the passengers on the Titanic. It begins with family and friends waving goodbye and then transitions into the parties that took place aboard the ship. The dance then moves on to the disaster striking and shows the panic on board, before so many people sadly lost their lives. This has been one of our favourite areas of the curriculum this term.

We have also been lucky enough to be visited by Kevin from Chance To Shine Cricket. He taught us the main skills involved in Quick Cricket: how to bat, bowl, field and improve our aim with the ball! We played a fun game, where each House had a chance to bat whilst the others took turns to field and stop the runners getting points.

What a great half term!



YEAR 5

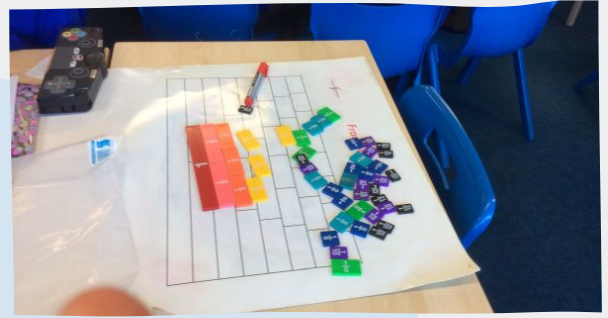
Written by pupils in Year 5

Some things that we have been learning this term...

Our topic this term has focused upon space. As part of our English work we have been focusing on two texts. The first was 'War of the Worlds': we have listened to the musical version and looked at small sections of the text. We have used this as an inspiration for our writing, producing diary entries in character and newspaper reports about an alien invasion. The second text is a book called 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell-Boyce. We have all enjoyed studying the book and have produced character profiles for the main character, Liam.

Mrs Potter has helped us to create art pieces inspired by 'War of the Worlds'. We created eye-catching backgrounds before we added our own aliens to create a finished piece.

In science we have learnt about the planets. We have looked at what each planet is like and even produced fact files for each of them. We have also found out about the space race and how this period in time has changed the way we live our lives today.



Cross Country

On Wednesday 9th February, Year 5 and 6 took part in a cross-country event at Bishop Luffa School. The afternoon was split into a girls' and boys' race. In each race, the 20 fastest runners were invited through to the next round. This will be the county finals and is taking place in Brighton in March. Eighteen schools from all over our local area took part, and everyone who wanted too had the chance to run. We were all pleased with our performance, and several JYS pupils made it to the finals.



YEAR 6

Written by Year 6



History

In history, we have been learning about Ancient Egypt. We have learnt about the importance of the River Nile; the gods and goddess they worshipped; the social structure of the society; how the pyramids were built; and we have examined various artefacts from the Novium Museum to help our understanding.

We have busy writing a discussion text based on the question: Should Egyptian artefacts be returned to Egypt? We thoroughly enjoyed this task, and we think that it boosts our understanding of ancient Egypt.

This week, we have been learning about mummification and mummified our own Pharaoh dog! (By Anna and Amy)

Computing

This term, linked to our science learning, we have been coding the steps of how we see things and used Scratch to show a clip of how the light made by the sun reflects off objects and living things in to our eyes. (By Seb)

Science

This term, we have been learning about light and shadows. Our class learnt that light travels in straight lines into the human eye, which allows us to see. We have learnt about different types of light, like bioluminescence and artificial light. Furthermore, we conducted various experiments to understand how light works. We placed a coin in a cup with water and learnt that light is refracted, and we also used mirrors to change the direction of the light, because light always travels in straight lines. (By Otto)

PE

This term we have been looking at gymnastics, ultimate Frisbee and practised running for our cross county event at Bishop Luffa. We have been learning lots of techniques, and in gymnastics we have been putting together our own routines / sequences, learning different rolls, balances and jumps and using all of the equipment in the hall. Ultimate Frisbee was very enjoyable and we liked designing out own Frisbee golf course and competing against each other. We did very well in the cross country with Year 5 and we tried our hardest! To top it off, we had a special cricket session with Kevin Foster, participating in Street Cricket. (Bea and Ariana)

Art

This term in art we have been diving deeply into learning about tones, washes and different water colour techniques. We have looked at the colour wheel focusing on primary, secondary and tertiary colours as well as harmonious and complementary colours.

As a class we have been focusing on trees in Winter working in our sketchbooks to build up to our final water-colour painting which will complete this week.

In addition, whilst many in the class were off cross-county running, we enjoyed a special session using chalk, pastel and charcoal drawing trees and iconic London buildings. (By Bea and Ariana)

Maths

In maths, we have become experts in converting between different, fractions and percentages. We have mastered how to multiply and divide by 10,100 and 100 and now know how to find a percentage of an amount. One of our favourite games at the moment is "Fizz, Buzz, Splat":

1,2, Fizz, Splat, Buzz, Fizz, 7, Splat, Fizz, Buzz, 11, FizzSplat, 13, 14, FizzBuzz...How high can you go? (By Eva and Alma)



Reading

This term, we have nearly completed The Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen as well as many other books. The story is based on a boy called Ade and his mum, who is agoraphobic. The story is about how they avoid the deadly plants that have been causing many buildings to fall: the Bluchers. We have loved the class reader and moan when Mr Harman stops at a cliffhanger! (By Mia)

Writing

In writing, we have been focusing on creating tension and suspense in narratives. We read lots of stories, which showcase these techniques, and read an extract from "Dracula" before writing our own chilling stories.

We have also looked at discussion texts and have written an article on whether we should continue to have privilege time at JYS. To finish the half term, we wrote a set of instructions informing you how to mummify a Pharaoh. (By Alma and Eva)

Bikeability

In our final week, we have enjoyed 'Bikeability' where we cycled in small groups throughout the week, with instructors, to master our bike skills. After our first session, which was on the playground, we cycled on the road. Every time Mr Harman has mentioned Bikability throughout the year we called out 'Yay'. Despite it being very wet and cold on some days, we have loved every minute. Next time we must all remember to bring our gloves! (By Ava & Ella D)

ART / DT ENRICHMENT

During this half term, Mr Hanna has worked with groups of children to produce clay mugs. Children from across the school were chosen for this activity.

The groups worked upon developing their clay skills, including, joining two piece of clay together, smoothing and mark making. The activity involved each child creating a clay slab as the base of the mug and then joining this carefully to a base. We then added handles on to each mug, making sure we were careful not to push the mug out of shape and that it was big enough to act as a handle. The final step was to decorate our mugs with different patterns using the clay tools.

The mugs are currently being fired in our kiln, and will be glazed once this process is completed.

We were all really pleased with the finished results.



JYS SPORTS

Climbing Club - Spring Term

We are pleased to announce the successful running of our climbing club. 10 of our Y5/Y6 children walk down to St Anthony's after school finishes on a Tuesday to climb for an hour. There, two climbing instructors take charge and the children get the opportunity to try bouldering, climbing and abseiling. The children have really enjoyed trying an activity that is familiar to some but new to others. Over the past 4 weeks, their confidence has continued to grow.



Quicksticks Hockey - Westgate (02/02/22)



We were lucky to be able to send 8 of our Y5 children to participate in the Quicksticks Hockey festival.

The children were selected from those that haven't yet taken part in sport outside of school yet this academic year, and were delighted to have had the opportunity. They did a number of different activities based around hockey and drills, with four other schools, before playing some games of hockey.

KS2 Street Cricket Taster Session (03/02/22)

In an effort to promote cricket to a wider audience, we were approached by Chance To Shine and asked if they could come and do sessions with our Keystage 2 children. We readily agreed, and staff enjoyed watching the warm-up activities and the cricket based training that allows for skills to be developed in more "urban" settings – rather than in the middle of a large, green field. The children also enjoyed working with the coach, and many of them took home flyers promoting the club that is launching in February half-term in Chichester.



Future Flyers Session 1 – Westgate Centre (03/02/22)

Unable to send children to this event last year (due to Covid), we were pleased to see that “Future Flyers” was running again for our outstanding sporting children. Three Y5s and three Y6s joined children from 17 other schools in the Chichester area for the much anticipated “Future Flyers” session on the 3rd of Feb. All of the children proudly wore their purple “Future Flyer” t-shirts and, when speaking to them on the 4th, they were full of stories about how much they were aching after the activities they had done!

These included: rowing; spinning bikes; standing long jump; catching (a ball thrown against a wall); “sit and reach”; “ruler catch”; jumping over a line; an obstacle course; some running.

Emily said, “I couldn’t sit up this morning because my tummy muscles hurt so much! I had fun, but it did feel a bit like a war camp!”



Cross Country - 09/02/22

On Wednesday 9th February, we took 41 of our Year 5 and Year 6 children to Bishop Luffa to compete in the first round of the School Games Cross Country event. We were one of 18 schools that participated, and we had ideal running conditions.

After a shaky start to proceedings (it took four attempts to fire the starter's pistol!) the racing began, with the Y5 and Y6 girls running 1200m. This was then followed by the boys' event over the same distance.

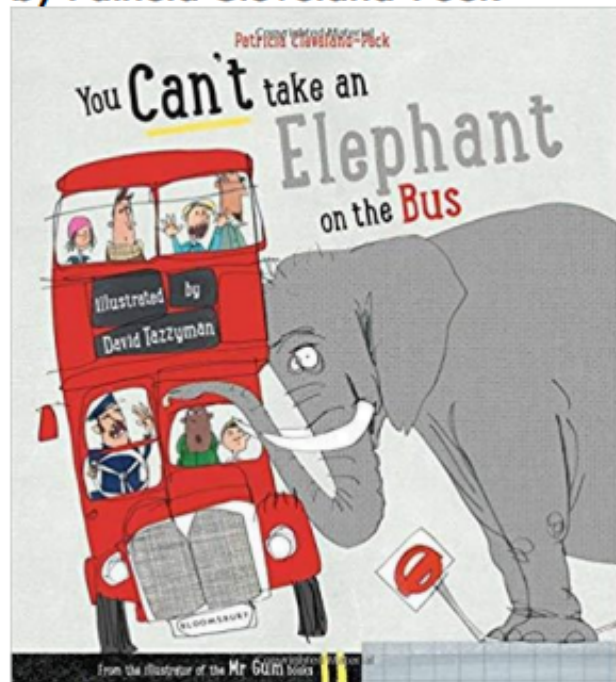
We are very proud of how the children competed, that they all finished the course and the way that they all supported each other. We are also delighted that we had so many qualify for places at county level in March, and look forward to updating you on their progress.



Reading recommendations

The books in the list below have been released in the last 12 months.
All of the titles can be found in our library or borrowed from the library in Chichester. If you have any suggestion for next terms list, please let us know.

You can't take an Elephant on the Bus, by Patricia Cleveland-Peck



You can't take an elephant on the bus ... It would simply cause a terrible fuss! Elephants' bottoms are heavy and fat and would certainly squash the seats quite flat.

Never put a camel in a sailing boat, or a tiger on a train, and don't even THINK about asking a whale to ride a bike ... This riotous picture book is filled with animals causing total disaster as they try to travel in the most unsuitable vehicles. A real romp of a book, with hilarious rhyming text and spectacular illustrations.

The Kid who Came from Space, by Ross Welford



A small village in the wilds of Northumberland is rocked by the disappearance of twelve-year-old Tammy. Only her twin brother, Ethan, knows she is safe – and the extraordinary truth of where she is. It is a secret he must keep, or risk never seeing her again.

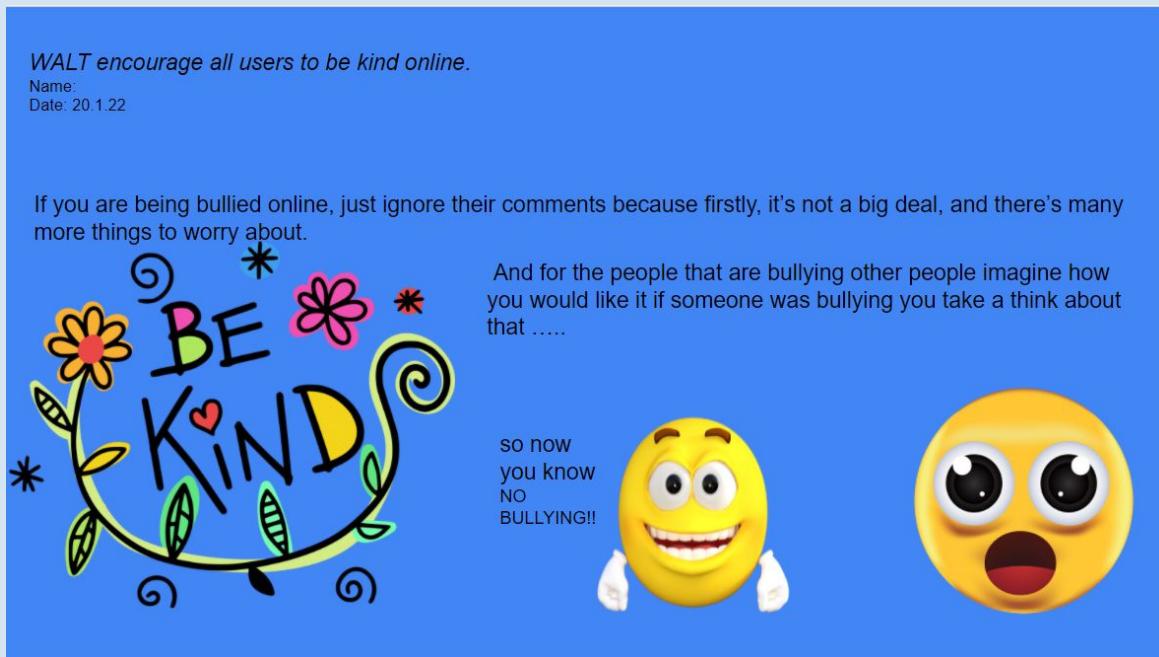
But that doesn't mean he's going to give up.

Together with his friend Iggy and the mysterious (and very hairy) Hellyann, Ethan teams up with a spaceship called Philip, and Suzy the trained chicken, for a nail-biting chase to get his sister back... that will take him further than anyone has ever been before.

Being Kind Online

Here are a few examples of the posters made by Y4 to encourage EVERYONE to Be Kind Online.

The posters were made in Google Slides, within the Google Classrooms we have set up for all the classes.





Aspire . Respect . Enjoy

