



New Headteacher at Stoke Row School!

by: Gabriel and Scarlett

While Mrs Whittle is looking after baby Connie, Miss Galvin has joined our school to look after us. Gabriel and Scarlett took the opportunity to find out more and ask some very important questions. Here is what they discovered about Miss Galvin:

- She thinks that the school is lovely, the children are great, and the staff are very nice.
- Her favourite subjects are maths and art.
- The school value that she thinks is most important is 'perseverance.'
- If she could create a new club, it would be a Lego Club as she loves Lego!
- She enjoys Celebration Assembly, especially giving out the certificates.
- She likes the staff room because there are always biscuits.
- She thinks children should have homework, but not too much.

We are sure you will find out more about Miss Galvin over the next few weeks. We wish her a very happy few terms with us.

Bubble Class celebrated the Lunar New Year!



Ocean Class win Attendance Award!



The proud recipients at the end of last term.

Congratulations to Ocean Class who were awarded with the 'Attendance Award' at the end of last term. This is a fantastic achievement at the best of times, let alone in the middle of a pandemic! It is a testament to the way in which they have looked after themselves and others and to their fantastic learning attitude.

River Class ask, 'Should primary school children have homework?'



Gabriel was keen to debate this question.

In River Class, the children took part in a topical debate about whether primary-aged children should be given homework. Mrs Zabel was impressed by the arguments put forward from both sides and the way in which the children listened and responded to each other's opinions. Unsurprisingly, the arguments against children having homework were very strong and the class ultimately voted against the motion. However, the process of debating the question was very enjoyable for all involved and we may have some future members of Parliament in River Class!

Langtree Partnership Football Competition Winners!

Huge congratulations to our Year 5/6 girls' team: Aurelia, Lily, Olivia, Emmy, Grace, Phoebe, and Ophelia for a fantastic tournament and a superb demonstration of our school values.

Sporting Update

By: Casper Poulton

Stoke Row's first whole school Cross country of the year took place in December, it was lots of fun! Unfortunately, the stopwatch died during the Raindrop race and all the times were lost. The remaining results were as follows:

Ocean Class:

The race was run by Casper, with Stanley coming in 2nd and Taran 3rd. Ellie was the first girl home. 5 runners chose the single lap option and of these runners, Alfie came in 1st.

River Class:

The race was won by Channan with George 2nd and Ophelia 3rd.

Raindrop Class:

Ezra came 1st, followed by Tom in 2nd and Nathan 3rd. Beaux was the first girl home.

Bubble class decided to forego the traditional route and instead to individually random routes across the cricket square! The first person back across the line was Ivy, followed by Bea and Finley.

Have you been watching the Winter Olympics? What has been your favourite event?



Sports Council News.

Laura is asking the school sports leaders to lead playground games at break times. The leaders will be responsible for introducing new games which will hopefully bring lots of fun and entertainment for the children. It will also give the Sports Council the opportunity to learn new leadership skills.



Book Review

By Pippa Hunkin

Book Corner

Unlikely Adventures of Mabel Jones by Will Mabbitt

This book is about a little girl called Mabel Jones and her unlikely adventures as a pirate.

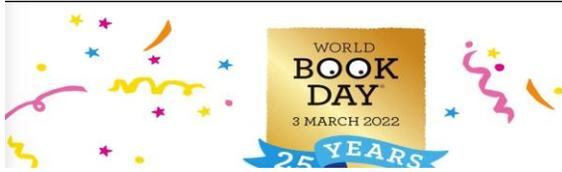
The start of the book was a little bit scary but it was exciting too and made me look forward to the next day when I could read it. Mabel is brave and she gets the job done. My favourite character is Ominous Hush because he is a cute Loris.

This book made us laugh a lot some bits are very silly.

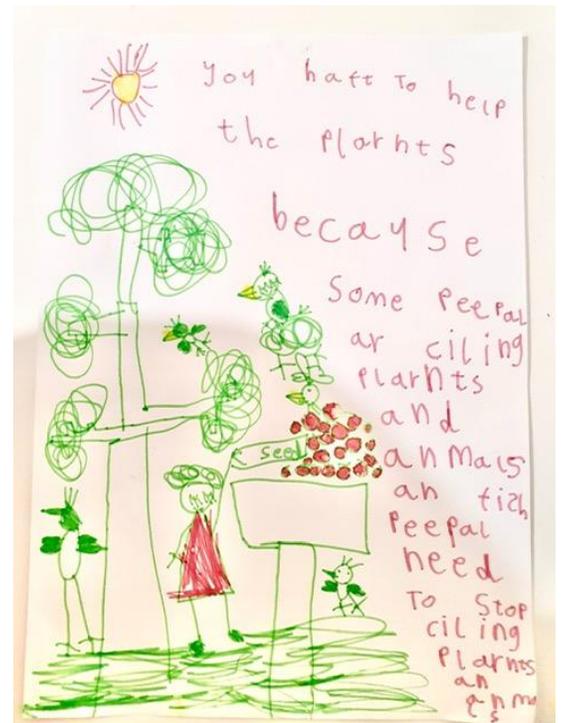
Reviewed by Pippa Hunkin



Don't forget that World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March, and we will be celebrating in school by dressing up as a favourite book character and sharing a brilliant book. Comic book characters, famous chefs whose recipe books you have enjoyed and anyone who has written an autobiography, or a blog can be used as inspiration for your costume. We will be planning some special reading activities in school so look out for news of these from your teachers and in the newsletter.



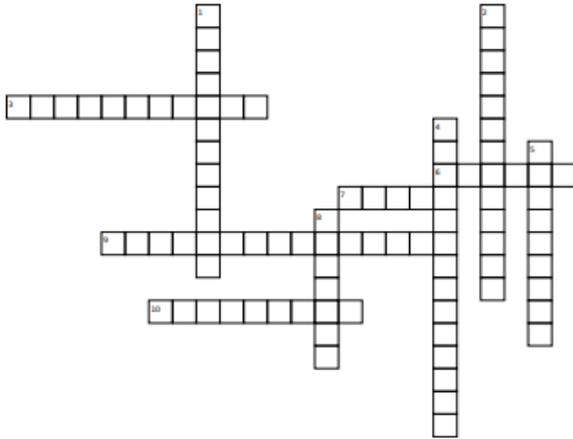
Ocean Class had an incredibly special visitor when Flash came to see them! They had raised £130 for Guide Dogs for the Blind and won this fantastic prize of meeting Flash and his owner.



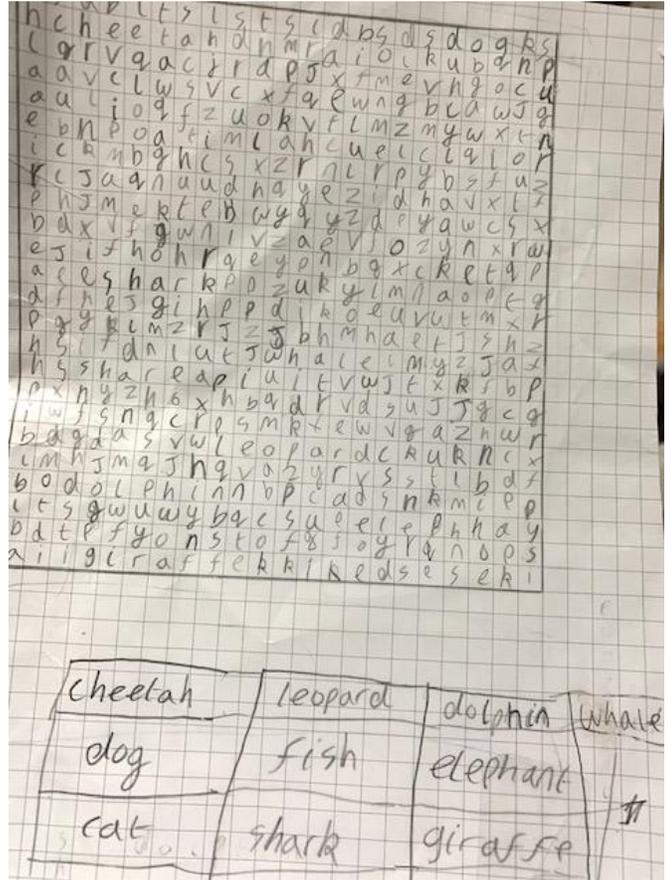
Oriana created a fantastic poster to help us all to remember to look after nature.

Brain teasers!

Roald Dahl Crossword



- Down:**
1. Charlie finds it in his chocolate wrapper (6, 6)
 2. Witches think children smell of these (4, 9)
 4. The name of the nasty headteacher in Matilda (4, 10)
 5. Matilda's kind teacher (4, 5)
 8. The person George feeds his marvellous medicine to (7)
- Across:**
3. The food the BFG eats (11)
 6. The name of the girl in the BFG (6)
 7. Mrs Twit uses this instead of spaghetti (5)
 9. Eats all the cake in Matilda (5, 10)
 10. James helps him take off his boots (9)



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By Ophelia Shaw

Thank you to everyone for their contributions to the magazine.

As always, please send news articles, features, stories, jokes, puzzles, and pictures to Mrs Deacon via the school office.

The next issue will be out at the end of March!