



THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



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The school has been a hive of activity throughout the term and this week was no exception.

We embraced and celebrated Red Nose Day; an annual fundraising campaign created by Comic Relief to end child poverty throughout the world. Thank you to all our boys and girls who enthusiastically participated and raised money to fund programs which help keep other children safe and healthy, while providing them with support and education. Well done to you all!

- Miss M J Clifton



Key Dates:

Wednesday 22nd March - Inter-house Cross Country

Thursday 23rd March - Easter Service at St Mary's Church
- House Poetry Competition

Friday 24th March - Easter Bonnet Parade at 8.50am
End of Spring Term

Monday 27th - Friday 31st March - Easter Holiday Club

Monday 17th April - Summer Term Commences

Friday 21st April - PTFA Quiz Night

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th April - Illustration workshops with Polly Dunbar



Easter Holiday Club

Our Easter Holiday Club will be running from **Monday 27th to Friday 31st March** for all children in Reception to Year Six. We also open our invitation to friends and family members in those same year groups to book and come along too.

Cost - £35 per day / £140 for the week (receive one day FOC)

Our daily activities are as follows:

Monday	Easter Cookery
Tuesday	Easter Arts & Crafts
Wednesday	Sports and Games
Thursday	Outdoor Education
Friday	Easter Party, Activities and Movie Day

9.00am to 3.30pm daily

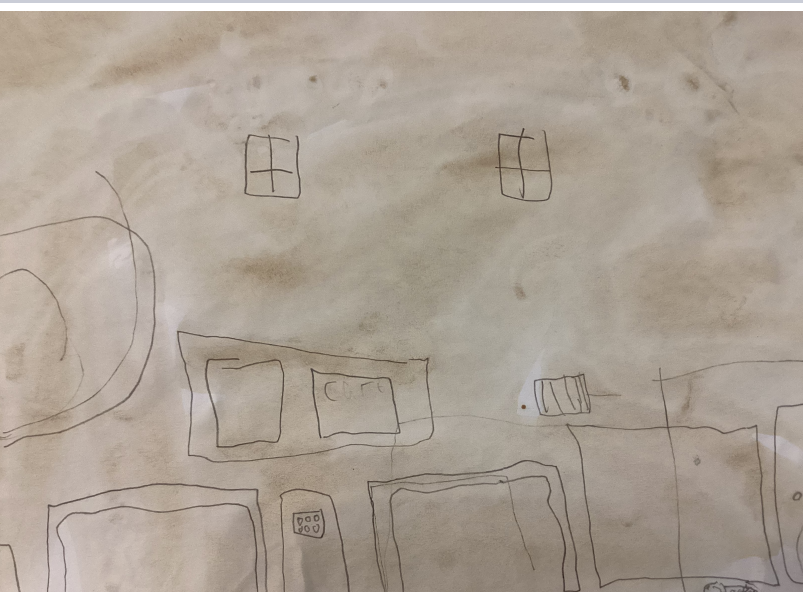
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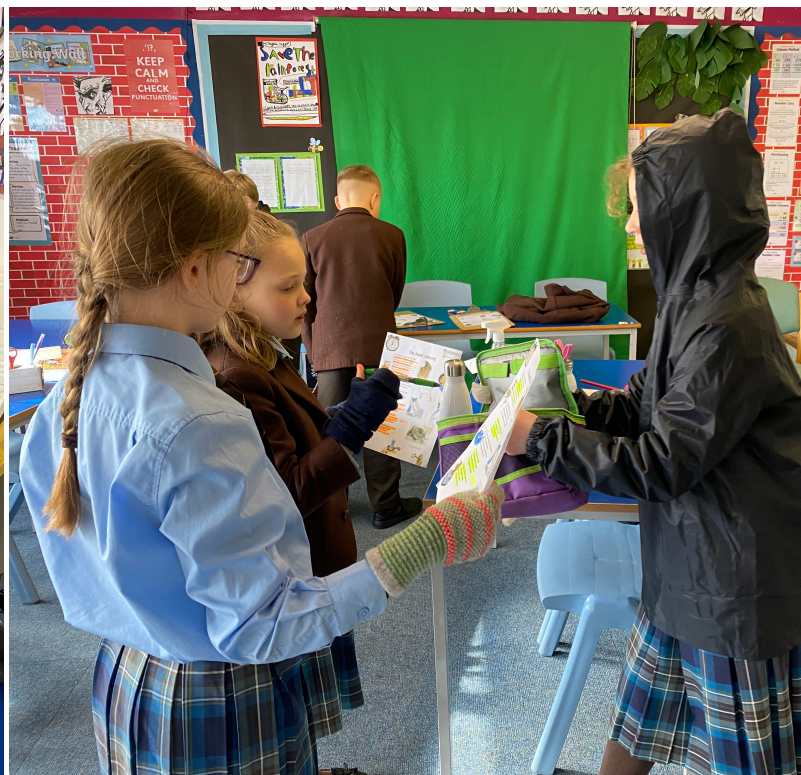
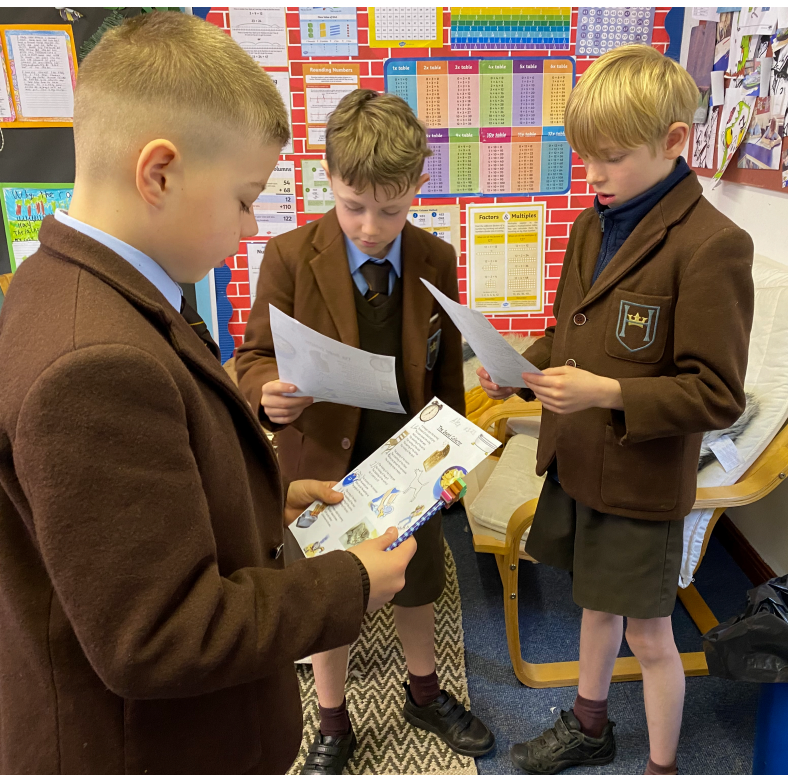
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In Year Two, we are thoroughly enjoying our English topic on 'The dragon machine' by Helen Ward. We have drawn maps of our classroom with dragons hiding somewhere. Can you find them? We also read 'The paper bag princess' by Robert Munsch, which inspired us to write our own dragon stories about princes, princesses and dragons! In art, we have created some artwork based on dragons too.

- Mrs Solomon

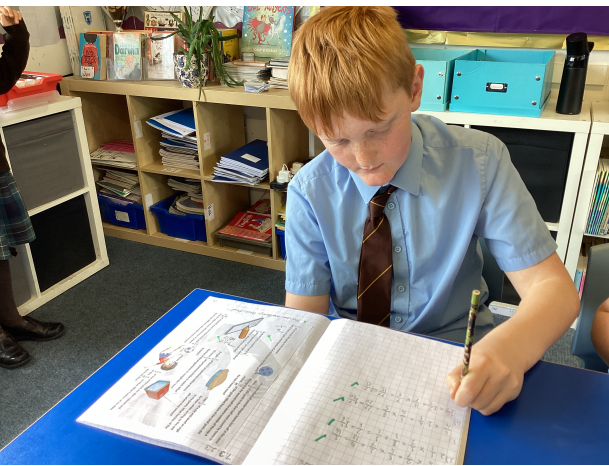
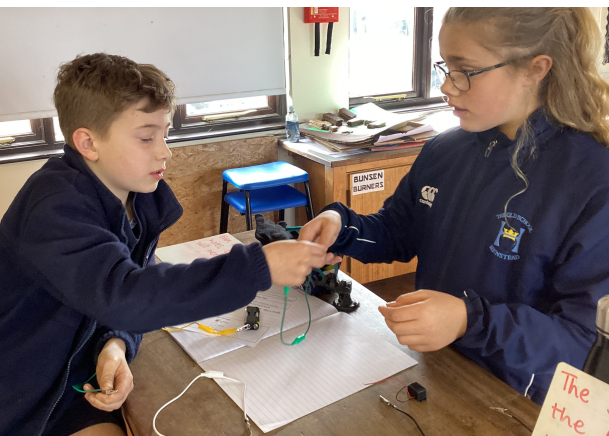
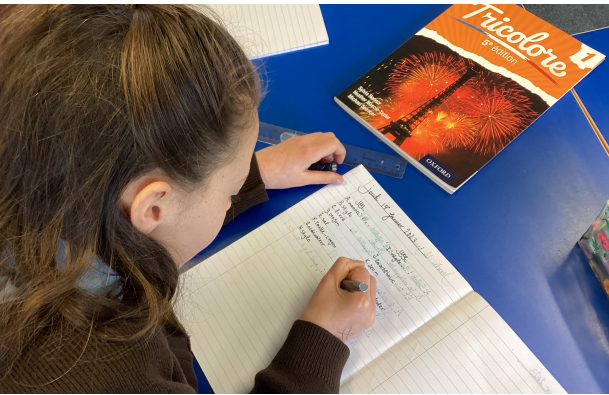




For the upcoming poetry competition, Year Four have selected their poems and begun learning them. Throughout the process, I have been delighted with the pupils' engagement. While initially we focussed on memorising the words and considering uses of expression, as the week breezed by, we further considered the tone of our poems and how that may change our reading style.

While the term is near to its close, the level of effort shown in lessons has been excellent. Unlike Whitman's O Captain! My Captain!, our trip is neither fearful or done. We look forward to next week where we can showcase our efforts and courage in performing for our school friends.

- Mr Hunt

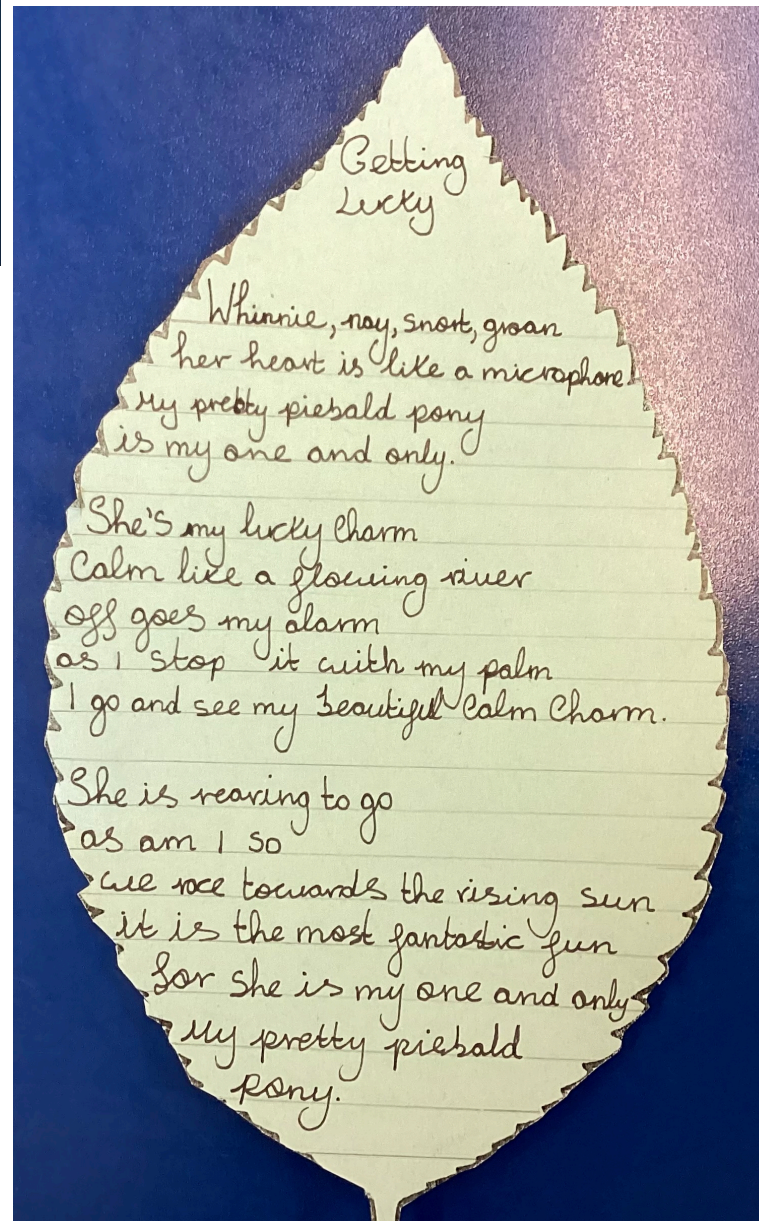
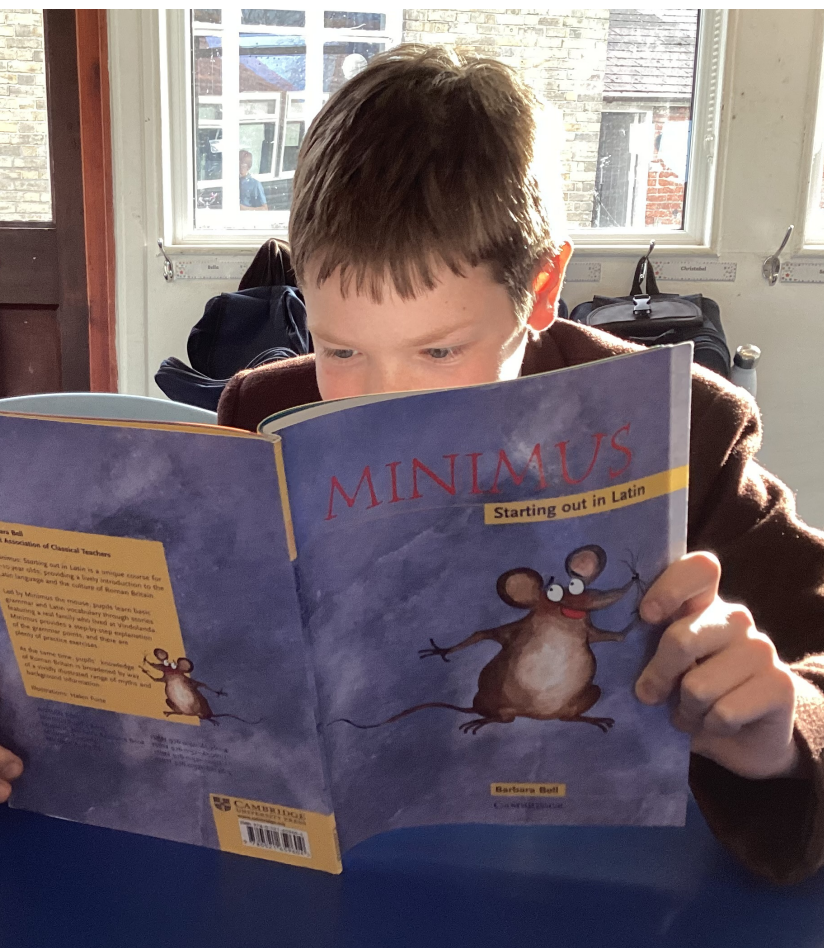
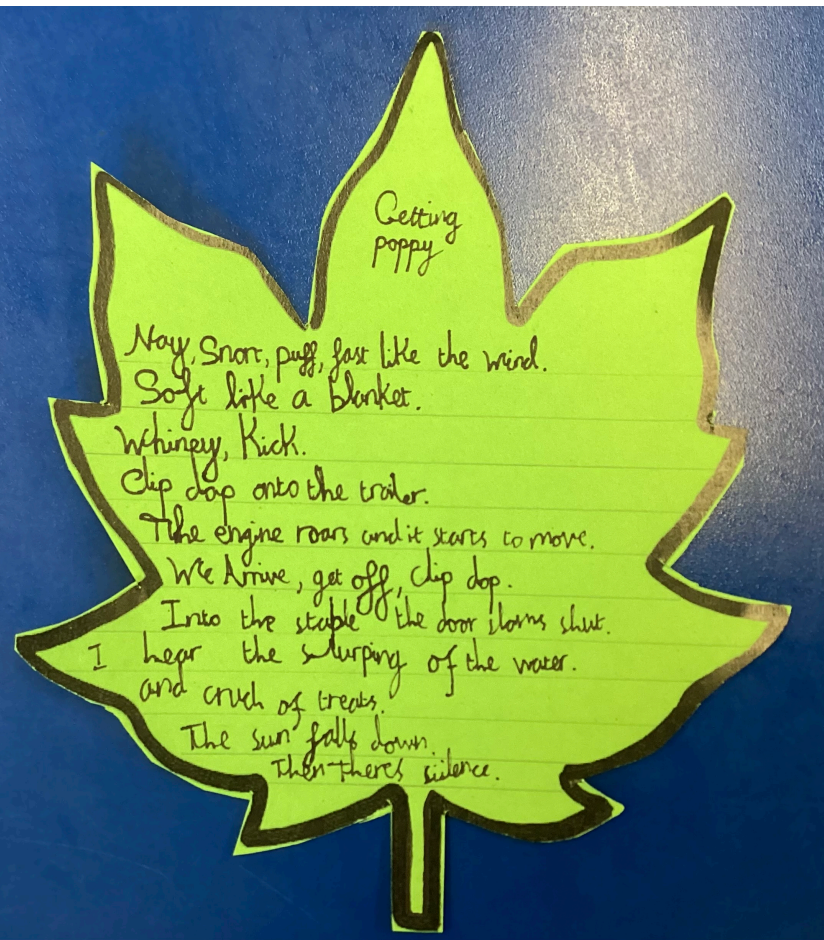


A day in the life of Year 6

Days are busy in Year 6. We might be calculating angles in maths, writing poetry in English, conjugating verbs in Latin, playing netball in games lessons, conducting experiments in the science lab or rehearsing our dance routine for an upcoming assembly performance. Oops, almost forgot Humanities, where we're currently exploring the formation of mountains. Phew!

- Mrs Sonn







Yoga and Mindfulness Club

This week in yoga and mindfulness, we made glitter shakers to help calm our minds and put together all the moves that we have learnt into a full yoga sequence!





School Mascots



Mascots were awarded this week to the pupils best demonstrating our school values for this half term; adventure and analysis.

Well done to all of this week's mascot winners!

Reception: Lily
Year One: Margot
Year Two: Carter

Year Three: Saffie
Year Four: Violette
Year Six: Ruby



Achievements

Well done to our Silver certificate winners this week - Minty, Max and Freddie.



Show and Tell



Thank you to Hugo, Cody and Aurora for sharing with us your ammonite, bog baby and jewellery box!



Red Nose Day



Thank you to Mrs Webster for all of the wonderful red noses!



School Notices

Summer Dresses

Summer dresses, with white ankle socks can be worn from the start of the Summer Term (weather permitting). Our Uniform Shop are open on Monday morning from 8.30am and Thursday afternoon from 3.30pm.



The Great Book Exchange

We are organising a book swap for next term. Please could you have a rummage around at home and bring any books you no longer read into school, so that they can be read and loved by someone new.





YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR:

Easter Bonnet Parade

FRIDAY 24TH MARCH
8:50AM
THE ORCHARD

THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD IS
DELIGHTED TO INVITE ALL PUPILS
TO TAKE PART IN THIS EASTER
TRADITION! PLEASE CREATE AN
EASTER BONNET TO WEAR IN A
PARADE AT THE END OF TERM.

PRIZES FOR:
MOST COLOURFUL
MOST CREATIVE
THE LARGEST



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