

# MOSELEY

CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Weekly news

Find out what we have been doing this week -



## *Message from Miss Young and Mrs. Perry*

Oh my goodness – we aren't quite sure where this half term has gone, but all of a sudden we are at the final week – which scarily means we are half way through the school year!! I know – scary thought!!

Well, what a week we have just had – we hope that the children have come home and shared their enthusiasm with you, as much as they have been eager to tell us what they have been doing when they have seen us in the corridors and at lunch time.

We started the week with a visit from Billesley Tennis Club and 30 minute tennis taster sessions for Y1 – 4, led by Coach Phil, which got their week off to a flying start.

On Tuesday, Year 6 were absolutely full of excitement as they told us all about their virtual meeting with Lucy Strange – a children's author – they were so enthused about it they couldn't get their words out quick enough – Miss Stent has made a whole page of their thoughts after their meeting – they have been motivated to write their own stories and we can't wait to see what they produce.

Year 1 had a busy day on Wednesday when they went to the Black Country Living Museum – they had such a good day and we were very grateful to all the staff who went to help.

Thursday saw us celebrating everything 'number' as we joined in with National Number Day – a huge thank you to Gemma and the PTA for buying maths games to play – and another thank you to Mr. Boulton for, not only running the day, but also for bringing in some of his own maths games for the children to play – each class had a session in the hall and they absolutely loved playing the games and working together.

Year R also had fun, on Thursday, with a visit from the animal lady – she brought a lizard, a snake, a honey bear called Esther, and other fascinating animals that the children loved meeting.

We have also had a focus on mental health and the importance of having a positive mental attitude to help us navigate each day – we have talked about feelings, how to get ourselves back to a 'good place', and who we can talk to and what we can do if we are feeling a bit stuck or frustrated.

Wow – there's even more updates on the next page – keep reading ....



We hope you kept reading ....

Wow – we did so much last week, we need another page to fit all our exciting things in

To end the week with a flourish, we were excited to welcome ‘Steel’ to Moseley CE – he thoroughly enjoyed meeting the children and sharing his ideas around thinking positively and staying healthy and active to help us learn and grow.

The children loved meeting him and chatting to him, as well as getting a signed photo and water bottle, which they should have brought home.

Another thank you to Gemma and the PTA for organising Steel’s visit.

Let’s see what this week has to offer –

There is a focus on Internet Safety on Tuesday, visits to some classes from ‘Dog’s Trust’ and a KS2 Hockey Tournament on Thursday.

Finally, don’t forget that **Friday is the PTA End of Half Term Disco** where all proceeds raised will be shared between the **school and West Midlands Air Ambulance** – more details of this to follow in the news letter – you’d better read on to see our super photos from last week, information about the disco and World Book Day, half term activities and much more... Phew – we are tired already!!

# Help save lives and Wear it Red in 2025!

10th - 16th February 2025

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#WearItRed2025

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**When - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

**KS1 – 2 – 3pm**

**Where – Moseley CE School Hall**

**KS2 – 3.30 – 4.30pm**

**Who – all our children**

**Why** – we need as many of you as possible to support the Midlands Air Ambulance and our school PTA by coming to the disco.

**Non School Uniform Day** \*\* a donation made via the PTA \*

**£5 suggested donation for the disco, sweets, drink etc...**

**Wear Red** (or a near enough colour) to show your support.

Football kits / sports shirts / jeans and a top – anything sensible for a day at school

**NO FANCY DRESS OR PRINCESS DRESSES PLEASE**



SUPPORT US



# Half-Term



# DISCO

**FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025**

**Rec & KS1**

2pm to 3pm

**KS2**

3.30pm to 4.30pm



Midlands  
Air Ambulance  
Charity\*

Wear it red on the day for non-uniform day to support the vital work the Midlands Air Ambulance does to help those in need.

Please give what you can and select the ticket price you would like to pay on PTA Events.

All profits go to the Moseley C of E PTA & the Midlands Air Ambulance.

The ticket price includes face paint, temporary tattoos, sweets, popcorn and squash/water. Plus, an amazing half-term disco!



## TICKETS

- **Suggested cost: £5 per child**
- Please give what you can
- All proceeds go to the PTA & Midlands Air Ambulance
- [www.pta-events.co.uk/moseleycofe](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/moseleycofe)



# YR News

## Snails!

This week, we read 'The Snail and the Whale' and we loved using dough to make our own snails. Reception looked very carefully at images of snails to make sure they included lots of detail in their models.



## The Snail and the Whale

Our story this week led to lots of fabulous writing. We used the tablets to write messages to help save the whale, and then we wrote a message to the whale on a rock.



## Puzzles

On Thursday, we were very excited to join Mr. Boulton in the hall for a NSPCC Number Day Puzzle Workshop. There were lots of fantastic games and puzzles to work on, and Reception worked hard to solve complicated puzzles, take turns in games and work as a team.



## Doubles

In Maths, this week, we learnt about doubles. On Monday, we explored pairs and doubles, thinking about how to represent doubles in a pair-wise pattern on a ten frame, and then later in the week we had a doubles hunt using numicon.



## REP Theatre

This week, we explored a story about an octopus, during our weekly REP Theatre sessions. Tuesdays are a real highlight in YR!



## Maths

Over the past few weeks a group of children have been exploring using the multilink cubes. This week, they worked hard to develop their learning and created their own instructions for building the multilink models that they had made. Later in the week, Henry built on this idea, inspired by the puzzle workshop, and created instructions for his own game. Fabulous maths Reception!



## We are celebrating you!

This week, we are celebrating Adam for his problem solving skills.



# Visit from some Amazing Animals!

## Amazing Animals!

This week, Reception had a very, very special visit from Laura and some rather amazing animals. We met a guinea pig, cockroach, snake, bearded dragon, frog and honey bear. We learnt lots about animals, as well as learning how to handle them carefully.



# YR Mental Health Day

## All feelings are okay!

We started the day with a special circle time to talk about the different feelings that we experience. Miss. Barker played some music and, when it stopped, whoever was holding Jigsaw Jeni, was able to choose an emotion card and talk about what the child in the image was feeling. We then talked about how all feelings are okay, and ways to manage difficult feelings.



## Mindful and Creative Fun

During the day, we chose activities that helped us feel creative, expressive or connect with our inner feelings. We took part in mindfulness colouring, self portrait drawing, feelings drawing, designing badges of joy for the Walk to School project and marble painting.



## Gladiator Steel

Reception were very excited to welcome 'Steel' into school today. Steel talked to us about the importance of taking care of our mental wellbeing, and of confidence. He also showed us his hand walking.



## Mindful Yoga

At the end of the day, we enjoyed a yoga session in our class.





# Year 1 News

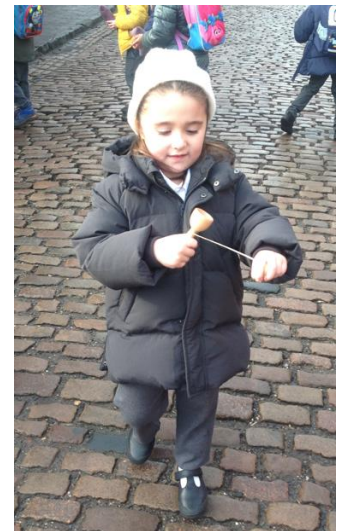
## Trip to the Black Country Living Museum



We had a fantastic trip to the Black Country Living Museum! The children played with old toys and marvelled at how much they have changed over time. They asked some super questions about the shops and buildings we visited, showing their curiosity.

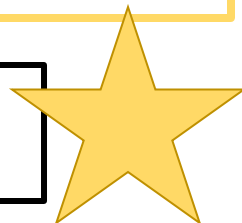


A highlight was watching a black-and-white Mickey Mouse cartoon at the cinema! We also enjoyed a lesson in a Victorian school, practising the alphabet (backwards!) just like children did many years ago!



This week, we want to celebrate the whole class for their enthusiasm and enjoyment during our trip to the Black Country Living Museum – they made us so proud!

"I liked going on the old bus" – Emily O.  
"I enjoyed going in the old shops" – Inaya  
"It was fun to play with the outside toys" - Faria



# Year 1 News

## Mental Health Week in Year 1

In Year 1, we discussed the Zones of Regulation and explored strategies to help us return to the green zone. The children shared activities they enjoy that help them feel balanced and calm. We also created paper chains decorated with pictures and words that celebrate our interests and the activities we can engage in to look after our wellbeing.

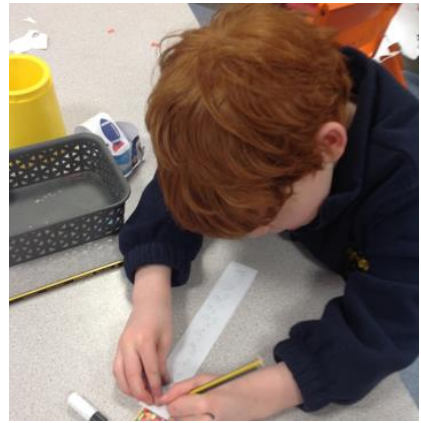
We listened to relaxing music as we created our paper chains. Afterwards, we enjoyed a brain break outside!

“If you’re feeling in the red zone, you could ask for fresh air” – Ali

“It’s important to do exercise, eat healthily and drink lots of water” – Hawa

“You could play outside, if you’re feeling sad” – Sophia

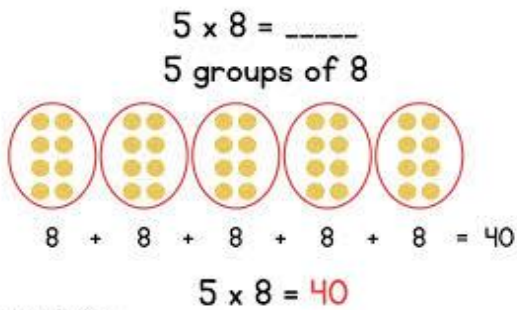
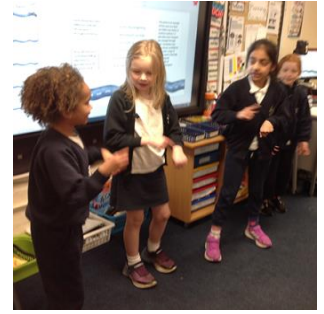
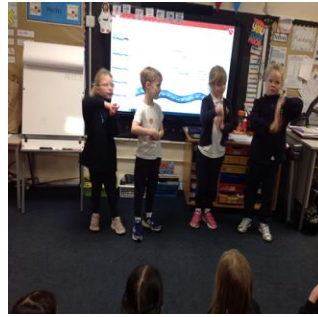
“If you’re in the blue zone, you could take deep breaths” – Alice L.



# Y2 News

## English:

This week, we read and understood the layout of a poem about travel. Performing the poem was great fun!! We read our poem with great fluency, used intonation and added actions to engage the audience.



## Maths:

This week, we made connections between repeated addition and multiplication. In small steps, we started to make this connection by recognising equal groups. Now we can recognise both equal and unequal groups and explain the reasons.

## Science:

We have been learning about the animals and plants that live in polar habitats. This includes the Arctic and Antarctica. We identified some animals and plants that are able to survive in these extreme conditions. We know now that polar temperatures can become extremely cold in the winter and only certain animals and plants can survive there.



## PE

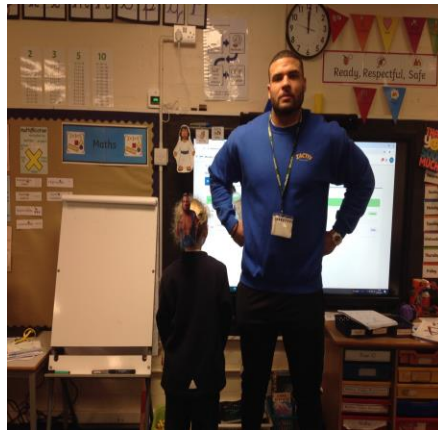


In PE, we have worked hard to intercept a ball from a person on the other team. We also had a tennis coach in to work with us to develop our skills.

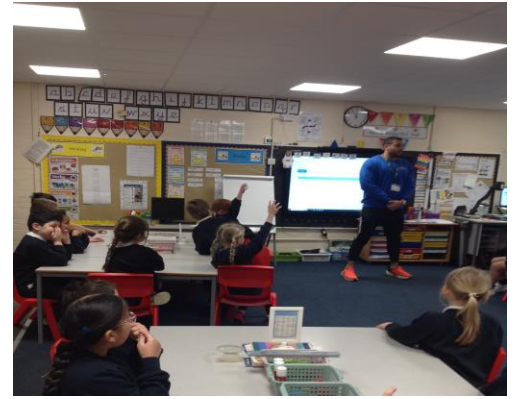


Writer of the Week: Imogen

Star of the week is: Ali Hassn



**We were lucky enough to have a visit from Gladiator 'Steel' today. We talked about a healthy diet and exercise, as well as being positive and focussing on our aims.**

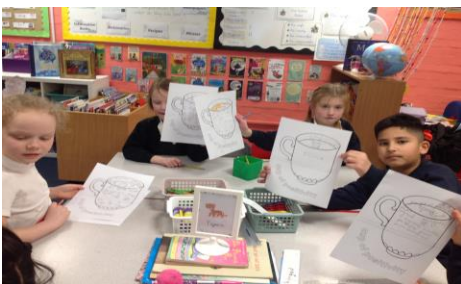


To celebrate Mental Well Being Day, we participated in discussions and activities.

"Having good mental health makes life easier." Poesy

"Good mental health helps us to calm and comfort ourselves when we're upset." Abigail

"Good mental health helps us to keep good relationships with other people." Amare  
**Good mental health helps us to cope with the losses, changes, and challenges in life.**



"Be positive and don't be scared". Mimi

"Never ever give up". Bella

"Always be confident and believe in yourself". Safouane



"Never give up on your missions". Theo

# Year 3 News

This week, in DT, we started creating our pneumatic toys. Our theme is animals. Some created a shark's mouth and some created a frog's mouth. Next week, we will be finishing it off so it moves!



In Science, we went around school and did a rock survey, identifying type of rocks we could find. We also did an experiment to see which rocks would float in water and which ones would sink!



In Computing, we focused on how to be kind online and how to write a positive email.



We had a tennis taster session, at the beginning of the week, which we really enjoyed!



This week in Year 3, we are celebrating Phoebe for being a kind and helpful member of the class!

## Writers of the week



This week our writers of the week are:

Felix & Clara

Amazing research work on Alexander Graham Bell

# Mental Health Week

This week, it was Mental Health Week, and on Friday we took part in lots of different activities.

We discussed what mental health is and how it impacts our behaviour. We wrote a prayer about what we are grateful for, because we know that taking part in activities outside of school helps our mental health, as well as spending time with friends and family!

We also had a visit from STEEL from Gladiators. He told us all about his journey to becoming a confident person. We enjoyed asking him questions about Gladiators!



# Year 4 News

```
when clicked
  set score to 0
  ask "What's your name?" and wait
  set name to answer
  ask "Pick a number" and wait
  set Multiplier to answer
  say join "Hi " name for 2 seconds
  ask join "What is 3 x " Multiplier and wait
  if answer = Multiplier * 3 then
    say join "Well done " name for 2 seconds
    change score by 1
  else
    say "Not quite" for 2 seconds
```



In Computing, this week, we finished designing our own times table games. We had to continue with our code to ask the player their name and to pick a number. Then, they were asked a multiplication question based on the number they chose.



Also, this week was Children's Mental Health Week and we had a visit from the Gladiator 'Steel'. He spoke to us about the importance of mental health and did a workout with us too!



This week was also Puzzle Day. Year 4, as well as all the other classes in the school, went into the hall to use and apply their maths skills to a range of challenges and puzzles. The children had a great time!



Our star this week is Annabelle! For always coming to school with a positive attitude and a great outlook, no matter what! Well done.



## Writers of the week:



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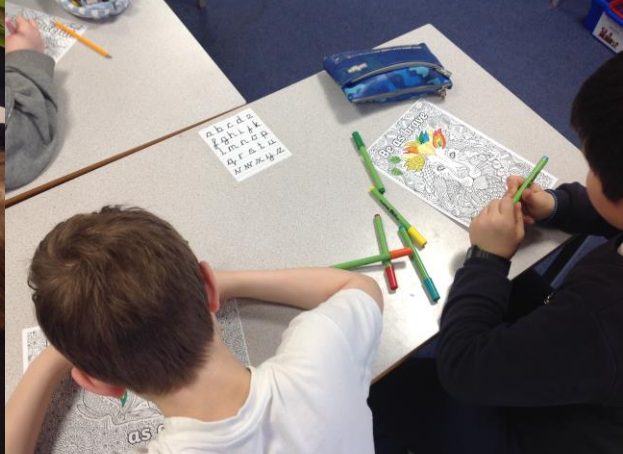
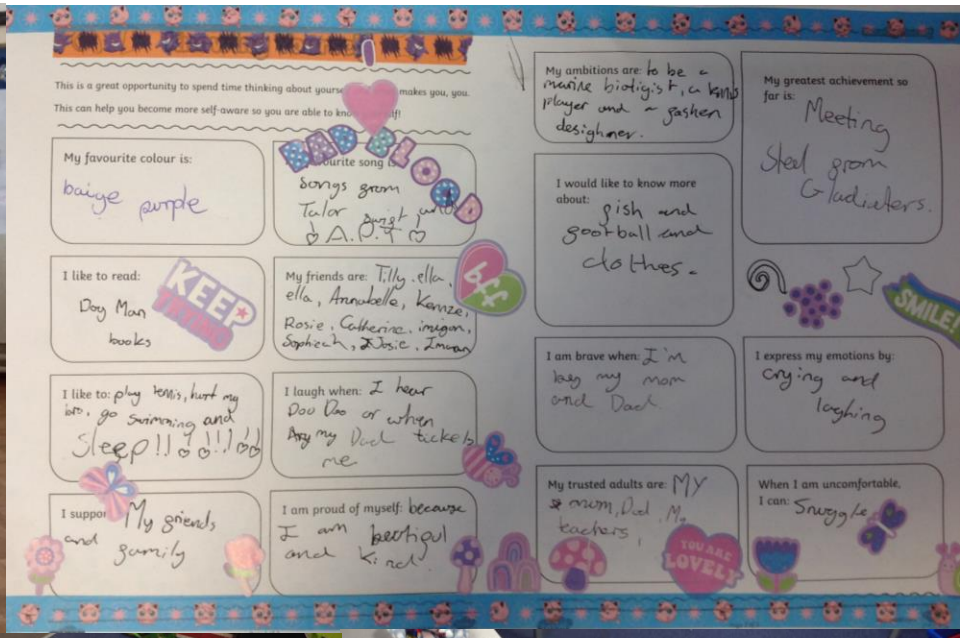
Coby & Imogen

- for generating some great ideas this week for their stories

'Puzzle day was great today! I really enjoyed trying the different games, some were very challenging' -

# Year 4 News

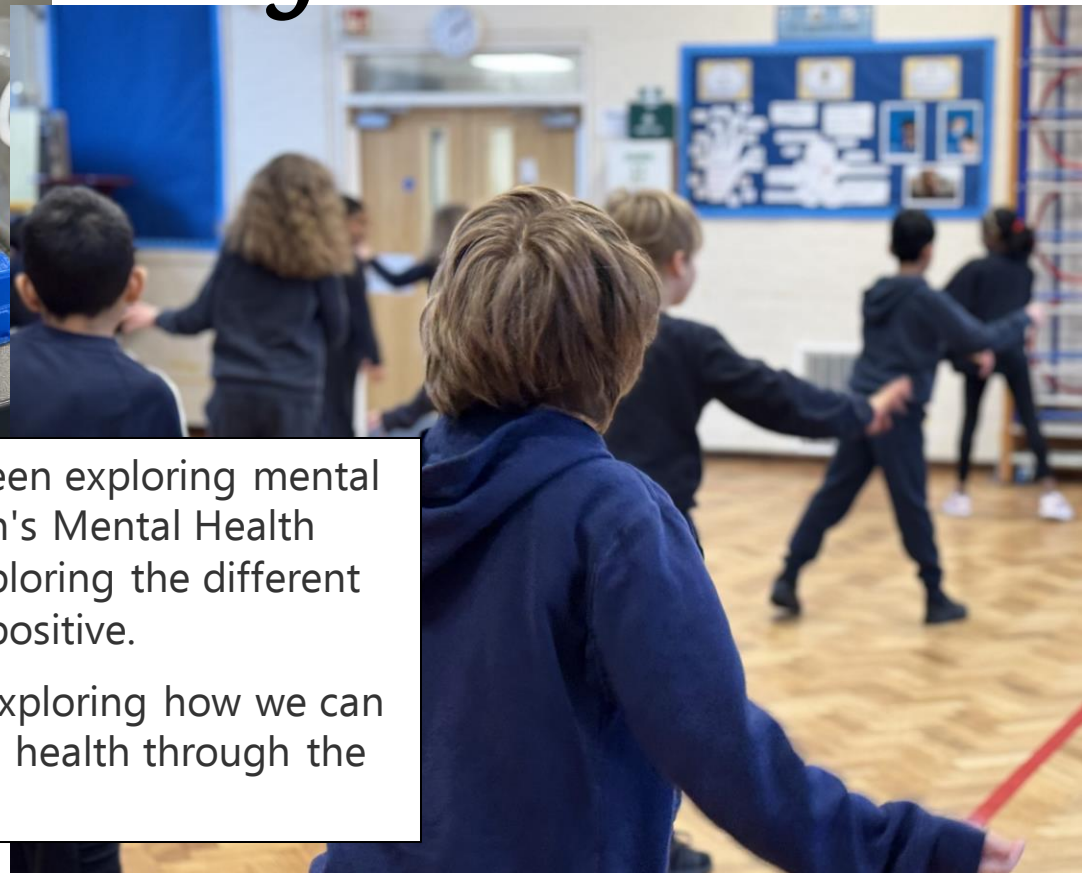
Children's Mental Health Week 2025 – Y4



'I really enjoyed mental health week! It was great to do some mindfulness activities!' – Tilly



# Year 5 News



This week, Year 5 have been exploring mental health as part of 'Children's Mental Health Week'. We have been exploring the different ways to support staying positive.

The children have been exploring how we can use art to support mental health through the work of Kandinsky.



We also had an amazing visit from a real-life gladiator! Steel stole the show with his amazing talk with the children.

He was able to talk to the children about overcoming fear, which the children enjoyed.



## Shining Star!

Our Shining Star this week is Mathilda for showing kindness and patience.



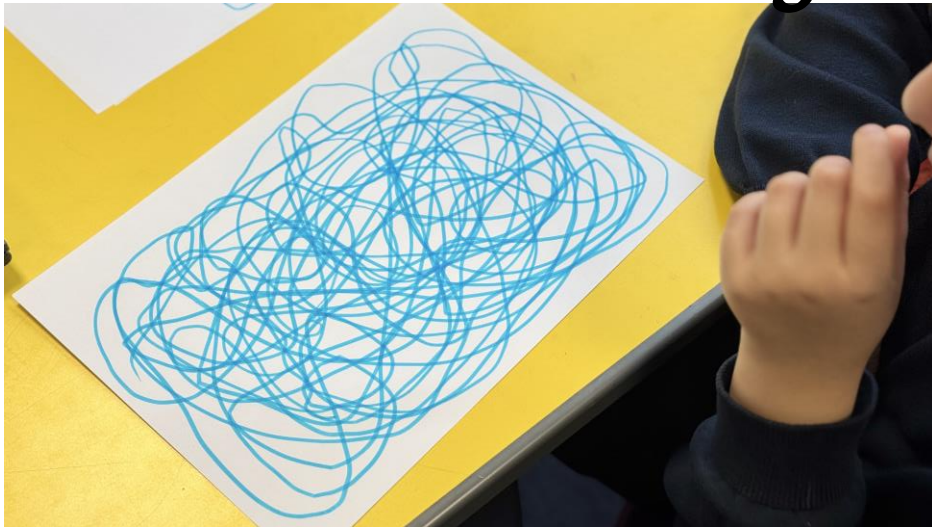
## Writers of the week!

This week, we are celebrating Ava and Ben for their creative narrative writing.



# Year 5 News

## Children's mental health week 2025

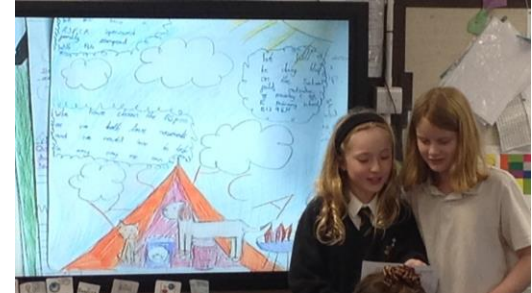
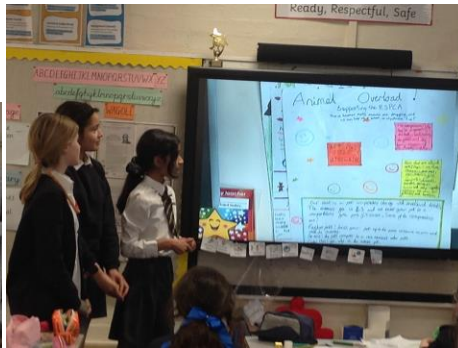
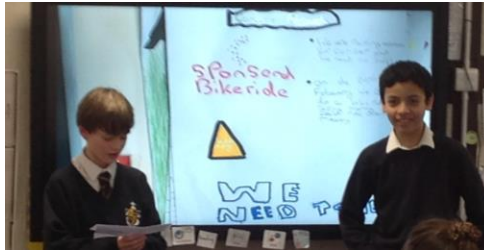


The children looked at lots of ways to support our mental health this week, from art to exercise. We also had an amazing Number day and a visit from a gladiator as part of Children's Mental Health Week.



# Year 6 News

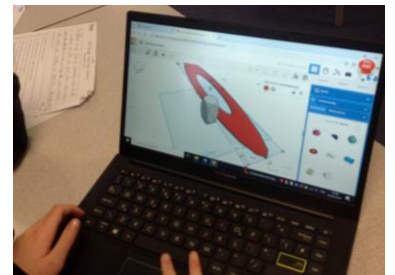
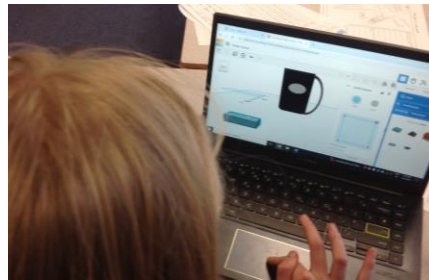
For PSHE, Year 6 have been working in groups to plan an event that could raise money for a charity/worthy cause. They had to consider: what skills and resources they would need; what the different roles would be in the group; who their event would help and what the impact might be. Once they had finished planning, each group had to present their ideas to the class.



In DT, Year 6 have been designing and programming a navigation tool and multifunctional device for trekkers. This week, they have been attempting to recreate their designs using Tinkercad.



This week, our shining star is Martha, for excellent passing and team work skills in hockey.



Our writers of the week are Elizabeth and Popp for great diary entries about the scientist, Luigi Galvani.



# Year 6 News

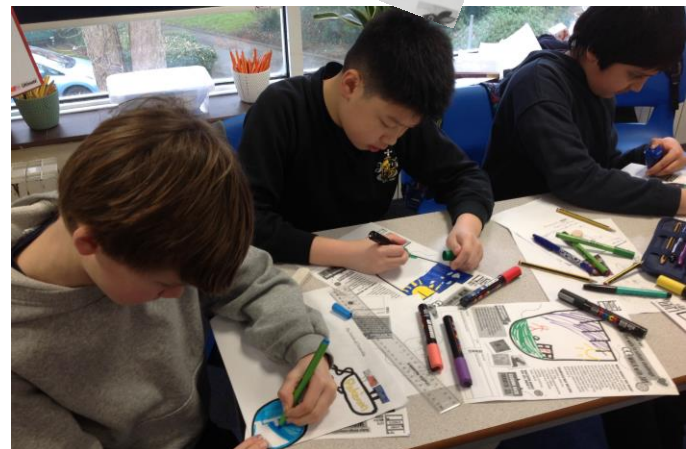
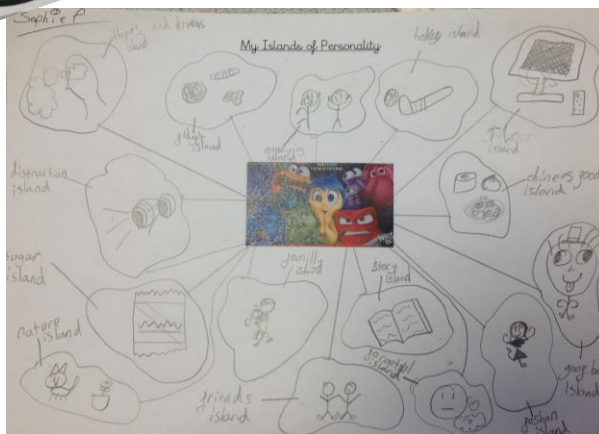
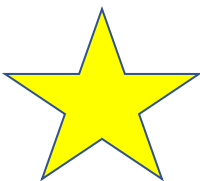
## Mental Health Week



Yoga



Mental Health Week Activities



# Year 6 News



This week, Year 6 participated in an online workshop with Lucy Strange, an author who writes historical novels for children. Lucy shared advice and tips for writing stories and she read from one of her own books, *The Storm and the Minotaur*. At the end, the children were able to ask Lucy questions about her writing.

The workshop was brilliant, nothing went wrong and she gave us ideas for writing a story. She also let us ask questions and gave information about herself. (Cheng)

I think Lucy Strange is interesting, because she talked about how she edits her work until she gets a reaction from reading it. (Eesa)

I loved it so much that I've started writing a story called 'Dragon Boy' (Sophie F)

I liked hearing about her different books and how she was inspired. (Katie)

I think it was an interesting experience and it was great for inspiration. I got so many ideas and I'm writing story called *Cerberus's Mystery*. (Benji)

I enjoyed the workshop with Lucy as it inspired me to write about something I'm passionate about. (Amelie)

I really enjoyed the workshop with Lucy Strange because her enthusiasm and energy was really infectious and her advice to carry on was so true. Her books sound really interesting and I love how she bases them on history and folklore. (Scarlett)



I enjoyed learning about ways to store your ideas so you can remember what to write about. (Popp)

I really liked this online workshop because it was the first one I've been to and there were so many schools. I also liked it because it gave me great ideas for an amazing story. (Darcey)

I loved the workshop, it gave me a lot of ideas (Lauren A)

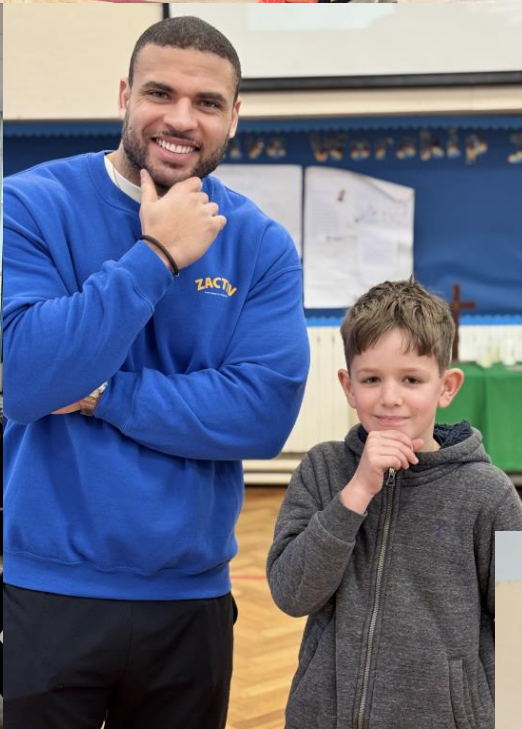
I enjoyed the workshop with Lucy Strange because she told us lots of amazing ideas for writing and her books sound very interesting. (Burhan)

I like how she showed parts of her books (Shiv)

I found the workshop very inspirational to young writers and she had lots of great ideas for her new books. (Bea Bea)

I liked how she had written lots of books and I like how she was inspired to write them. (Fatemazahra)

I found it very interesting, even though I had never heard of her. She inspired me to think of my own ideas even though I don't usually like writing (Martha).





# Maths - Number / Puzzle Day 2025



*'I really enjoyed mental health week! It was great to do some mindfulness activities!' – Tilly*





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11<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Abdul

The Trustees of Birmingham Christmas Shelter are sending a special thank you to you, your staff, your pupils and their parents for the school's donations of groceries, snacks, treats and clothing to us this year. The volume collected was amazing and your donations were used as follows:

- Our guests enjoyed 3 hot professional chef cooked meals each day as well as snacks, hot drinks and treats in between meals, all part of building them up to better withstand the cold weather ahead.
- Most of the groceries went into housing starter packs that we give to those guests who are given somewhere new to live, especially as few shops are open on Christmas Day.
- Guests were able to select a bag of clothing, footwear and toiletries to take with them when they left us.

I have attached our Trustee Report on Shelter Week 2024, with a young children's version in easy words and pictures, to give you all an overall picture of what we do.

Our guests tell us how much they appreciate having Shelter Week and knowing that people like you, care about their welfare.

Thanking you again for your support this year.

Yours sincerely

Shirley Mallon  
Secretary and Executive Trustee  
for and on behalf of The Trustees of Birmingham Christmas Shelter  
[Shirley@birminghamchristmasshelter.org](mailto:Shirley@birminghamchristmasshelter.org)

Birmingham Christmas Shelter charity number: 1002891  
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Amazing work from everyone for supporting the Birmingham Christmas Shelter during Christmas. We received a lovely letter thanking everyone for your kind donations.



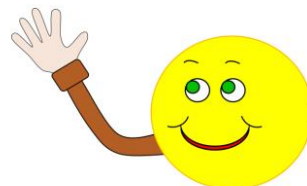
Big thank you to all the school children and their families who gave us snacks and food to give to homeless people



About 200 people came for Christmas each day to have hot food, showers, friends, haircuts, clothes, watch TV & sleep



200 x



# Maths award winners

Best accuracy on number bonds to 10!



Numbots of the week!

Year R – Khadijah

Year 1 – Faria

Year 2 – Abigail



Biggest improvement compare to year group average!



Rockstars of the week!

Year 3 – Adam

Year 4 – Yusuf

Year 5 – Eva

Year 6 – Lauren A

Great work this week everyone! Keep on working hard!



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# FEBRUARY HALF TERM



## ATTWELL FARM

18th February 2025

**£18.00 per person** Admission included

Enjoy an unforgettable day on the farm as you immerse yourself in all the activities available from the small animal petting barn to meeting this seasons lambs.

## RAF COSFORD

19th February 2025

**£12.50 per person**

Explore all the exhibits the museum has to offer before heading outside to the aviation themed playground.



## IRONBRIDGE

20th February 2025

**£12.50 per person**

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FREE Active Play sessions for schools – visit [kingscamps.org/active-play](http://kingscamps.org/active-play)



## Author Visit 2025



We are delighted that acclaimed storyteller and author, Cat Weatherill, will be visiting Moseley C of E on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, the day before World Book Day 2025!

Cat has written a host of fantastic books for all ages and has kindly agreed to sign copies on the day of her visit.

- You can pre-order your books direct from Cat by emailing [catw@btconnect.com](mailto:catw@btconnect.com)
- Please let her know your child's class & age
- The book(s) you would like to buy
- Cat will then be in touch with a payment link

**'Cat is one of our great storytellers'**

Michael Morpurgo, author of 'War Horse.'

For more information go to [catweatherillauthor.com](http://catweatherillauthor.com)



### BARKBELLY

A wooden boy goes in search of his real family in a best-selling magical fantasy adventure (Age 8+ / £7)



### WHERE MAGIC HIDES

Seven stories set in Wales about finding magic close to home – whether it's trolls, ponies, rainbows or fearsome water leapers! (Age 8+ / £7)



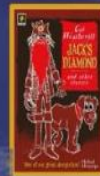
### ZAC AND THE ZOMBEARDS

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