

# NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale CE Primary School



The class with the best attendance at 98.5% was Year 3 .



The class with the best punctuality with 1 child late all week was Year 5.



Rec: Athena & Jaan  
Y1: Henry & Rei  
Y2: Robyn and Micah  
Y3: Ellie and Theo A  
Y4: Year 4  
Y5: Ezekiel and Andreas  
Y6: Leo and Renee

Rec: Elio & Emily  
Y1: Lusia & Fraser  
Y2: Faantole & Willow  
Y3: Lucia & Louis  
Y5: Sophie, Immy  
Anaafie & Ruqayyah  
Y6: Bea & Leonidas

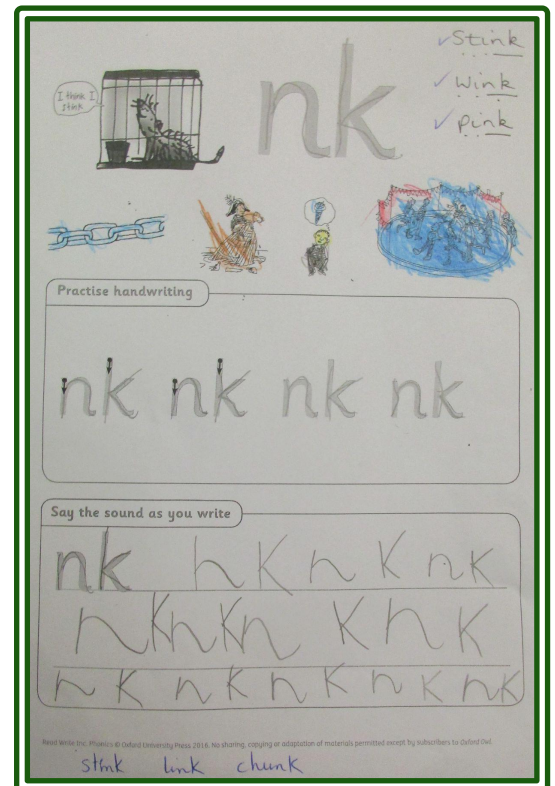
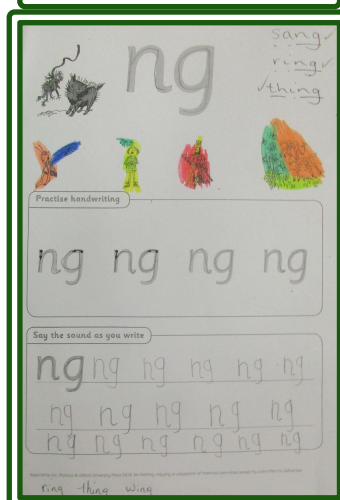
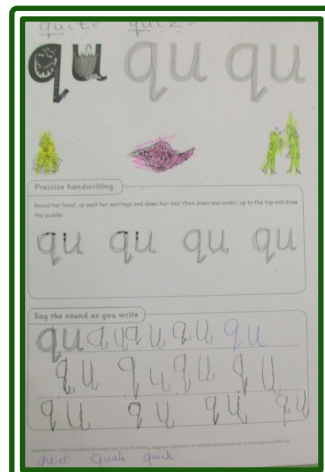
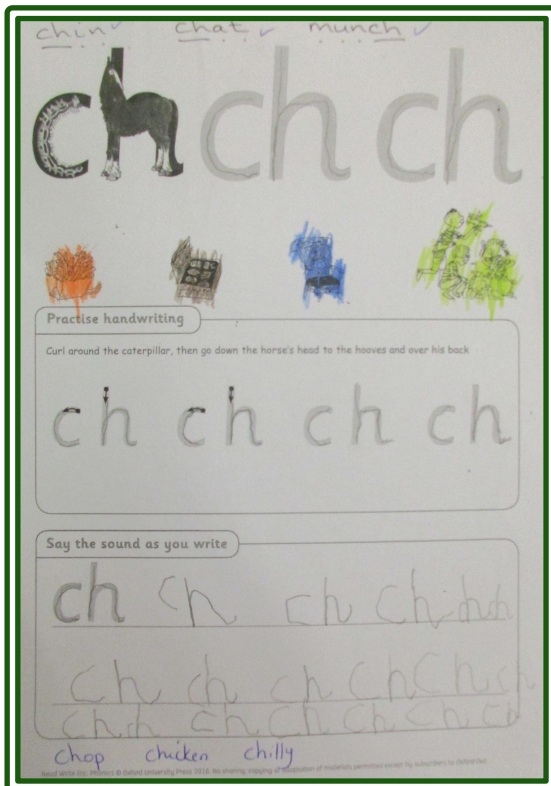


# Reception News



We are continuing to develop our knowledge of letters and sounds and are working hard on our letter formation.

We have been focusing on recognising and writing digraphs, thinking of words that have these digraphs and sounding out words with digraphs, for reading.







# Year 1 News



This week Year 1 have been learning more about shapes. We think we are now experts! We have also written a narrative story about Traction Man going to school. He went on some awesome adventures! Our favourite day this week has been Christmas Jumper day!







# Year 2 News



This week in Religious Education, Year 2 created artwork depicting the Nativity story. They used water colours and pastels to show the birth of Jesus (incarnation). They are looking forward to performing the Nativity next week for adults. Hope to see you there!

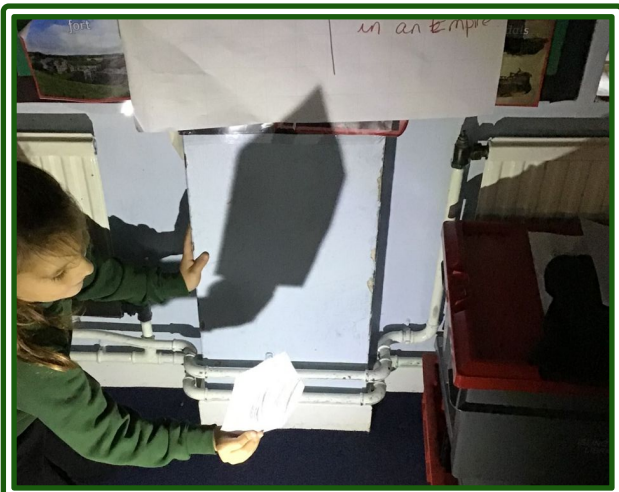
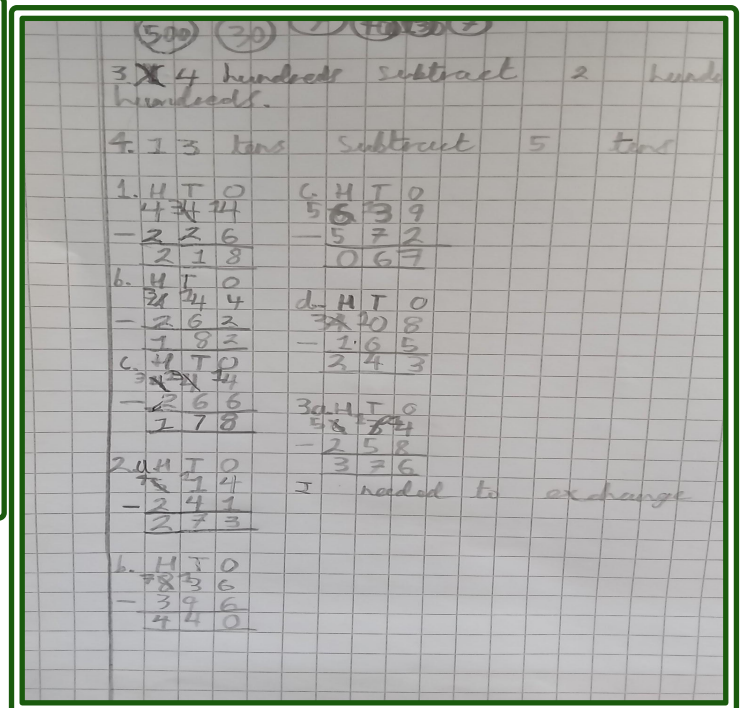




# Year 3 News



In year 3 this week we have been learning about shadows in science. We experimented with torches to see how shadows changed when the light moved closer or farther away. In maths, we've been doing very careful calculations using the formal written method. We started doing subtractions that needed to be exchanged across the tens. Additionally, we even found time to make some houses for hedgehogs.



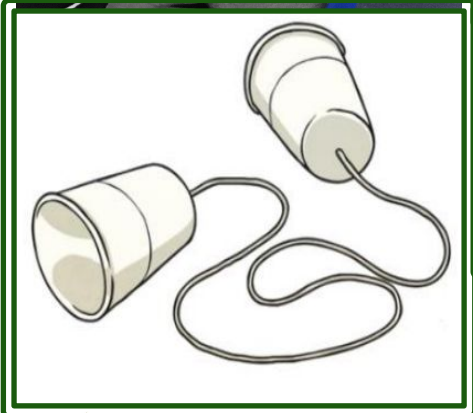




# Year 4 News



In Year 4, we are continuing to investigate sound and how it travels. This week, we created string telephones with our partners and tested them outside. We looked at how vibrations generate sound, and how the string vibrates when the sound travels across the string telephone - eventually reaching our ears. The experiment was very fun, and we worked very well with our partners!



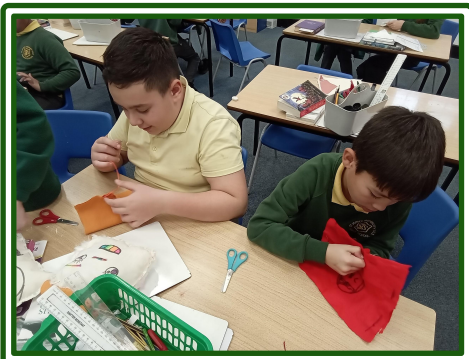
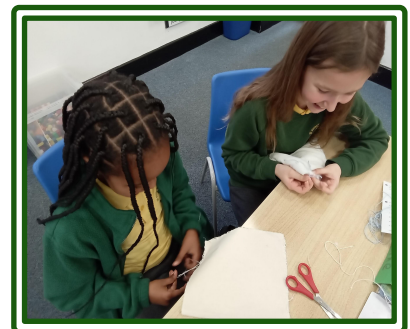
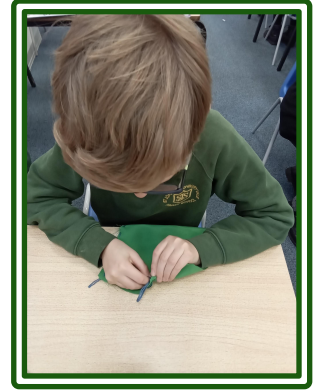
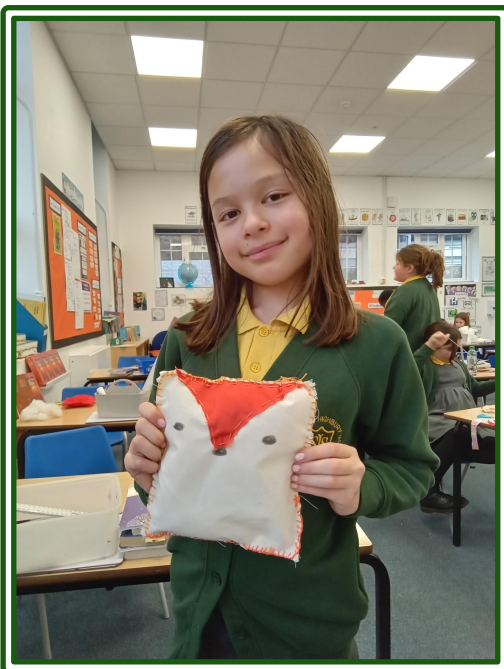




# Year 5 News



Year five have had another very good, very busy week! We started our learning in earnest about *The Tempest* and have now cast our play! Everyone has a part and I have sent the script home (via Google Classroom.) We finished this week off with a bit more sewing. We have gotten very close now to finishing our project. Here are some of our last few pieces being finished.





# Year 6 News



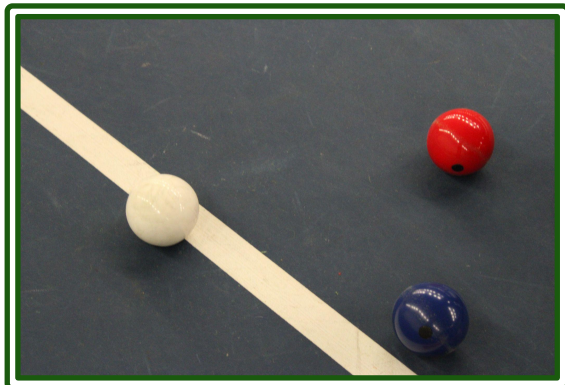
Year 6 have been practicing their flute and other instruments for our christmas performance next week. We are very excited to perform to the school and hope everyone enjoys it.







# Sports



This week, children from KS2 went to explore a sport called Boccia. It was a new experience for us and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Boccia is similar to Bowls. It is a target ball sport which tests both muscle control and accuracy. This was a competition format and the children finished in 3rd place. Well done all! After such a successful experience, we will explore this sport more during our PE lessons, and add it to our curriculum map!





# Online Safety



Check out these 5 tips 



## **Create screen-free times and zones.**

Help children take breaks from tech by limiting screen time in bedrooms, during study time or at the dinner table.



## **Try parental controls.**

Set content limits that make sense for your family. Alongside talking about healthy media habits, use features such as content filtering, privacy settings and time limits offered by the apps and platforms to help manage access and exposure to media.



## **Establish clear family rules.**

Decide together what kind of media and tech is OK -- and when it's OK to use it. A family media plan can help get everyone on the same page.



## **Watch and play together.**

Choose quality, age-appropriate media to enjoy with your children. Visit [commonsensemedia.org](https://commonsensemedia.org) to find movies, shows, games and more.



## **Help children identify healthy behaviours.**

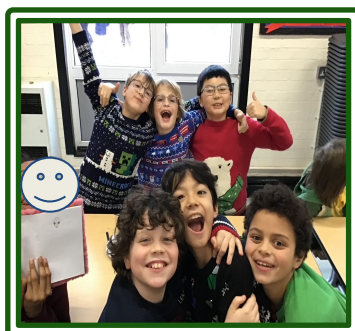
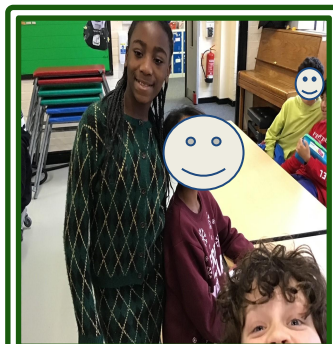
Practise talking about feelings -- both physical and emotional -- during screen and non-screen activities.





# Any other news

## Christmas Jumper Day 2023







# Any other news



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# Any other news



*Miracle Workers is our kids group that we run straight after school at 3:30. We pick up the children from St John's Highbury and take them over to church where they can play games, do crafts, and hear Bible stories.*

*Mondays: 3:30pm - 5:00pm*

*Year 3 - Year 5*

## **Miracle Workers Kids Group**



*Email Tamika for more information and to sign up:*

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Waymakers is a discipleship group for teenagers where we connect with one another and learn about faith and the Bible while having games, snacks and loads of fun!

**Fridays: 7:00pm - 8:30pm**      **Year 6 - Year 11**

## **Waymakers** **Youth Group**

For more information contact:  
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