



Friday 7th May 2021 Spring Term Issue 29

NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance
at 99.2 % was

Year 1



The class with the best punctuality
last week and with 2 children late all
week was ...

Year 5 & 6

Art Home Project - "What I love about St John's Highbury Vale"

Using a range of different media, create piece of art which shows what it is you love about our school. Take time to really think about the unique and the ordinary things that we do at St John's.

2 pieces of artwork from each class will be displayed round the school.

The deadline is on Monday, 24th May 2021



French Day



On Monday, 5th July we will be having 'A day in France' at school. This will be for all children to enjoy, including EYFS and KS1. More information will be emailed closer to the time.

RSE Parent Meetings



From Monday 10th May, we are inviting parents to come into Maberley Hall, to view the RSE Curriculum resources that will be used in each year group.

Last day to book an appointment! Online booking platform is open till 10pm on Friday 7th May 2021.

<https://stjohnsburyvale.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Ducklings have hatched

Excitedly, Reception class have had 5 new additions to their class. Over night and throughout the day, all the ducklings have hatched. The children in Reception class got to witness this wonderful moment and will be naming them shortly.



Reception

Reception Class have had great fun reinforcing their learning of numbers and counting independently in our outdoor classroom.



Year 1

Year 1 have been focusing on practising their maths skills. They have specifically worked on making equal groups and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. They had rotational activities that focused around finding missing numbers in a sequence, making equal groups and making their own 2s, 5s and 10s charts.



Year 2

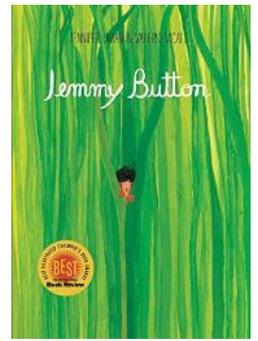
Our class text focuses on a little girl who wants to be a musician. We worked together to make our own musical instruments and then wrote instructions of how to make them.



Year 3

This week in English we have started a new book, 'Jemmy Button'. We have been making predictions and responding to all the beautiful illustrations in the book.

We have also been so well behaved during our first week of swimming, Miss H and Mrs O are so proud!



Year 4

Year 4 have been working extremely hard this week on group presentations about Hinduism. Well done!



Year 5

Over the last week in English, we've been working hard to develop our creative writing skills. We thought about how we change our voice to write in the style of another person, then attempted to finish writing the next chapter of our class text. There have been so many fabulous efforts, but this one really stood out for us this week when we came to read through the finished piece. Well done, Finlay!

Tuesday the 4th May 2021

To write a narrative that develops character and setting

Torak felt furious with himself. "Torak you idiot! he screamed the bear could be within half a day away!"

Whatever happened, he couldn't afford to stay here for even another night. He'd have to go through the night.

He set off at dusk with the wolf following him. He had grown to start liking this cub a bit. Suddenly, Torak heard the screech of a crow and quite far away some trees falling down. That must be the bear! he whispered to the cub. Torak broke into a run, the cub running behind him as fast as his little legs could take him. He was surprisingly just for a small cub. Torak suddenly realised the wolf cub was his guide! He had to protect it with all his might. He picked him up and ran faster.

Torak wondered as he ran, what actually is a demon bear? He hadn't actually seen it when it had killed ~~for~~. He had just seen a flash of brown that had pounced and clamped ~~for~~, then just blood spilling out of him. He didn't want to remind himself of that thought. Plus he couldn't afford to run into the bear again. Just to see it. He wouldn't come out alive. The wolf cub barked. Torak looked behind him....

"No...."
"It can't be..."
"Aah!!"

Check list:

- 1) Repetition of key phrases
- 2) Explore your character through their questions
- 3) Finish on a cliff-hanger
- 4) Short sentences?
- 5) Two or more viewpoints?



This is an incredible piece of writing - it's like Michelle Paver wrote this herself!



Year 6

Last week, Year 6 had a great time cooking with Judy. They made dishes from the Caribbean- spiced beef and veggie patties, coconut cake and Jamaica ginger cake. Yummy!

