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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/ Carers and Children,  
It is a pleasure to share all the wonderful learning that is taking place both at school and at home. I hope that you enjoy looking through the photos and reading the messages from the teachers as much as I did.  
Mrs Shaw, Head of School



## Year 4 Competition Winner!



A huge congratulations to Abigail for her hard work producing this masterpiece!

Abi's work has been chosen from thousands of entries to be displayed in the Royal Academy Young Artist Summer Show.

We are all extremely proud of this achievement. Congratulations, Abi!

Miss Davis and the rest of the St John's team

## Fond Farewells

Earlier this term we bid farewell to Jo 'Smiley' Riley who has been a teacher at St John's for 12 amazing years!

The children, past and current, produced an amazing book of memories for her, full of photos, quotes and funny stories. It was a real testament to how idolised she was. She will be missed and we wish her all the best for the future.

Harry Oulton, Chair of Governors



## Recent Events

There has been lots of wonderful learning taking place in all year groups both at home and at school.

### Reception Class

As part of their learning in maths, the children were asked to make repeating patterns, Adam chose to make a fruit kebab! I love the variety of fruit that he has used, not only does it look beautiful and vibrant, it is healthy and delicious too. The children were also asked to make a shop and Charlie chose to make a fruit and vegetable shop selling melons, lemons, cucumber, peppers, avocado and tomatoes, another healthy choice! Miss Jones



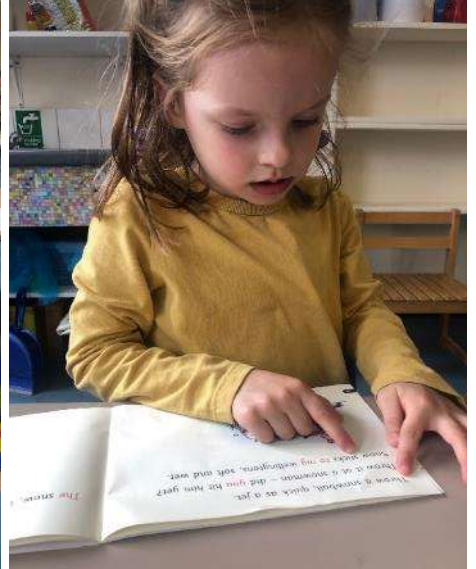
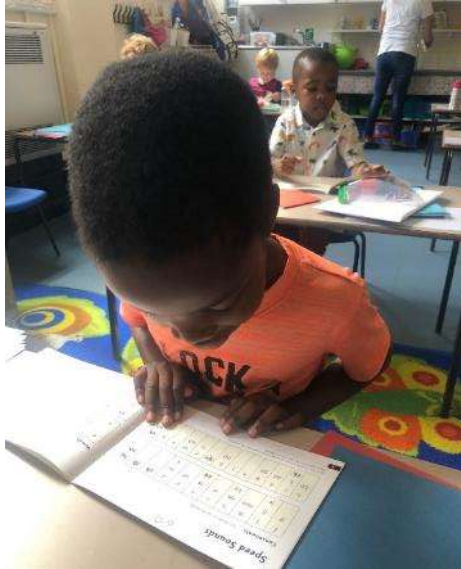
I have been so impressed with all the wonderful learning taking place. The children have been making and painting aliens and rockets and some children wrote a story too!

As well as their creative learning, the children have also been keeping up their reading and writing, I love the use of the fridge magnets to practise this week's letter sounds!



## Bubble Group 'Safari'

We work inside the Reception Classroom. The children have enjoyed sitting at their own socially distanced desks, they are proud of their workspace and they look after their own set of stationary and books. In the mornings the children practise their phonics skills and their reading. Miss Jones, Sadhia and Sasha

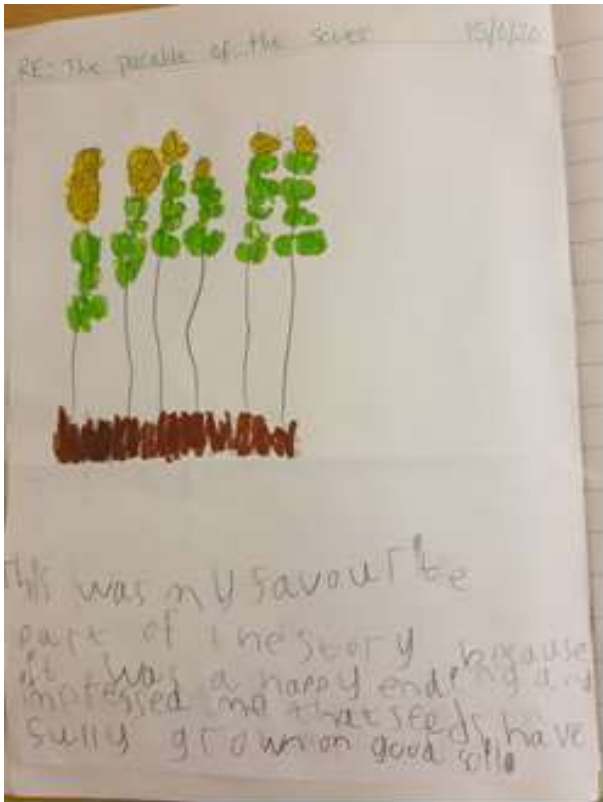


When we are in the outdoor classroom the children have been amazing at keeping themselves safe. The children wash their hands before and after being outside and they know the how many children are allowed in each area at any one time. Children work at some outdoor stations, for short periods of time, in groups of up to two. All the soft furnishings have been removed and all equipment is wiped down after each child has used it. They enjoy playing, working and learning together outside.

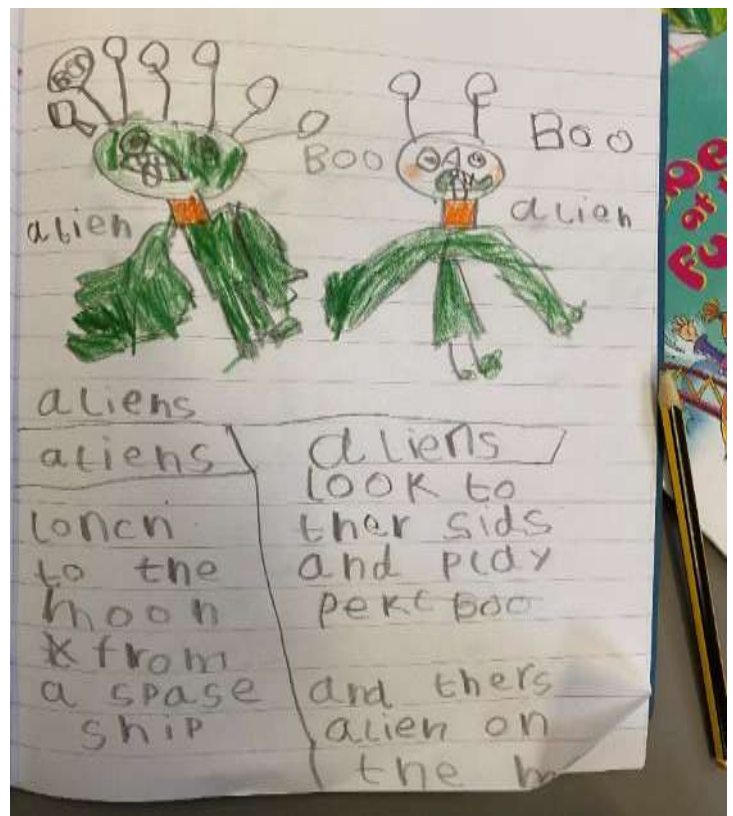


## Year 1

Year 1 have done a variety of different learning activities this week. They looked at the parable of the sower and were asked to respond to the parable in their own way. Here is Sebastian and Sophie's work.  
Mr C



The children have also been learning about Bob and his life as a man on the moon. They created their own aliens that Bob could meet on the moon! Here is Imogen and Ezikiel's work.



## Bubble Flash!

Bubble Flash: have been enjoying their time back at school. They like to start their mornings with some 'Just Dance' to get their bodies moving and ready for the day!

They have continued to work very hard each day during learning time. During wet break and after they have finished their work, they enjoyed colouring and creating a collage of all their pictures. Mr C, Molly, Sarah

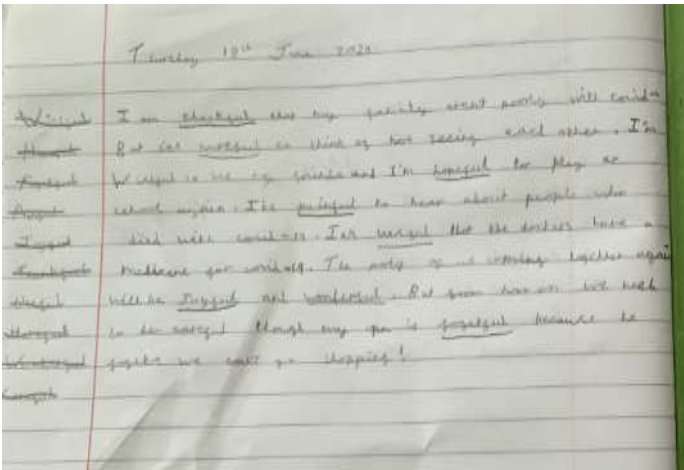


## Year 2

I have really enjoyed working with year 2 over these last few weeks. They have risen to each challenge and produced some fantastic work. Keep it up year 2. Miss Bullen

This week the children in year 2 were asked to use their spelling words in a story, take a look at Bea's spelling story (left).

As part of their literacy learning, year 2 wrote some rhyming poetry, Blake's poem (right) had four verses and he chose to use rhyming words on the first and second lines.



## Year 3

Year 3 have continued to work hard during this period. It has been lovely to see them all during our Google Class meetings each Friday. Last week I prepared a special quiz for the the class meetings and we had a lot of fun going through the answers! Can you guess which staff members match each baby photo?

This week we also looked at calligrams, the calligram below was created by Floyd. Miss Bullen.



## Team Go Bubble Group

This week Team Go have been designing and making our own rice-cake savoury planets which were inspired by a poem that Judy read us. The poem was also used as a hook inspire our own nonsense poems.  
Heddy and Judy



## Year 4

The children in Year 4 have been working hard on Google Classroom. They have turned in lots of work in maths, English, topic and even in ICT. Keep up all the excellent learning and hard work, Year 4! Miss Davis

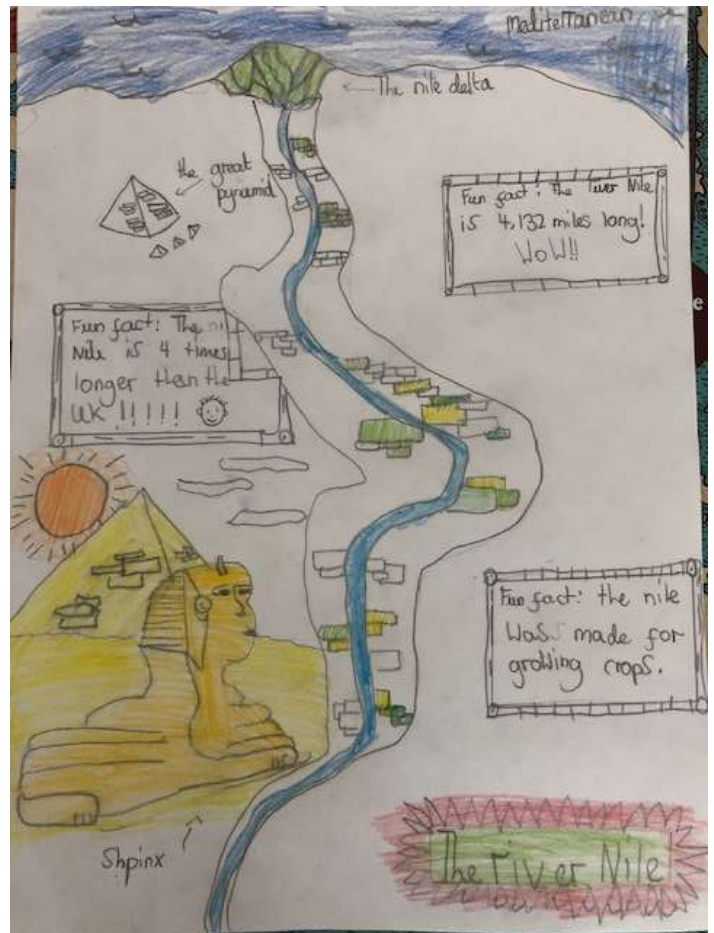
As part of Year 4's learning about Ancient Egypt, Guy has created a wonderful information poster all about the River Nile (right).

I particularly liked his incredible illustrations. Well done, Guy.

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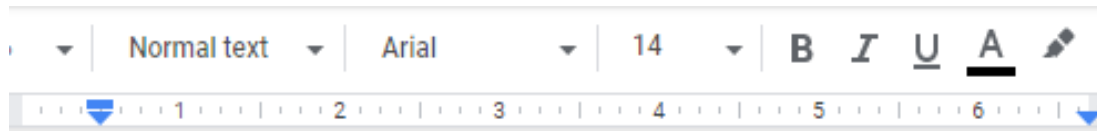


## Year 5

Year 5 have been grappling with some challenging learning during this period, their hard work has paid off and they are making progress with new learning. Mr Rudd

Year 5 have been working incredibly hard on their Epic Poems based on the novel we are studying, *Wolf Brother*. There have been some fantastic efforts from the whole of year 5, they are all enjoying their new class text.

Jackson's stood out to me for trying something new which resulted in him constructing an interesting poem. Well done, Jackson!



Renn had captured Torak and would help him escape the Raven Clan  
She also brang his weapons and the Wolf from the Raven Clan  
She tells him that she would help him even though she's from the Raven Clan  
Get to the mountain of the spirits with someone from the Raven Clan

The Wolf was scared of something or someone it might just be a tree  
And Torak and Renn found a scratch on the tree  
Bigger than Renn and Torak shoulders it was a ginormous tree  
Renn told Torak that he had to find the three strongest parts of the nanuak  
Under a tree  
When he fell in the water he found the first nanuak and tried to grab a tree  
But risked his life getting it the nanuak and thought he would drown Because  
he didn't get the tree

Torak fainted and luckily Renn and Wolf had grabbed Renn saved his life  
Him just before he drowned. Renn saved his life  
Torak thought he was blind Renn cured his eye  
But it was just blood in his eye Renn cured his eye  
Which stopped him from seeing for a bit. Renn cured his eye

Torak was better and wanted to go hunting  
But Renn said no he couldn't go hunting  
But Torak promised to go back after one kill Torak wanted to go hunting  
Torak didn't know Renn was very very good on the arrow when hunting  
And she caught an animal after a minute she was good at hunting  
So Torak had to go back to their camp after hunting  
To get some rest he must be tired after hunting  
When Renn came back they had a big feast she went for a long hunt

## School Mania Bubble Group

This week the children have been very busy working their way through their Google Classwork before having lots of fun getting creative each afternoon. At the end of the week we selected our favourite piece of work to share with each other. Mr Rudd and Saffron



This Bubble Group work in the Year 5 classroom. They quickly adapted to the new set up at school which includes socially distanced desks, allocated stationary and computers, social distancing on the playground and when lining up and, of course, washing their hands frequently at the sanitation stations that have been set up in every classroom and in the corridors.



## Year 6

Year 6 have been learning about sustainability. We have been looking at environmental issues such as pollution, over use of natural resources and climate change. We really enjoyed making posters to show how we can stop pollution. Miss Delal

