



Year 4 – Class Corner

Year 4 have had a fantastic and very busy week of learning!

We started the week by exploring Ancient Sumer, learning about the early civilisation and using our understanding to draw what cities and houses may have looked like at the time.

In Maths, the children have worked extremely hard using formal written methods to multiply 2- and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers and have also begun dividing 2- and 3-digit numbers. Everyone showed great resilience and confidence when tackling more challenging calculations.

In Writing, Year 4 completed some impressive independent letter writing inspired by *The Creakers* by Tom Fletcher. Writing in role as Lucy, the children wrote thoughtful and imaginative letters to her mum, explaining recent events and questioning where she had gone, while hinting at the mystery and strange behaviour of the Creaker creatures.

Our **highlight of the week was Art**, where the children had an amazing time creating clay sculptures inspired by artist Christine Mitzuk. They experimented with shape, texture and form, adapting their work as they went and showing fantastic creativity. In PE, we continued to develop our gymnastics skills by practising a range of jumps, focusing on control, balance and safe landings.

In Science, we explored **States of Matter** by investigating what happens when solids are heated. The children melted different types of chocolate, made predictions, observed the changes, and discussed why the chocolate changed state. It was incredibly difficult not to be tempted by the yummy chocolate!

We are really looking forward to the next jam-packed weeks ahead, where we will continue exploring **Ancient Sumerian clothing**, alongside even more exciting Science and Art learning!

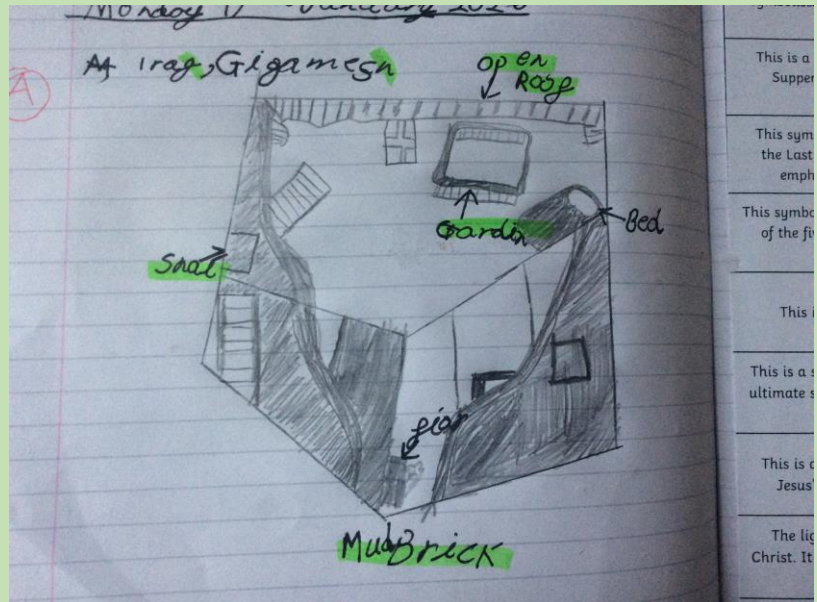
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Year 3 Trip – Leeds City Museum

Year 3 recently enjoyed an exciting and memorable trip to Leeds City Museum, where they ventured back in time to explore the fascinating world of the Ancient Egyptians.

During the visit, the children became archaeologists for the day, investigating artefacts and learning about daily life in Ancient Egypt. One of the highlights was a hands-on workshop where they discovered the process of mummification and even took part in a practical activity to 'mummify' their own model, helping them to understand the importance of this ritual and its role in Egyptian beliefs about the afterlife.

The pupils learned about canopic jars, the role of priests, and why preserving the body was so important to the Ancient Egyptians.

The children were also thrilled to see a real-life mummy, which brought their classroom learning to life and inspired many thoughtful questions and discussions. Exploring the museum galleries allowed them to make links to their history lessons and deepen their understanding of this ancient civilisation in a meaningful and memorable way.

Throughout the day, the children's behaviour was impeccable. They listened carefully, followed instructions, and showed excellent curiosity and respect towards the exhibits, staff, and members of the public. They were fantastic ambassadors for our school, and we are incredibly proud of how they conducted themselves. It was a truly enriching experience that will support and enhance their learning in history this term.

Miss Masoud
Year 3 Class Teacher



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Year 2 Trip – Tropical World

Year 2 had a wonderful time on their recent visit to Tropical World in Leeds, where the children enjoyed an exciting day of exploration, discovery and hands-on learning.

As soon as we arrived, the pupils were amazed by the vibrant plants, colourful fish and fascinating animals from around the world. Walking through the warm, humid environment made them feel as though they had stepped straight into a real rainforest! The children were particularly excited to spot butterflies, crocodiles and meerkats, and they asked lots of thoughtful questions as they explored.

A highlight of the visit was the rainforest workshop, where the children learned all about rainforest habitats, the plants and animals that live there, and why rainforests are so important to our planet. Through interactive activities and discussion, the pupils discovered how rainforests help the Earth and how we can all play a part in protecting them. They showed excellent listening skills and impressed the workshop leader with their enthusiasm and knowledge.

The visit supported our learning in geography and science and brought classroom topics to life in a memorable way. The children were a credit to the school, demonstrating curiosity, good behaviour and teamwork throughout the day.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this fantastic experience possible!



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Year 2 Trip – Tropical World





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READING

MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

If your child starts reading for **20 minutes** per night in **Reception...**

20 minutes a day equals...

By the end of **Year 6** they will have read for the equivalent of...

 **3,600 minutes** per school year

 **1,800,000 words** per year



BENEFITS OF READING!



★ Better Vocabulary ★



Improved Imagination



★ Greater Focus



Higher Achievement ★



• **READ EVERY DAY & SUCCEED!** •



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Celebration

Attendance Class of the Week – Year 4
Bertie Bear Class of the Week - Reception



Good Friend Award

Reception - Maeve

Year 1 - Lottie

Year 2 – Esmae

Year 3 – Emily

Year 4 – Emily

Year 5 – Albie

Year 6 - Mia



TT Rockstar Award

Year 3 – Rubi

Year 4 - Benas

Year 5 – Hallie

Year 6 - Lucas



Stars of the Week

Reception – Ravi

Year 1 - Arthur

Year 2 – Wilf

Year 3 – Oscar

Year 4 – Rowan

Year 5 – Mia

Year 6 – Miles

Bronze Award

Reception – Tully, Freya

Year 1 – Ralph

Year 2 – Lenny, Max,
Sonny

Year 3 – Emily, Oscar,
Zak

Year 4 – Rowan, Nate,
Oliver, Francesca, Alexa,
George

Year 6 – Lucy

Silver Award

Reception – Ruby P

Year 1 – William

Year 2 – Franky, Lexi

Year 3 – Scarlett, Hollie,
Max

Year 4 – Izzy

Year 5 – Freddie, Evelyn,
Ethan

Year 6 -

Gold Award

Reception - Henry

Year 1 – Harley

Year 3 – Isla, Gracie,
Sophie

Year 5 – Lilly-Mae, Stanley,
Darcie



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday 26 th January	Year 2 Forest School Begins
Wednesday 28 th January	KS1 Maths AIM High Day – Invite only
Thursday 29 th January	Y6 Heart Dissection Science Lesson
Friday 30 th January	Y6 Young Voices Trip
Monday 2 nd February	Humberside Fire to visit Y5
Wednesday 4 th February	Year 5/6 Man City Newcastle Match Trip
Thursday 12 th February	KS2 Dodgeball Event – More details to follow
Friday 13 th February	Get Ahead Games – In school event for all years
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	Half Term
Wednesday 25 th February	KS2 Ice Hockey Match Trip
Monday 2 nd March	School Nurse to visit Y5 – Gaming Talk
Tuesday 3 rd March	Virtual Author Visit – Michael Rosen
Monday 9 th March	Reception Trip to The Deep – More information to follow
Monday 9 th March	Y1 Forest School Begins
Tuesday 10 th March	Reception Vision and Hearing Tests
Monday 16 th March	School Nurse to visit Y5 – Healthy Eating Talk
Friday 27 th March	It's Catching – Get Ahead in school event for all years



Extra-Curricular Activities

Day	Time	Activity	Key Stage
Monday	3.30-4.30	Indoor Cricket	Rec & KS1
Tuesday	3.35-4.30	Badminton	KS2
Thursday	3.30-4.15	Dancing	Rec & KS1
Thursday	3.35-4.15	TT Rockstars	KS2
Thursday	3.35-4.15	SATs Club	Year 6

Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is 94.8%

Well done Year 4 for the highest attendance this week – 99.2%

We are aiming to reach **97%**.

Please ensure that all general doctor and dentist appointments are booked outside the school day unless they are an emergency.

Burton upon Stather Primary
Academy Parent Governor
Expression of Interest 2025

