



Anti-Bullying Week



As this week was Anti Bullying Week, the children of Year 6 used their Computing lesson to reflect on a type of bullying which has been on the rise in recent years, cyberbullying. Cyberbullying is bullying through the use of a piece of technology and specifically, a form of bullying which is usually online. To begin our discussions, the children

added their ideas to a Venn diagram which highlighted the similarities and differences between bullying and cyberbullying. Differences included cyberbullying not being physical, occurring all the time

(difficult to escape from it) and having a wider impact by going 'viral'



Similarities included both being harmful to peoples' feelings and mental health, both being repeated actions and both involving bullies who want power in some way over

another. The children were then provided with a scenario which incorporated some of these ideas. The girl in the scene was only allowed to invite 8 people to her birthday sleepover. The other people who weren't invited became jealous and set up a hate website about the girl. They encouraged people to not go to the sleepover and add mean



comments to the website. Year 6 had to make this scenario into a role play.

The results were outstanding and incredibly emotive! The children really got into character to act out powerful pieces of drama with a significant message. Mrs Platford was very impressed! Cyberbullying is not tolerated here at Bryony School. Year 6 and the other



children of the school are told during E-Safety lessons to ensure that they save any evidence of inappropriate behaviour, report, block and tell a trusted adult if they see or hear anything which would be classed as cyberbullying.

Well done to Year 6 for acting in a mature manner over an important subject! Mrs Platford



Coming up

Saturday 17th - Kent Cross Country Championships at Detling

Monday 19th - STEM Make Do Challenge Yrs 2 & 3 at Meresborough.

Monday 19th—Year 5 Youth Leaders Training

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd - National Road Safety Week

Thursday 22nd—Year 6 Swimming

You will remember that we held a cake sale in aid of MacMillan back in September. The final count banked was £233.81.

We are pleased to announce that we maintained our Level 5 Food Hygiene rating at our Junior site this week.



Thank you to Craig Harvey from the Howard school partnership for the Young Leaders Training to our Year 5 this week. The second part of the training is taking place next week.



Spread a Little Kindness - Years 2's Assembly this Week

As part of Anti-bullying week activities, the Infants



You should respect people. - Alfie



had an informative assembly demonstrating different scenarios showing the 'wrong and right way' of treating others with respect and kindness. They showed the infant children a sad situation including name calling,

not allowing others to play etc. and what would happen if we 'spread a little kindness'. All the children shared lovely ideas on how we can make others feel happy.



We shouldn't bully, but we should choose respect. - Debbie



Year 2 created colourful posters which are displayed in their corridor.

Bullying is not acceptable. - Caitlin

We like to have friends. - Maria



In our PSHE lesson, the children were given a post-it note to write a nice, positive note about their partner.

They read them



aloud to one another, said thank you and exchanged post it notes to stick in their books to keep.



'When Tyler read out my note, it made me feel happy' said Nozithelo.



We had to write a kind note about someone next to us. When I read my note I wanted to cry. I felt wonderful when Jude read his note out. - Jadesola

By Mrs Dyne

Jadesola did a poster for me. I felt kind, so I did one for her. - Jude



Children In Need 2018

For a donation of £1 to Children in Need Appeal, the children of Bryony School were able to wear their own clothes to school. As well as Tag day the children were encouraged to wear Pudsey accessories and also, to mark 'Anti Bullying Week', they all came to school in ODD socks.



The infants held an informative assembly and took part in fun activities during the day including 'Pennies for Pudsey'.



They used their pennies to cover a picture of Pudsey.



It was then time to 'Mummify Mrs Oliver'. The children had great fun wrapping toilet tissue around their teacher.



On top of this there was a Sponsored Mile. This is a 20 lap run around the infant playground (which equals 1 mile). The children brought home sponsorship forms for this event and we ask that they are returned with any money collected during next week. The children have had a lot of fun today as well as raised money for a very worthwhile charity. The sponsorship money is still being counted! We will let you know on Monday. Although the Juniors did not do sponsored activities today, they have raised over £800 for Sports for Schools over the last few weeks in their sponsored activities!

Thank you all for your hard work and generous donations to both worthy causes!

Gardening

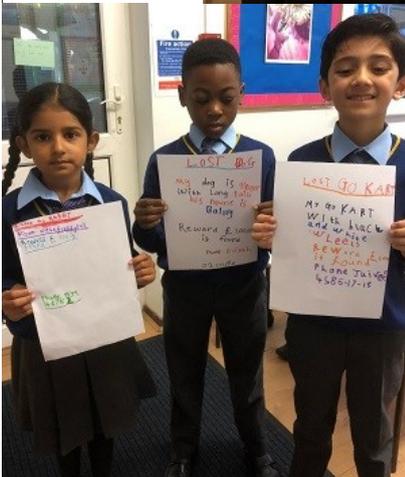
Some of the children in year 2 have carefully planted some new plants in the box garden at the infants.



Having Fun in Computer Lessons

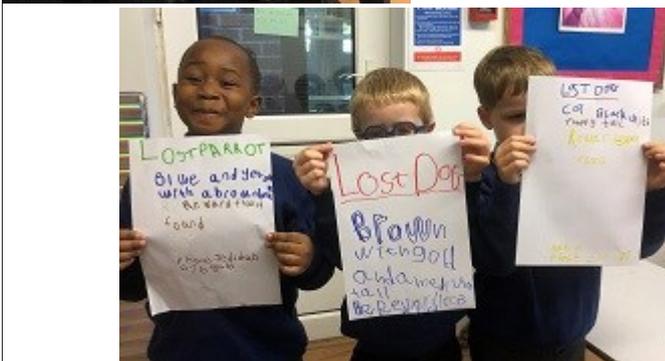
Year 1 have been learning how to use Word on the computer with Mrs Caller this term.

They have discovered how to change



font size and style, how to underline words, write in bold and italics and change their font colour. Last week they made a LOST POSTER in class.

This week they began to make the poster using the computer. Great work Year 1. By Mrs Caller



Science

Year 2 children had fun this week learning about whether various materials could bend, stretch, twist or



squash. Mrs Smith has a selection of items in the playground.

The children then were asked to find them and sort them into their appropriate group. Next week we will be learning about recycling.



Mrs Paice & Mrs Smith

STEM Make Do Challenge

Year 2 are really looking forward to a trip to the Junior site on Monday where they, along with Year 3, will be taking part in the Make Do STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) challenge. This is delivered by STEM Kent in collaboration with Medway Education Business Partnership.

The children will work in teams using simple, safe tools, including saws, nuts and bolts, screw drivers and hinges, to design and make creative cardboard constructions. The imaginative creations will be made from recycled cardboard (kindly donated by our parents) as well as reusable plastic kits. The workshop includes a presentation and discussion about technology and engineering.

It is fast and furious fun at the same time it's never too early to start considering future career options!

UK Parliament Week— Year 5 Political Debate

This term the children in year 5 have been studying persuasive writing in English. As part of their studies, they have been learning about the effect of plastic waste in the sea, especially how this has injured or killed wildlife.



Today, the children held a political style debate with one side representing the plastic industry and the other side representing the welfare of animals and sea life. All of the children spoke in support of their side of the debate and were very eloquent in their arguments, listening well to the opposition. It was a very well thought out debate and there are quite a few budding politicians in the year group, which could be quite useful considering the current political climate!

Well done year 5! **Mrs Ware**



(Next week, we will be writing to Michael Gove as the Minister for the environment.....)

Sports Crew Report

Here is the first report written by a member of our Newly appointed Sports Crew.....

On Friday 9th November, an extraordinary, once in a lifetime event happened, a **GB Invictus** competitor, **Darran Challis** (he let us call him Daz) came to our school to do some exercises with us. We did spotty dogs, leg dives, press ups, and star jumps.

Darran even showed us some of the exercises he has to do to help his leg muscles. **Oscar** said "it was a fun experience, it taught me a lot about sport and keeping fit."

Darran answered lots of our questions: **John** asked him about how he had become disabled. It happened because of a car crash. Him and his colleagues were in a jeep driving somewhere and they crashed. The jeep rolled over breaking Darran's legs, pelvis and part of the vertebrae in his back. Darran couldn't do some of the sports he enjoyed because of his injuries, so he took up cycling and swimming. The money we raise will go towards school sports equipment and to support the **Invictus Games** children.

By Mia, Year 6

(update—current count of sponsorship for Sports for Schools is over £800! Thank you everyone!)

Cross Country Team Good Luck

In preparation for the forthcoming **Kent Cross Country Championships** at Detling, children from the Cross Country club have been out at lunchtimes practising. We are fortunate in having purpose built cross country routes on our door step. **Good luck to all the runners on Saturday, 17th November.**

Mr Johnson

