



Aliens Landing at The Infants



There was much excitement at the Infant site this week when some strange loud noises were heard coming from the garden. The teachers and children went to investigate the commotion and found that an Alien space ship (U.F.O) had crash landed. It was feared that an Alien being had fell from the ship but by the time the children and teachers had arrived the alien had vanished but had left a bit of a mess....



The children were so excited they re told the story many times during the day and according to parents well into the evening.....



Coming up in Next Week

Monday 14th - Infants visit to PYO Pumpkins at Beluncl Farm

Tuesday 15th - MYG Hockey at Holcombe

Tuesday 15th - Year 3 & Year 4 visit to PYO Pumpkins at Beluncl Farm

Tuesday 15th - Reception Parents' Evening

Wednesday 16th - Year 5 & 6 visit to PYO Pumpkins at Beluncl Farm

Wednesday 16th - Pre-school Parents invited into school for activities at 11 a.m.

Wednesday 16th - Year 6 Fire Service CPR Training

Wednesday 16th - Medway Primary Schools Cross Country League at Thames View School

Wednesday 16th - Reception (cont'd), Year 1 & Year 2 Parents Evening

Thursday 17th - Year 5 Swimming

Monday 21st October -
Friday 1st November - Half Term Break

Thursday 31st October FoBs Halloween Party — Lordswood Sports and Social Club

Back to school -
Monday 4th November

Pre-school Space Week



Pre-school have been exploring space this week using a variety of materials to create and make space related items. During P.E the children took it in turns to fly the rocket... We made moon rocks from clay and tin foil. Mrs Reid made some Universe Play-Doh and the children loved the feel of it on their hands! The children were used Space dust to write in. At home the children made some wonderful space ships including one space shuttle and two rockets! **Mrs Reid & Mrs Robinson**



Year 1 Space Week Activity



This week year 1 have really enjoyed taking part in various space themed activities! The children brought in 'junk modelling' resources from home and spent an afternoon creating their own space-themed master pieces!

Honey "I made a space glitter ship. "



Rosie "I used black paint and got very messy! "

Amarjeet "I made a super jet rocket. "

The children followed up their spectacular creations by self - evaluating and discussing if their models went to plan. The children wrote down what went well and how they could improve their art pieces if they were to make them again.

Evaluation to follow next week

Mrs Farnes & Miss Hills

Reception Space Craft Morning



The children enjoyed a space craft morning. Activities included making UFO's to finding the aliens in the gloop.



Hughie made a lovely representation of a rocket in a space station.

Mrs Oliver & Mrs White



UFO & Missing Alien

The children in **Year 2** could not believe their eyes after witnessing the UFO crash scene on Wednesday morning. This week, we have been looking at the properties of a newspaper, so thought it would be a great idea to put our knowledge to use and write our own newspaper articles. Each class had a vote to choose what the name of their newspaper should be, then each child thought of their own headline and wrote about the events that unfold. **Mrs Dyne**

Naila - "There was a purse on the floor and a police tape that said DO NOT CROSS".

Jeevat - "There was a big bang when the UFO crashed".

Veer - "We voted and called our newspaper Bryony's First News".

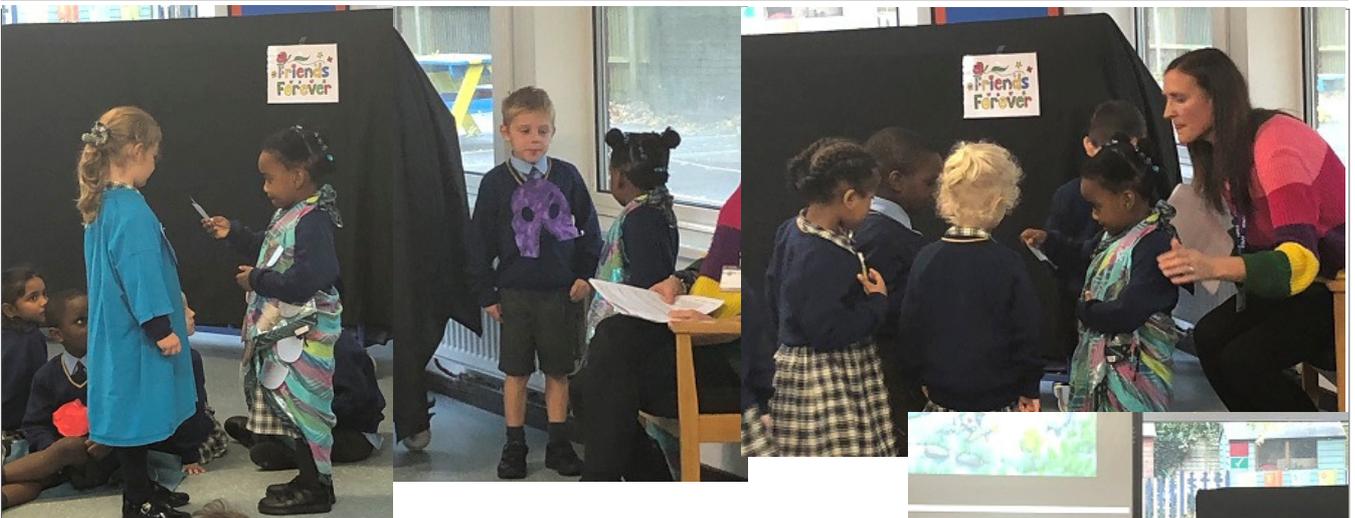
Elijah - "Mrs Notley was ringing the bell really loud, so we knew it was important".

Folashade - "The aliens left their space rocket in the corner of the

Aliskova - "We stuck a photo of what happened onto our newspaper".

Tom - "There was paint on the fence and chalk on the floor!"

Reception Assembly



The children acted out 'The Rainbow Fish' story. They learnt a 'friends' poem in sign language and showed this to the school. Mrs Gee was very impressed and said it was the best reception assembly she had ever seen!!!

Mrs Oliver and Mrs White



Healthy Eating

In reception this week the children have been promoting healthy eating.



The children tried different fruits and vegetables.



The children explained which fruit and vegetables they liked and those they disliked. **Mrs Oliver and Mrs White** are very proud of the children for taking part in the tasting exercise.

Gardening Club News

This term the members of the Junior Gardening club have been busy with various activities. They harvested a small crop of runner beans and courgettes.

The children cleared their summer bedding pots and replaced them with spring flowering bulbs of daffodils and tulips. While we wait for the bulbs to flower (February/March) some winter flowering pansies and violas have been planted to give some colour to the Junior School.



The pumpkin-growing was not as successful as hoped with only one pumpkin which did not grow fully but weighed in at 1.5kg.

Mr Johnson



HSSP Tri-Golf Festival



A team of year 3 and 4 girls and boys attended the first Howard School Sports Partnership event of the year. This was the



Tri Golf Festival. The children played some excellent golf—honing their skills of putting and chipping. They also supported each other well in each event. Many children from the Junior department can now look forward to January with the HSSP Sports Hall athletics event. In the meantime, the next Youth Games (MYG) events are Hockey and Basketball.

Mr Johnson

Medway Primary Schools Cross Country League

The first race in this year's Medway Schools Hockey League took place at Kingfisher School on Wednesday. Well done to all the runners who ran approximately 2km over a course which had its ups and downs.

A special well done must be given to Stanley of 6J who came 2nd overall in the boy's race.

As well as running individually, the children run as teams of boys and girls and as a combined team. Any number of children can enter - you just need a love of running - with the best four results from each school counting towards the team results. There are in total four races in the league with the second race taking place on Wednesday 16th October at Thamesview School, Rainham.

Please look out for the Parentmail about this event open to Years 5 and 6.

We are also looking forward to the **Kent Junior Schools Cross Country Championships** which will take place on Saturday 23rd November at Brands Hatch. This event is open to all children within years 3 to 6. A Parentmail concerning this event will be circulated before half term also with some news of some lunchtime running for those who want some practice.

Mr Johnson



Year 2 Science Experiment Results

Last week, Year 2 carried out an experiment to see what would happen to an apple if it was left in different conditions.

Here are the results:



Tom - The apples became brown because they had been cut and had let in air.

Naila - I put my apple in the cling film and it went brown a little bit.



Elijah - the uncut apple stayed the same.

Folashade - I left my apple in lemon juice. It turned brown. we should eat apples quickly so they don't go brown.

Veer - My apple in the water went mouldy and brown.

Mrs Paice, Mrs Dyne and Mrs Smith

Year 1 Learning Braille Assembly

This week Year 1 took part in our Braille assembly. All the children enjoyed creating tactile pictures and learning how to write their own names using the Braille code. Year 1 also enjoyed exploring and listening to *The Black Book of Colours* which is on display in our year 1 classroom.

Mrs Farnes, Miss Hills & Mrs Saroya



Fruity, Tasty Treats in Year 3

The Year 3 children are really enjoying their food technology learning journey! So far, the children have investigated different fruits, where they come from, whether they are grown in the UK or abroad, the meaning and purpose of food trade and this week, the children had fantastic lessons tasting new fruits chosen by them. These fruits included mango, pineapple, pomegranate, pineapple, coconut, different melons and blueberries.



It was lovely seeing the children so excited to try new fruits, as well as revisit ones that they have tried at home!

Some children commented on how they couldn't wait to get home to ask their parents to buy more of these fruits. What brilliant enthusiasm towards healthy eating!

The most popular fruits included pineapple and blueberries with coconut and pomegranate being the tastes that were just too unusual for some! Well done Year 3 for being so sensible in this tasting experience- we now look forward to you designing and making your own fruit skewers in the future weeks!



Mrs Platford

Young Voices

Choir rehearsals for Young Voices 2020 have begun in earnest on Fridays at lunchtimes for all those involved. Please continue to encourage your child to learn their song words. You can now access the Children's Music Room on the Young Voices website www.youngvoices.co.uk using the code YV2020. Within this section the children can access the lyrics and sing along with the videos. There is also the dance moves all explained for them.

Mr Johnson

Super Smoothies ...for Some!



The smoothies included sweet treats like strawberry, blackberry and raspberry, mango and pineapple as well as banana and coconut, but also more savoury style tastes like *Gorgeous Greens Fruit and Veg Smoothie* and the *Naked Green Machine* with apple, kale, pineapple, kiwi and botanical ingredients (to mention a few!).



What a delight! The children have now begun to take their favourite tastes and combine these to create their own smoothies- we look forward to seeing the final products! Well Done Year 6!

Mrs Platford & Mrs Rivers

As part of their food technology lessons, the Year 6 children have been learning about smoothies including the benefits of them, the different positive nutrients we can gain from food and drink and the variety of ingredients included in smoothies, linking with food trade knowledge. During their learning journey, the children tasted a range of different smoothies to inform their knowledge so that they can design and make their own .



As the children evaluated each smoothie, it was hard to tell who enjoyed the learning the most... the children tasting the smoothies or the teachers who loved seeing the faces of children experiencing new, unusual tastes and smells! As always, the behaviour amongst the children was impeccable taking sensible approaches to trying new tastes.



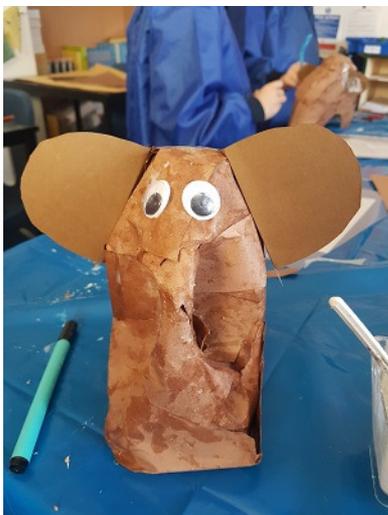
Woolly Mammoth



Year 3 have been exploring instructions using the book 'How to wash a woolly mammoth.'



To help them recognise imperative verbs, time adverbials and general instruction structure, they read and followed instructions to make a model woolly mammoth!



They discovered some of the instructions were not detailed enough and needed more diagrams! Next week they will be rewriting them in better detail.



Mrs Rivers

Thank You

Mrs Saroya, who volunteers to help this charity provide meals for the homeless, brought in this certificate thanking everyone for their harvest donations last week.



Football Star

Well done to Harry in Year 4. He picked up a trophy at the weekend for Medway Town U9 Player of the month.....



Open Morning

We ran a successful open morning at the Infant site on Friday. Our knowledgeable Year 6 pupils showed prospective new parents around the school. The teachers enthusiastically demonstrated what the new parents could expect from the early years and KS1. We are pleased to say a number of new children will be starting our pre-school in January and Reception next September. Thank you to our Junior children for your help and professionalism with our visitors.

5 Star Food Hygiene Rating

After a visit from the Food Standards Agency this week we are very happy to be maintaining our 5 Star food hygiene rating. Well done to our kitchen team.



McMillan

Mrs Dyne took charge of the annual coffee morning this year and introduced our first ever on site event where parents, grandparents and friends were able to join us for coffee, cake and a chat.

The morning was a great success raising over £201 of which, due to the parents attending, we were able to claim gift aid. The remaining cakes were sold after school and another £55 was added to the total. Year 5 sold the cakes at the juniors adding even more to the total.

Well done everyone on another successful event.

Thank you to Mrs Dyne for organising.

