



May 2023

Dear parents and carers,

How lovely it is that the sun is shining more recently, I think we all needed a break from the rain!

Year 6 SATs

Please join me in congratulating our Year Six children for doing their absolute best in their tests. I am so proud of how hard they have worked and their enthusiasm to learn, it won't be long before they are off to pastures new and I know they will all be ready for new experiences and adventures.

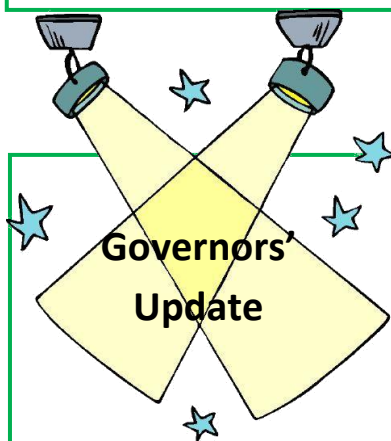
Volunteer speakers for children

We are looking for parents or ex-pupils who are willing to come and speak to the children about their jobs, careers and experience since leaving school. I am really keen that the children have a wide view of their opportunities beyond school and university as this can be very motivating and helps them to aim high. If you or someone you know would like to do this please contact me.

Remember to like our Facebook page and follow Mayespark on Instagram so you can see the celebrations of children's work when we post them.

Thank you

Ms Davies



Governors work to provide strategic direction to the school, ensure accountability and act as a critical friend. Termly we review different aspects of the school and ensure children are safe, happy, accepted and challenged. Most recently we have reviewed the strategic plan for the school and some key priorities identified were:

1. To deliver the highest possible standard of education for all our students through continual school improvement and ensure pupils are 'future ready'
2. To continue and extend the systematic capturing of stakeholder views and community information and to ensure this information informs school improvement planning.
3. Secure financial sustainability and increase income generation opportunities. Strategically manage the school's finances over the short and medium-term.
4. Work towards a diversity/inclusion award to further improve provision and ensure it reflects the needs of the school community.

The full document will be published on the school's website shortly. In addition to the strategic plan, we have reviewed annual finances and planning for the next academic year, scrutinised assessment data and carried out meetings to understand the context of this data. In order to collect stakeholder views, so far this year, we have conducted a parent survey, met with the school council and later in the term will be sending out a survey to staff in order to collate feedback. This feedback helps inform future planning and gives us the opportunity to get an insight in to the views of our school community.



KING CHARLES III'S



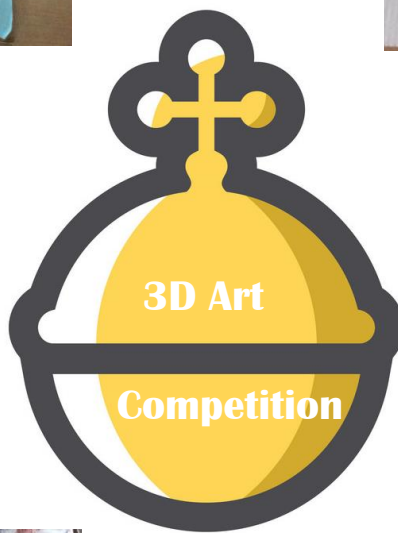
What a wonderful day we had celebrating the King's Coronation. Staff and children were invited to dress up in royal clothes or colours to represent the Union Jack. Throughout the day, celebrations were in full swing. The children learned about the life of King Charles and what a coronation is. In the afternoon, classes had their very own tea parties and participated in a whole school coronation parade!



CORONATION



Also to celebrate, the children were invited to take part in a 3D art competition. We received so many wonderful entries, some of which are below. Congratulations to **Ibrahim in class Kerr** who was the overall winner.





READING AT MAYESPARK

At Mayespark, reading is a priority! We love asking our children to review books and actively encourage them to develop favourite authors and genres. Below are some of our latest book reviews:

Title: Matilda

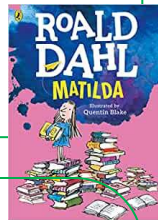
Author: Roald Dahl

Plot: A little girl born with powers which saves her multiple times. She goes into her headteacher's home and haunts it. In the end she gets adopted by her teacher and lives a happy life.

Favourite part: Matilda went to the Headteacher's house but escaped.

Rating: ★★★★★

By Fayha and Zara, class Kalam



Title: Boot it!

Author: A.M. Daddu

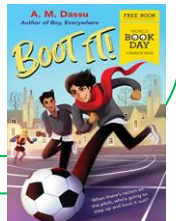
Plot: A Syrian refugee named Sami comes to Manchester. A boy called Nathan is racist towards Sami and his friends, Ali and Elijah, and tries to get them off the football team. Nathan says all sorts of nasty things to provoke them. At first, when the boys tell, they are told it is just banter.

Favourite part: The boys eventually get Nathan kicked off the team and the Syrian refugee, Sami, gets to be captain of the football team.

Rating: I recommend this book as it is very deep and proves that it can be hard to live with racism. I cannot stop reading it!

★★★★★

By Zain, class Hadid



Title: Tom Gates – Everything Amazing

Author: Liz Pichon

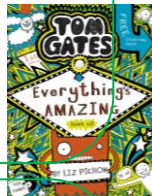
Plot: Tom returns to school. His friend enters his dog into a competition and wins and the boys enjoy the school disco.

Favourite part: When the secret words on a boy's t-shirt are revealed.

Rating: It's entertaining, catchy and funny.

★★★★★

By Hisham, class Kalam



Title: Diary of a Wimpy Kid – The Meltdown

Author: Jeff Kinney

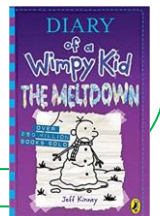
Plot: It's about a boy named Gregory who creates a lot of trouble, sometimes he gets away with it!

Favourite part: The snow war between the Lower Surrey Street and the Upper Surrey Street.

Rating: I think this book is suitable for children over 8 yrs old.

★★★★☆

By Binyamin, class Hadid



Title: Edward Tulane

Author: Kate DiCamillo

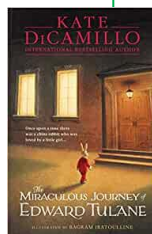
Plot: There was a rabbit who was well loved but he became separated from his owner.

Favourite part: It's very dramatic when Abilene headbutts a boy!

Rating: I recommend this book because it has great vocabulary and stirs your emotions.

★★★★☆

By Yaqoob, class Aderin



Title: Oliver Twist

Author: Charles Dickens

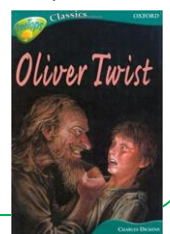
Plot: Twist's struggle with life begins from the very moment he's born and this continues as he grows up in the glum workhouse. He is soon thrown into a life of crime as he tries to escape the men after his life.

Favourite part: The scene where Bill Sykes is arrested for murder.

Rating: This book is for children 10+ years old due to its old-fashioned language.

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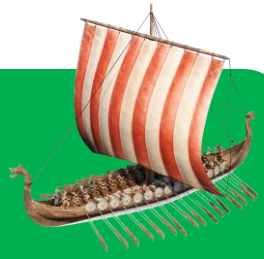
By Tazeeb, class Thunberg



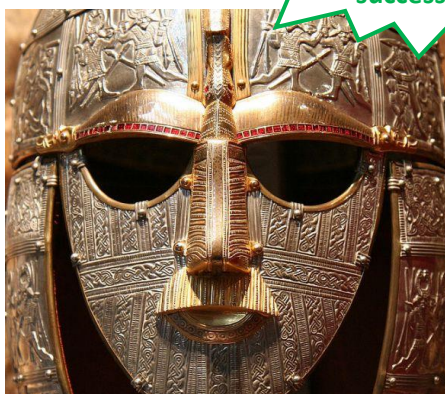


YEAR 5 VIKING WORKSHOP

Our Year 5 children have been studying Beowulf in English and also learning about why the Vikings invaded Anglo-Saxon Britain. To support their learning, last week they welcomed the Freshwater Theatre Company, who explored the concepts of settlement and culture through re-enacting the dramatic legend of the warrior Beowulf!



Why was the Viking's invasion so successful?



Why did the Vikings invade Anglo-Saxon Britain?





DIARY DATES

Below are dates for the coming months, please note that calendar dates are often added and can be amended. We therefore ask that all parents download MySchoolApp, where our most recent school calendar can be accessed throughout the year.



May 2023	
25 th	Class Boyce & Monet to visit Goodmayes Library
26 th	Class Ofili to visit Goodmayes Library
26 th	Children break up for half term

June 2023	
5 th	Children return to school
5 th – 8 th	Year 3 & 4 Redbridge Bikeability session
7 th	Reception visit Clacton
7 th	PGL Parents' Meeting for Yr 4
8 th	Yr 3 visit Docklands Museum
9 th –10 th	Friends of Mayespark camping
13 th	Visit from Sports for Champions
13 th	Sharman class assembly
14 th	Stay & Play for Reception '23
15 th	Yr 4 climbing wall
16 th	New Nursery and Reception intake meetings
20 th	Aderin class assembly
21 st	Stay & Play for Reception '23
22 nd	Yr 4 Earthquakes & Volcanos Workshop
22 nd	Yr 1 visit to London
27 th	Goodall class assembly
28 th	Yr 6 team building workshop
28 th	Stay & Play for Reception '23
29 th	Yr 3 - 6 French Day
30 th	Yr 2 visit Goodmayes Baptist Church

July 2023	
3 rd	Yr 6 visit to Southend
3 rd	Yr 3 & 4 Sports Day
4 th	Yr 5 & 6 Sports Day
4 th	Goodall class assembly
5 th	Yr 1 & 2 Sports Day
5 th	Summer Fayre
6 th	Rocksteady concert 10am
7 th	Nursery, Reception & Arch Sports Day
11 th	Parents' Evening
13 th	Internet Safety workshops and parents' meeting (3:30pm)
14 th	Yr 6 BBQ
17 th	Yr 6 Performance (evening)
18 th	Yr 6 Performance (afternoon and evening)
20 th	Last day of term

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Camping

Friday 9th – Saturday 10th June

Children in Year 4 can now book a place for March 2024!

PGL
KIDS' ADVENTURE CAMPS

SUMMER FAYRE

Wednesday 5th July

BBQ
candy floss
splash-a-teacher
food stalls
crafts
hook-a-duck
raffle
games
face painting
and lots more....

Tickets for bouncy castles will be on sale in the back playground before and after school from **Monday 12th June**

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed a new attendance officer. Her name is Claire Oshinaike.

Second-Hand Uniform Sale

Friday 26th May 3:15pm (weather dependent)