



Autumn 2 2019

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Newletter

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are delighted to share with you all the fantastic things that have happened this half-term. Please do read through and take a look at the photographs of all the events that have taken place.

PTA

This term has seen the start of the new Woodlands Friends- our Parent and Teacher Association (PTA). We currently have a few core members who have attended coffee mornings, but every parent at Woodlands is automatically a member of Woodlands Friends. Look out for details of upcoming events in the Woodlands Bulletin.

The PTA were involved in the planning and running of our International Evening this year. Thank you to all parents who contributed. In total we raised £323 for the school, which was spent on 10 Amazon Fire tablets. These will be used by our Year 4 pupils as they prepare for and become the first year group at Woodlands to undergo the national Multiplication test in June 2020.

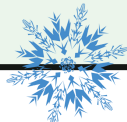
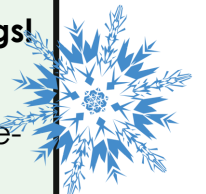
Mince pies and hot chocolate were available before our Early Years and Key Stage 1 Christmas production this year, served by members of the PTA. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the event.

Our PTA have also supported the school in sharing the donations from the London Broncos, John & Liz Keyes in partnership with His Church. They helped us to pack and organise all the amazing donations, which were handed out to every family on Tuesday 17th December.

The next meeting of the PTA will be held on Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 9:00am. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available. We will be discussing the upcoming Disco event and beginning to plan the Summer Fair. We look forward to seeing many more parents at upcoming meetings!

Thank you for all your continued support. We would like to wish those that are celebrating a very merry Christmas & all of our families a happy & safe new year! We look forward to all the wonderful learning and partnerships that are coming up in 2020!

Please note, pupils are required to come back to school on Tuesday 7th January 2020



NURSERY

Road Safety Week

During Road Safety Week we learned how to cross the road safely and practised using our own road!



Science Experiment

Oh no our paintbrush is frozen! How can we get it out of the ice? The children tried salt and warm water to see which melted the ice the quickest.



Diwali

To celebrate Diwali, we made Diva lamps and Mehndi hand patterns, listened to Indian music and made up our own dances. We then enjoyed tasting delicious Indian food.



Remembrance Day

We made a wreath as a team to remember people who have died in the war. We also painted our own fields of poppies.



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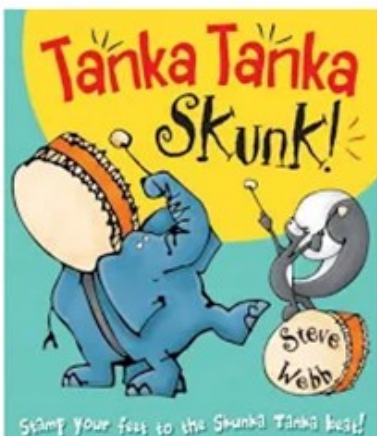
Maths

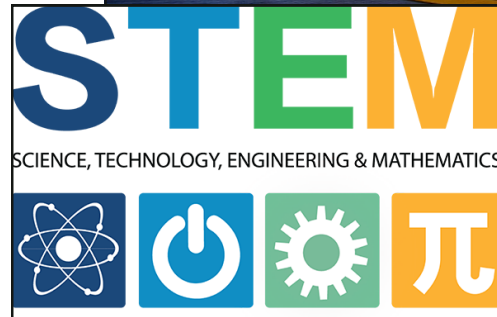
We have been making repeating patterns, learning to count to 10 and recognise some of our numbers.



Literacy

We have been reading Tanka Tanka Skunk and learning to copy the beat. We can clap the beats in our names and the names of different animals.





Thank you to Rhiannon from the London Air Ambulance for the fantastic assembly and workshops how they say so many lives today. We are very proud of all members of the London Air Ambulance—you guys do an amazing job!

The aim of the day was not only to share what the London Ambulance do, but to also get young people to consider STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) careers. This is what some of our children had to say about the day:

"It was very cool. I discovered how fast the helicopter is actually capable of going. I was surprised by how many people actually fit in the helicopter!" - Ellis, Year 6.

"It was really fun, we got to wear the helmets that the doctors wear in the air ambulance and we learnt that the doctors go to the patients and give them blood if they have lost a lot of it. When I grow up I would like to do this job." - Yusuf, Year 3.

The London Air Ambulance are a charity who rely on public donations so please do support them so that they are able to continue to help those in need, You can visit their website here:

www.londonsairambulance.org.uk



Doctor Ted & Bronco Buck with the Helivan which looks like the inside of an air ambulance!



Thank you!

to the...
London Broncos



Thank you to the **London Broncos & John & Liz Keyes** who worked in partnership with 'His Church' to ensure all of our families were given a bag of food for Christmas.

Thank you to Mr Savage for organising all the food & to all our staff for ensuring the event ran smoothly!



Woodlands
Academy

This Christmas donation
is brought to you by the
wonderful,

LONDON BRONCOS &
JOHN & LIZ KEYES.

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RECEPTION



We have been learning about Cinderella, Cinderella and how we can help them to have a magical Christmas ball. The children enjoyed dressing up as Cinderella/ cinderella before she went to the ball. They are all very excited to dress as prince and princesses for our Christmas ball.



RAGS TO RICHES



RECEPTION



This term we have been learning out numbers and matching quantities to the correct number. We have also been learning how to sort objects in different ways.



During PE we have been learning different ball skills. They have all been practising ball control and passing the ball.

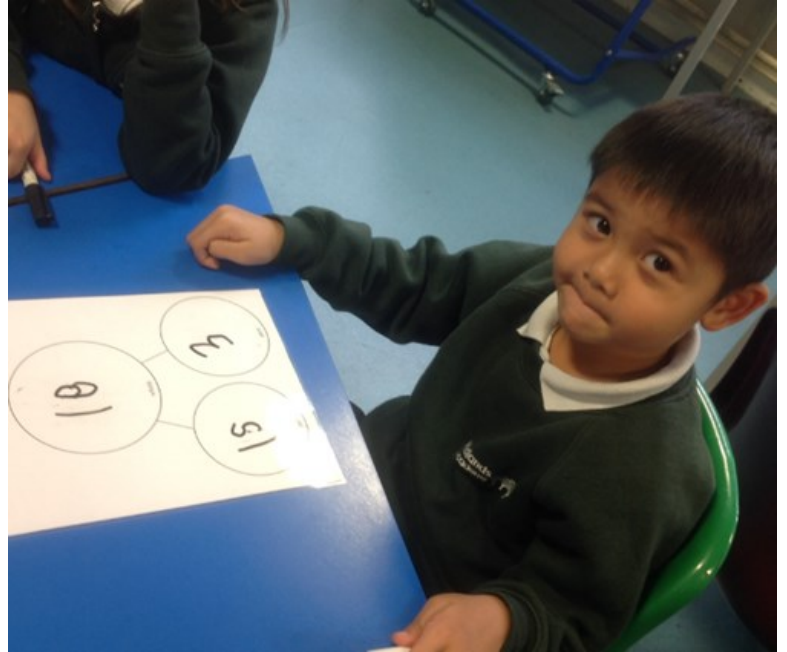
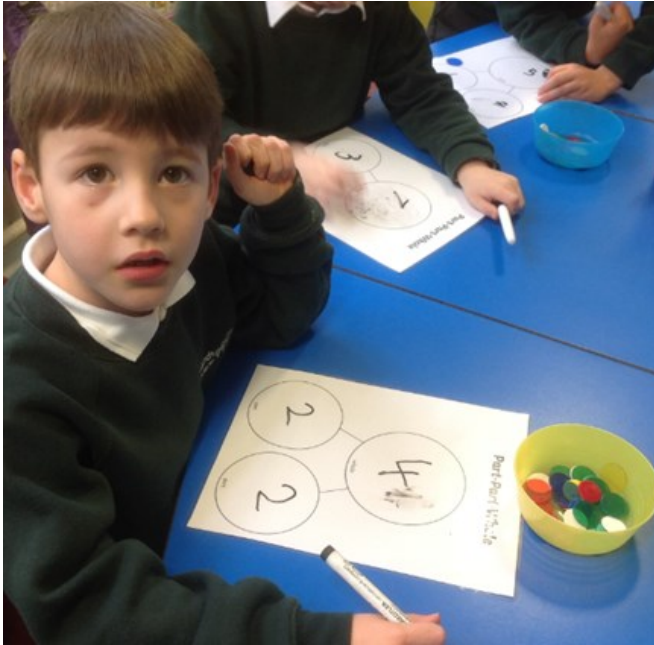


This term we have been learning about road safety and how we should cross roads safely. the children have enjoyed putting into practise what they have learnt in our very own road in the playground.

YEAR 1

Maths Masterminds

In Maths, we have been learning about addition and subtraction. I was particularly impressed with the children's enthusiasm using part-whole model.



Democracy at its best

In PSHE, year 1 have learning g about the importance of voting. We used some these simple statements to get the pupils to s expressing their opinions by voting for the favourite snack.



YEAR 1

NEWBORN



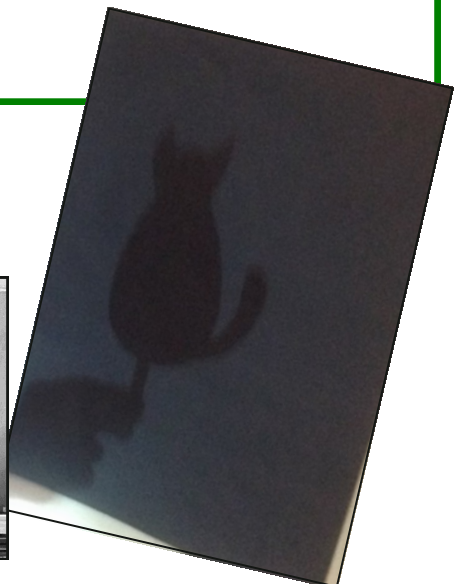
Future meteorologists

In Science, We have been learning about seasonal changes and have made our own rain gauges to record rainfall



Shadow fun

The children have made shadow puppets using black card and used torches as the sun to try and make their puppet's shadows longer and shorter.



MUSIC

at Woodlands...



It's been a busy musical term at Woodlands! As well as their music lessons and singing assemblies, children have been involved in lots of music making outside of the classroom.

Year 5 have had their first term of learning the saxophone with a specialist teacher from Ealing Music Service. It's been fantastic to see the progress the children have made and Mr Jones and Ms Kanval have been learning too. We have also been impressed with many of the children who have practiced at home – it really shows!

We had our first 'House Music Festival' back in November – this was an opportunity for a variety of musicians to show something to the school. We had some brilliant performances from our Choir, Saxophones, Recorders, Singers and Piano players.

Our Choir have been busy performing at various events over the festive period. They took part in a carol concert at St Barnabus Church with a number of other schools from Ealing and have also recently performed at St David's Care Home, helping to spread the Christmas cheer.

In the coming weeks, we will also be having our Christmas production which EYFS and



MUSIC

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**Well
Done**



A fantastic Winter Concert with the Choir, solo performances, piano, saxophone, recorders & special teacher performance!

**To Mao in Year 2
for playing the piano
to all our pupils
in assembly!**



Our amazing EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Christmas production. Well done to all our children! Thank you parents & teachers for supporting. Hope everyone enjoyed the hot chocolate & mince pies!



A very big thank you to Mr Jones for making all these music events happen!

**Thank You
So Much!**

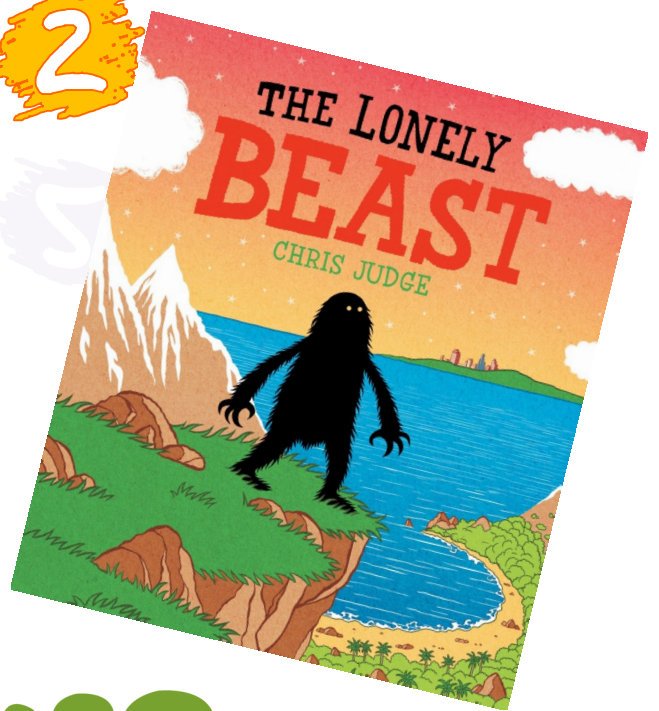
A very big thank you our PTA members for organising hot choc & mince pies & helping out!

Y E A R 2

In Year 2, we have been reading 'the Lonely Beast' by Chris Judge.

We have:

- Made predictions
- Written a story
- Written a diary entry
- Role Play



L.Q: Can I participate in role play about what I have read?



We also linked 'The Lonely Beast' to our Science learning about 'Habitats'.

We thought about how the beast would need to adapt to survive in different habitats.

L.Q: Can I explain why animals are in certain habitats?



A habitat provides animals with 3 important things:

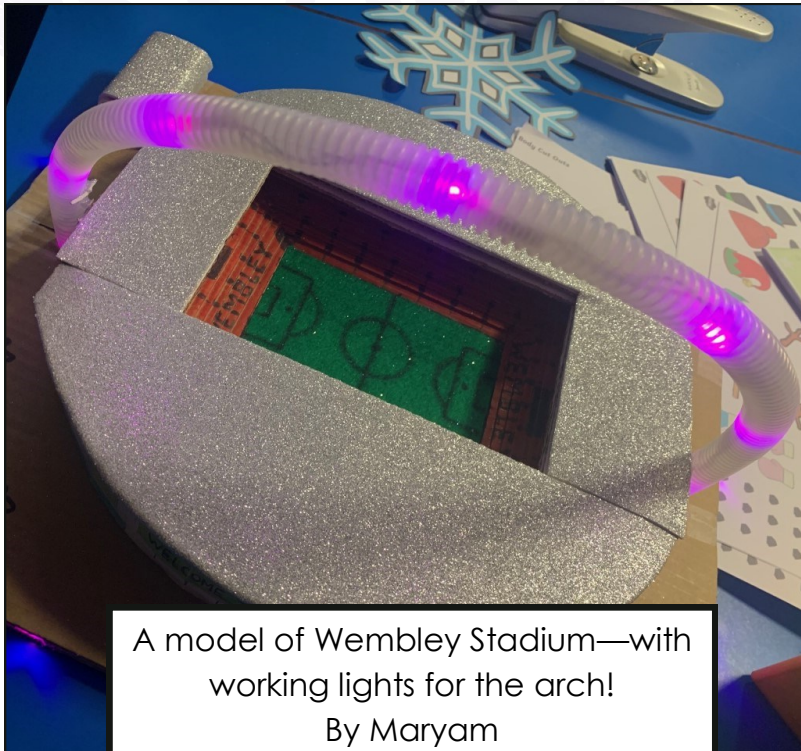
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3. he well ~~don't~~ have food and water

What would it be like if the polar bear wandered into the woods, where the Lonely Beast lives?

If the polar bears goes to the woods they will die because it ~~don't~~ have food and water

By Anisa in Year 2.

Y E A R 2

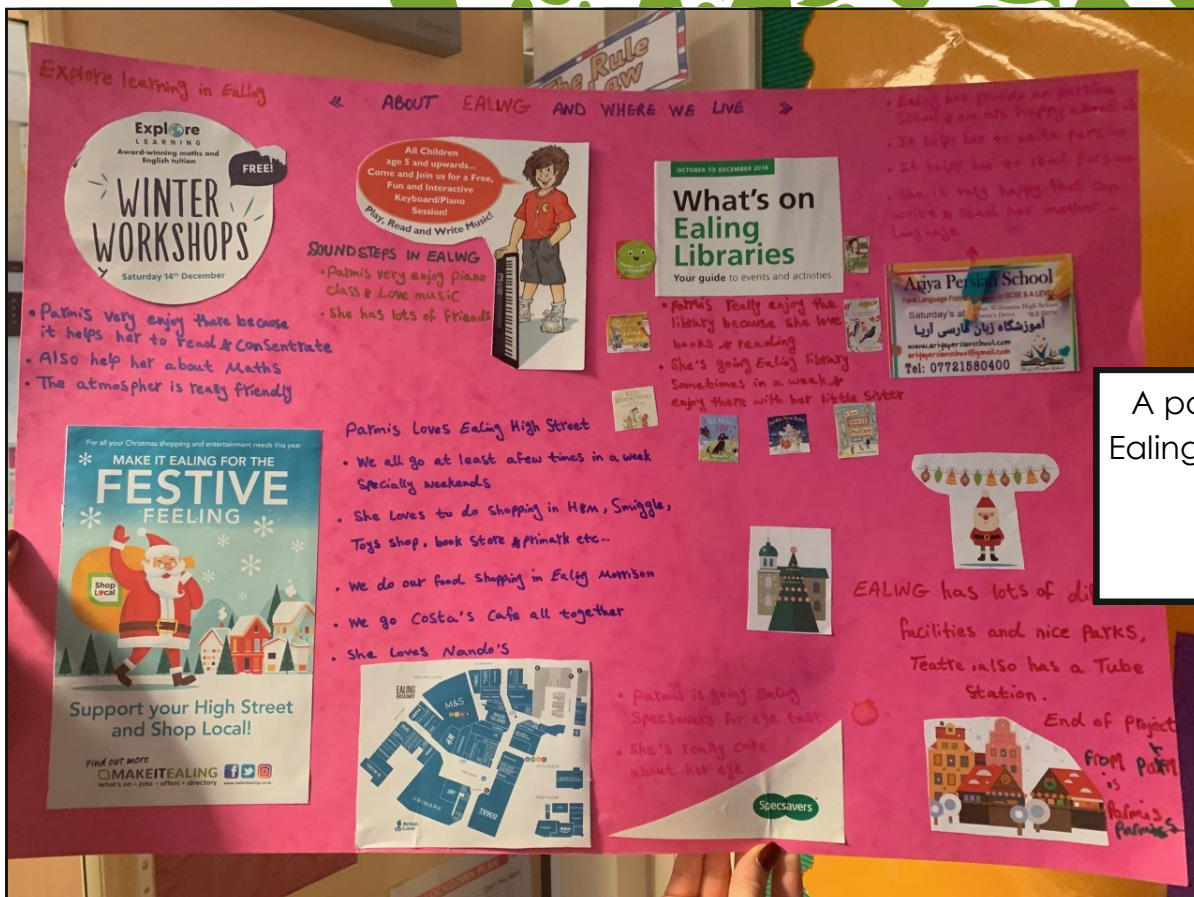


A model of Wembley Stadium—with working lights for the arch!
By Maryam



Model of Ealing Broadway—It even has it's own cinema screen! by Valerio.

In Geography we are learning about the local area. We made models of buildings in Ealing Broadway for our homework projects. Have a look at how wonderful they are!



A poster all about Ealing & what's on in town.
By Parmis.

YEAR 3

Year 3 visited The Natural History Museum as part of our Science topic on 'Rocks'. We had a talk from a lady in role as Mary Anning. She told us about her life as a palaeontologist- a fossil hunter. We helped her to classify fossils and we had lots of questions for her because in literacy our current text is 'Stone Girl, Bone Girl- the life of Mary Anning'. We also took a class photo with one of Mary Anning's greatest fossil find in the



N NATURAL
HISTORY
MUSEUM



Next, we went to the volcano and earthquake gallery in the red zone, which linked to our geography topic 'What makes the Earth angry?'. We went inside a shop and experienced what an earthquake would feel and look like when the shop started shaking. For our angry earth day, we will be doing a science experiment to see how to make our volcanoes that we made in DT erupt using bicarbonate soda and vinegar!



YEAR 3 continued...

On 12th December, we visited the Hindu temple called the Mandir. We learnt about how Hindus worship and looked at some of the features inside the temple. This linked to our RE learning on Hinduism. We enjoy learning about other religions because we are showing tolerance and respect for other people's beliefs.



Y E A R 4

In RE we have been learning about Christian beliefs and practice. As part of this we visited St Stephens church in Ealing. We were met by 3 priests, Steve, Sam and Carol. They explained different items around the church and why they are important to Christians. We got to light the Advent wreath and try on their special clothes.



In English, we have been reading the book 'One plastic bag'. It is about how everyone can do their bit to help the environment and how we can recycle plastic bags. For our DT projects we had a go at weaving with plastic bags to create mats or purses, just like the women in our book. We had to make a loom out of card and string, then cut the bags into strips we could weave with.



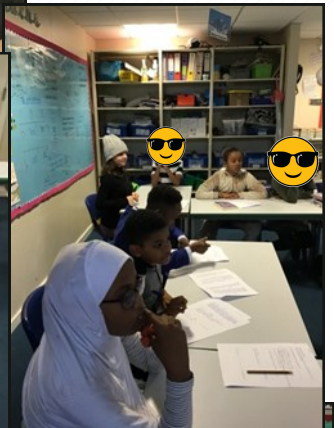
YEARS



Hannukah Assembly –
10.12.19



Mock Trial & Sharing Session –
16.12.19

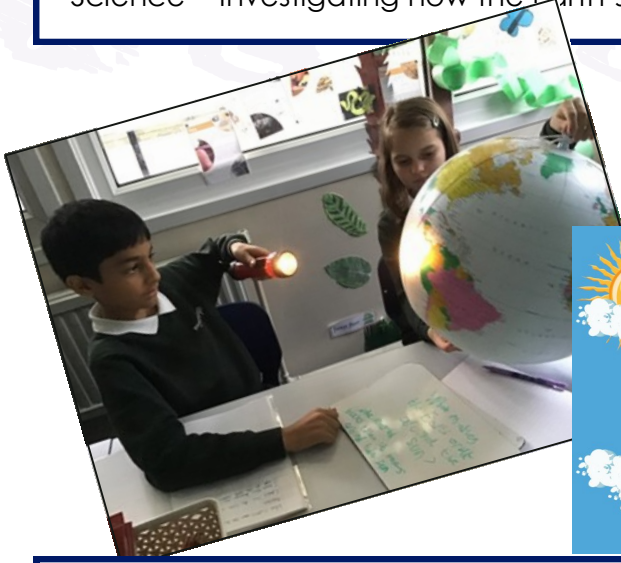


Geography WOW Day – VR
Headsets in the Rainforest
30.10.19



YEARS continued...

Science - Investigating how the Earth's movement creates day and night



Synagogue Visit - Ealing Liberal Synagogue 18.11.19



YEARS continued...

Discover Maths and Music @the Royal Albert Hall - 21.11.19



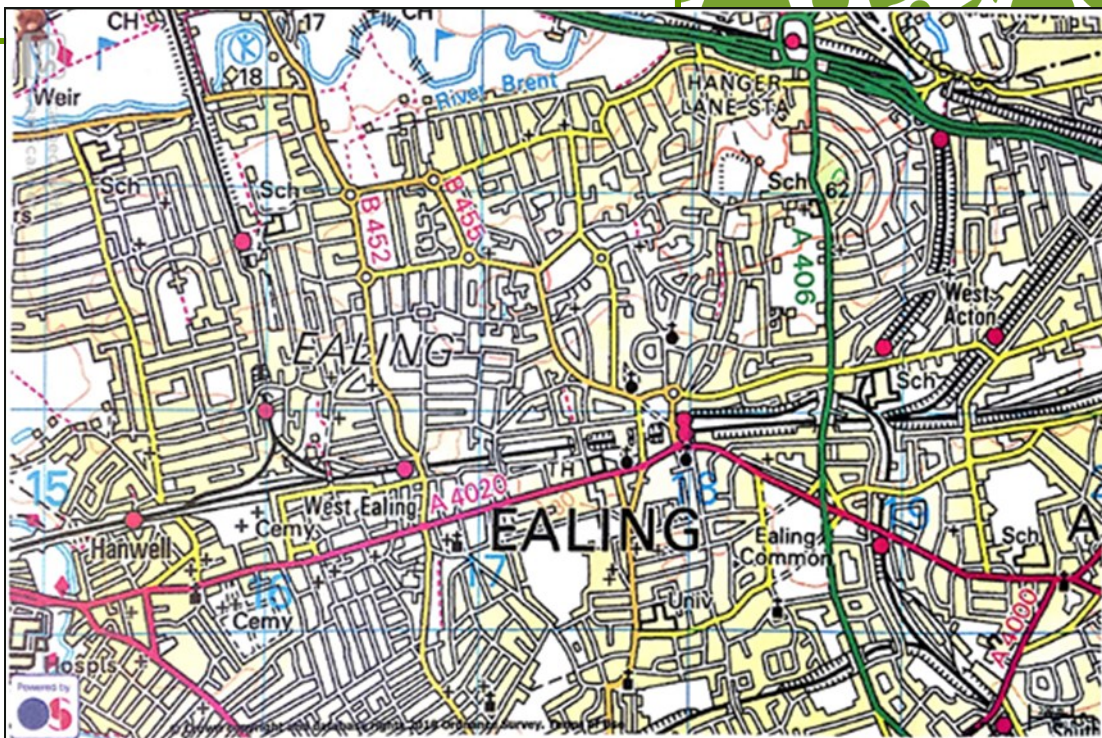
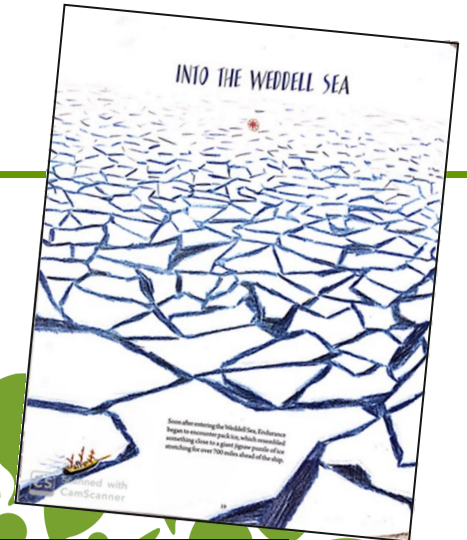
Friendship Friday 15.11.19



Y E A R 6

This term we have been learning about Ernest Shackleton's amazing journey to the Antarctic. Each child was assigned one of the members of Shackleton's crew to write and act as throughout the term. We used role play to try to imagine what it must have been like to survive against such incredible odds.

In Geography we have been learning to navigate. We have learned how to read OS maps and how to accurately read a 6 figure grid reference. We have been focussing on the local area. Can you spot our school?



In Science, we have been learning all about evolution. We have learned how environment and inheritance are the key drivers of evolution and what changes are caused by each. We can confidently assess how an animal (including humans) has changed over time and can estimate what has caused these changes.



ENGLISH

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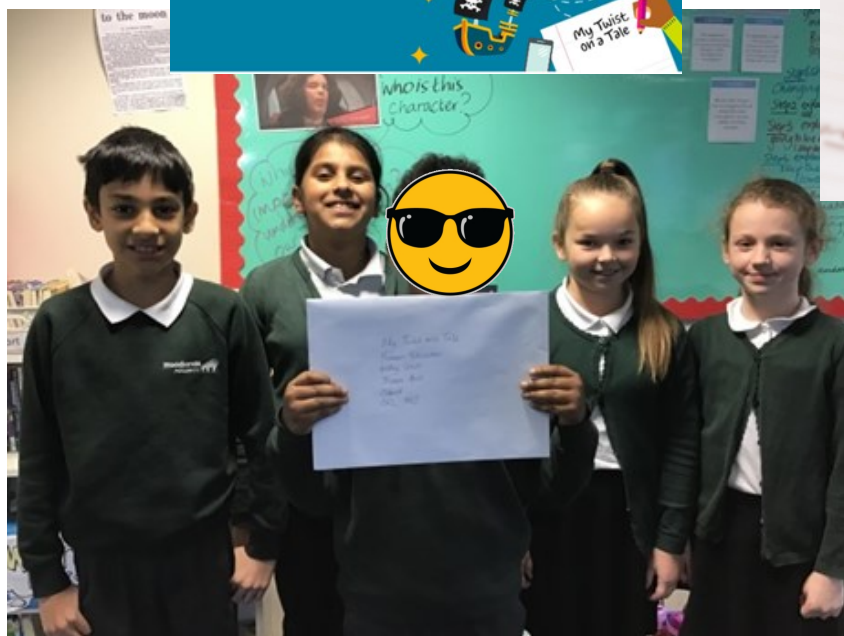


Congratulations to Woodlands' first Rainbow Writers - 13.12.19

Rainbow Writers are chosen by their teachers for the structure and content of their writing. Their achievements are celebrated during the Celebration Assembly at the end of the half term where they are awarded a certificate. The Rainbow Writers' names are placed on our Writing Rainbow and their work is displayed. In Autumn 2 writing was selected from English. In Spring 1 it will be chosen from Science.

Improving Writers are also recognised by their teachers. Their names can be found just below the rainbow. Congratulations to Simrleen in Year 4 who is our first Improving Writer.

My Twist on a Tale



My Twist on a Tale - Writing Competition entered by 6 Year 5 writers (plus Ambereen)

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Eamonn Reilly - Author Visit 18.11.19

