

P5/6 CLASS NEWS



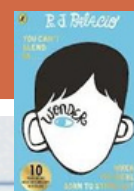
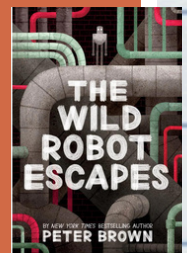
LITERACY

In Literacy this term we are further developing our note-taking skills, writing in a report format and using persuasive language. Tying in with this we are working on our debating skills and the current topic is 'This House believes junk food should be banned'. We are very good at thinking up reasons AGAINST this (as you can no doubt imagine) but need to work a bit more on identifying reasons FOR and arguing these with the same level of passion!

We are continuing to do a lot of self-assessment and peer assessment on our written work and this is helping us to identify areas where we need to improve going forward.

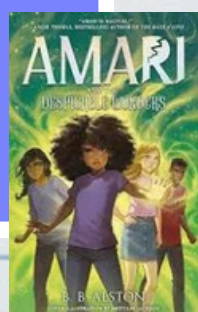
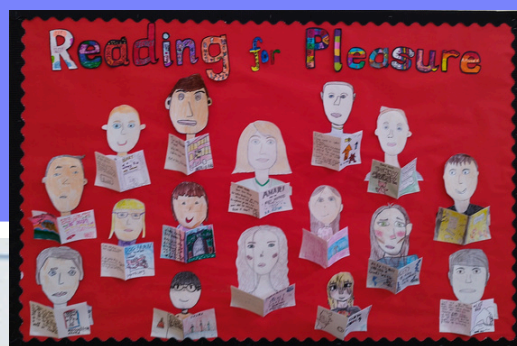
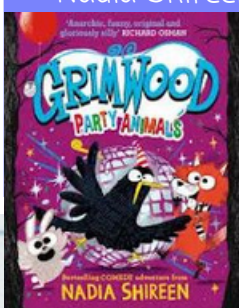
Last term we voted 'When the sky falls' as our class novel, tying in with our World War 2 topic. It was very different from our previous class novels as it was quite serious and at times very emotional. We have now completed it and it got 10/10 ratings from almost all the pupils at the end.

Our final class novel is the sequel to 'The Wild Robot' which the pupils were all keen to finish the year off with. Groups continue to work on reading their chapter books. 'The Last Bear' continues to be a favourite, and the groups reading 'The Night Bus Hero' and 'Wonder' are enjoying them so far.



READING FOR PLEASURE

We are continuing to work hard at promoting a 'Reading for Pleasure' culture in our school. We enjoy reading a wide variety of books and using the Libby app to access e-books and audiobooks. We are currently awaiting new books in the 'Amari' series by BB Alston, the Lottie Brooks series by 'Katie Kirby and the 'Grimwood' series by Nadia Shireen.

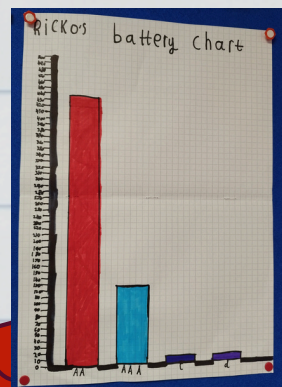
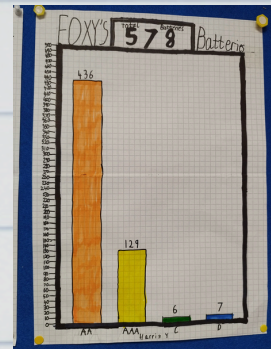


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MATHS

In Maths last term we covered Volume, Time and Information Handling. This term we are focusing on Weight and Co-ordinates with Mrs Connelly and Fractions, Percentages and Decimals with Mrs Gibson. We will be getting involved in some fun activities related to these in the weeks ahead!

Throughout the session we do a lot of information handling, generally with votes and bar graphs. You can see some examples of these for our battery recycling mini-topic.



WORLD WAR 2

We are continuing with our World War 2 topic and have covered a number of different aspects of it to date. Firstly, we found out about evacuees and their experiences. We decided which items we would have taken in our little case, created our name labels for round our necks and wrote a letter home to our parents about their experiences.

We have also learned about the Blitz and where people took shelter. Most of us preferred the idea of an Anderson shelter to a Morrison shelter and we created our own in class which you'll be able to see in the video. Our class book gave us a good insight into the lives of people during the Blitz period.

We will now be working independently or with a partner to research an aspect of the war of our own choosing.



MUSIC

Since returning this term the children have been working hard with Mrs Coleman on the ukulele and with Miss Nelson on a variety of instruments including boomwhackers, glockenspiels and pBuzzes. They are thoroughly enjoying the lessons and are performing the songs they are working on really well.

We are going to host a mini-music morning on Thursday 20th June with Miss Nelson where the children will showcase their skills across these instruments, and let you hear their wonderful singing too. Stick the date in your diary!



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REMINDERS

Outdoor Learning Days: Wed 22nd May; Wed 5th June & Wed 26th June

School closed: Friday 24th & Monday 27th May

Maidens Tournament: 29th May

Sports Day: Friday 31st May

Beach Clean: Friday 7th June

World Ocean Day: Monday 10th June

Bump-up days: Tues 11th June (am); Wed 12th June (pm)

Dolphin House Day for P6: Wednesday 19th June

Mini music morning: Thursday 20th June

Booknic: Monday 24th June (2pm)

Leavers' Assembly: Wednesday 26th June

Farm Park Trip: Thursday 27th June

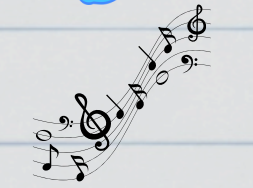
Last school day before summer: Friday 28th June

After-school clubs:

Mondays: Multi-sports (Active Schools)

Tuesdays: Reading for Pleasure. (Mrs A Gibson)

Thursdays: Choir (Mrs Grant)



PE



Please remember to have PE kit, including gym shoes in school for lessons on Wednesdays and Fridays. Gym kit and shoes can be left in class throughout the year, taken home for the occasional wash. 😊

On Wednesdays we are fortunate to have representatives from Carrick Rugby Club running a 5 week session with our class and we are loving it so far. We even managed to do it outside due to the recent good weather. Long may that continue! Please put sun-cream on your child on hot days.



Want to see what we've been up to in class?

[Click Term 4 video](#)