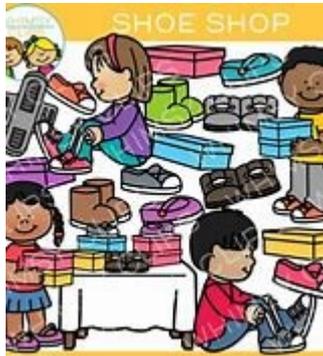




SUTTON PARK PRIMARY RSA ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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Nursery - This week in Nursery we have been using our Shoe Shop role-play area. We have been pretending to be different roles in the shoe shop; the customer coming or the shoe shop helper. We have had lots of fun measuring each other's feet and buying new shoes!

"I was working on the laptop. I have 1 customer, Willow" – Alice

"I bought some brand-new shoes" – Beau

In our Phonics sessions we have been listening to different animal sounds and trying to identify which animal it is as well as singing nursery rhymes using out loud and quiet voices.

"Phonics. Singing loud voices and quiet voices" – Sonny

Together, we read the book 'The Girl, The Bear and the Magic Shoes'. We talked about the book and the characters that were in it. We also talked about what might happen at the end of the story.

"The bear chased the girl. He liked to get the shoe back to her. I thought he gonna eat the shoes!"

Amara

During our PE session we moved our bodies in different ways around the Nursery Garden. We used hoops and pretended they were our space ships. We then had to look carefully to see where we were going to move around safely and not bump into other people's spaceships.

"Being in space shapes. Didn't get anyone bump into somebody" Sonny



Reception - so far this year we have been getting to know each other and our slightly different school rules. All of the children have settled extremely well, and we are really proud of how they have taken to being at school every day. Our attendance has been fantastic!

'Supertato' and Evil Pea's antics have been a real hit and the children have drawn pictures and enjoyed imaginative play with the characters. We are learning our letter sounds daily and even blending sounds together to make words. Fred the Frog (our phonics friend) can't believe how well we are doing! Here is what some of the children have to say about being in Reception:

"I like the blocks."

"I enjoy playing in the shop."

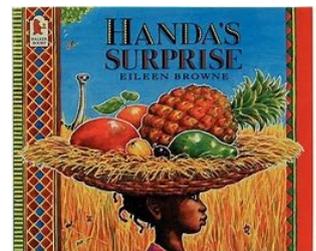
"I like playing in the water tray."

"I like drawing."

"I like playing with friends and animals."

"I love painting."

Year 1 have been learning how to 'tie-dye' material. We have experimented with three different techniques of how to tie the material and then we added colours to watch the transformation. Next, we designed our own motifs to cut from the tie-dye material and glued them onto an orange square to add to our whole school project. We have begun learning about our bodies and our 5 senses during our topic sessions. It was lots of fun exploring the taste of some of the fruits from Handa's basket. Retelling the story of Handa's Surprise using masks was lots of fun too!!



Year 2 - we have been thinking about the meaning of 'belonging.' In showing that we belong to the family of Sutton Park, we designed a motif to symbolise ourselves. We learnt how to sew our motifs to create a whole-school wall hanging, which will be displayed in the hall. One of the skills we developed throughout this project, is resilience. We are now beginning our Autumn Term topic: Our Wonderful World. Through the topic, we will be investigating the question: Why can't a meerkat live in Antarctica? We have developed a class action plan and we are currently working through each action. To begin with, we revised the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world. We have identified hot and cold areas and have learnt about different climates. We are beginning to understand how the location of hot and cold countries affects different animals that live there.



Year 3 have been learning how to weave. We used lots of different materials to weave with to make our final piece. It was tricky but we persevered. We have also set ourselves a skipping challenge. In science we have been investigating 'light'. Can you see in the dark? We put a small hole into a cardboard box to find out if we could see the objects inside. Then we put more holes into the top of the box and used to torch to look for the objects.

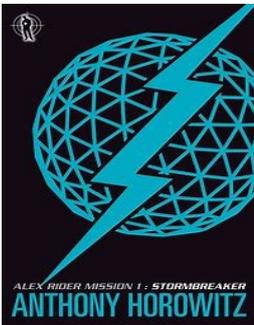
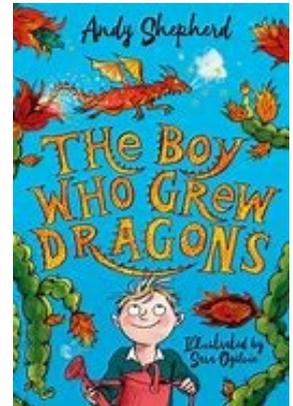
Year 4 - Are you a dragon expert? If so, report to Year 4!

On CCTV, in the middle of the night, a ginormous dragon showed up on the school site! Mr Dallaway sent the video to Miss Duignan. Why did it come here? We have now formed 'The Society for the Protection of Dragons' and are going to become experts to find out more about them!

Our class book is called 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd. So far, we are enjoying it and it is quite funny.

In Art, we have sketched dragon eyes. All of them are amazing and we have persevered and practised skills of slab, coil, pinch and score with clay to use when creating our clay dragon eyes. As a class, we have done cross stitch sewing for our belonging project. It was really hard but we persevered and they are all amazing.

Written by Amelia M, Tyler J, Lacey W



Year 5 - we are learning about spies. We have also done our sewing project and they have all turned out pretty good. We learnt how to stuff our sewing and that is quite impressive! Our class has now completed our diary as Alex Rider from the book 'Stormbreaker' by Anthony Horowitz. The only way we have learnt about Alex Rider is because we have read the first chapter of our book. We have really enjoyed the book so far and are excited to find out what happens when we read more! Every Wednesday we also do French or RE and the class likes French a bit better because you can tell by their faces. At the moment, we are learning the names of items around our classroom, our favourite item so far is 'la poubelle' which means the bin! By Jamie H

Year 6 - we have learned about so much already and everyone has really enjoyed our lessons. When we came back, we started looking at sewing a symbol that represents ourselves. Most of use found this topic great while others found it harder.

In English, we have been learning about a fantastic book called 'The Wizard, The Ugly and The Book of Shame'. This book showed us it does not matter about appearances and you should never judge a book by its cover. We all agreed that Chancery (the Ugly) was misunderstood and helpful.

In Maths, we have been learning about common factors and multiples and how you find them. We have also paid attention to prime numbers and long division.

In Science we have been studying about how exercise effects your brain. We all found this really fun and all loved doing the bleep test - even though everyone was exhausted after! One of the first Science lessons this year was the seven life processes or 'MRS NERG'. MRS NERG stands for Movement Respiration, Sensitivity, Nutrition, Excretion, Reproduction and Growth.

In Computing, we are looking at video games from the past and what attracted people to playing them. This has been really interesting, and we are looking forward to designing and making our own game set in the Victorian period soon. By Maisie S and Ella W.



Language Unit have had a super start to the term. We have been thinking about 'belonging' and celebrating our similarities, differences and uniqueness.

Our speech and language targets are a key focus throughout all our learning. We have been enjoying sketching and painting in Art and created individual motifs which will be used as part of the whole school D.T. project - 'Belonging'.

Assemblies

We were hoping to run class assemblies this term but unfortunately due to the recent change in Government guidelines we are unable to. We were then going to record the assemblies and share them with you online. Unfortunately, due to on-going IT issues we cannot do this at present. Therefore, we will be putting photographs on the website on the class pages instead as and when we have activities to share with you.

Parents' Evenings

Towards the end of this half term we would usually be holding Parents' Evenings. This year we will be sending a written report instead which will come out the week after half term. Following the report if there is anything further you wish to discuss with the class teacher then a telephone appointment can be made. Details of how to do this will come with the written report.



Reminder - our school photographer have recommended that as many orders are made online. Please ensure you order photographs by Thursday 8th October and your order will be delivered to school free of charge. Tempest will be returning to school during the afternoon of Thursday 8th October if your child was absent when they came in September.



All children in Reception and Years 1-6 have been given a 'Nasal Flu Immunisation Consent Form' this week.

We have only been provided with enough forms for the number of children in our school and do not have spare copies.

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the Nasal Flu Immunisation, the form must still be completed and returned to school. If your child has recently had the Nasal Flu Immunisation, you **STILL** need to complete and return the form. The Immunisation Team will be in school on Wednesday 4th November and we need the forms to be returned by Monday 19th October.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 22nd October 2020	Break for half term
Friday 23rd October 2020	TED day - school closed to pupils
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October 2020	Half term
Monday 2nd November 2020	Return to school
Wednesday 4th November 2020	Nasal flu sprays (Reception - Year 6)
Friday 18th December 2020	Break for Christmas holidays
Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th January 2021	TED days - school closed to pupils
Wednesday 6th January 2021	Return to school