



NEWSLETTER: Friday 10th February 2023



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Friday 20th January
2022



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF
SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well.

We are now at the end of a very successful and action-packed half term - officially, half way through the academic year 2022-2023.

Pupils continue to have very positive attitudes to learning at Lansdowne and have been working hard in their lessons so they make good progress and achieve their targets.

In addition to having a significant focus on pupils' progress and attainment, we have continued to provide numerous opportunities to develop pupil's personal development, some of which include:

- Taking on leaders roles and responsibilities [ie: Science ambassadors, Class librarians, Eco-warriors, etc]
- Opportunities to be involved in democratic votes [ie: Charities we support, endangered animals we have adopted, after school clubs pupils would like on offer]
- Opportunities to be involved in GLC events, such as: Reward evenings, dance shows, poetry competitions, athletics, etc.
- Raising money and understanding the importance of various charities [ie: Children in Need, Red Nose Day, etc.]
- Assemblies which mark and celebrate a wide range of cultural and religious events, so that we can identify and celebrate our differences and show respect to everyone

Congratulation to our pupils in year 5 and 6 who have recently submitted their assignments as part of the Brilliant Club Scholars Programme: <https://thebrilliantclub.org/the-scholars-programme/> All of our pupils have done extremely well, having achieved a first class honors or a 2:1 certification. These pupils will be attending Oxford University for their graduation event after half term - photos to follow!



Kai E	Alfie B	Thomas R	George D	Rizen L
Elizabeth O	Gabriela D	Hrisi B	Archie B	Trixie N
Tayyibah H	Temilola A			

Attendance: A reminder that 'It's not OKAY to be away'. Please ensure your child attends school everyday, on-time - this will help them achieve their potential and to thrive. Please note that starting after half-term, it is our school policy to inform you of your child's % attendance and the number of days absence they have had since the start of this academic year, whenever you report them absent.

Reading: After safeguarding and well-being, we believe the next best thing you can do to support your child is to support them with their phonics and reading. This includes reading to your child and them reading to you or independently. We often find that pupils who are not fluent readers find accessing the curriculum difficult. As a guide pupils in the following year groups should be reading everyday [including weekends] as follows:

- Year 1 and 2: At-least 10 minutes reading to an adult
- Year 3 and 4: At-least 15 minutes reading
- Year 5 and 6: At-least 20 minutes reading



Please remember to also read to your child as much as possible, whatever their age - it's really important.

Our thoughts go to those affected by the recent Turkish/Syrian earthquake - we hope those with friends and family in Turkey and Syria are safe. If you are in a position to make a donation to support this cause, here is the link: <https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>



This week we marked 'Safer Internet Day' - More information can be found here: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023>

As ever, we are here to support you in any way we can - please do not hesitate to contact us using our support email address: Support4U-LPA@theglc.org.uk.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a fantastic half term break.

Kind regards

Dan George

Head of School





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Please see important information regarding Streptococcal infections from public health:
<https://www.elycollege.com/attachments/download.asp?file=3624&type=pdf>

Please note that this is for information only.

Thank you for your generous donations, we have raised the following amounts:



£232.55



10.3.8 kg of goods



£209.66



Pupils in all year groups will be set some homework to complete over the half-term break. Please support them to complete this so that pupils can practise and consolidate their learning from this half term.



<https://padlet.com/Lansdowne/february-reading-challenge-2023-kop7qnw7f8q6spa6>



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Attendance Matters



LOST MINUTES =
LOST LEARNING!



Attendance matters at Lansdowne Primary Academy.....

For children to be successful in school, your children should:

- Be in school every day and on time!
- Remember that gates close at 8.30am, so be **responsible** and ensure you get to school with plenty of time.
- Organise themselves the night before.
- Remember that good attendance = good learners.
- Think about how much learning time you will lose by having a day off of school....



100% Attendance = 100% Chance

96% and above is the target for good attendance.

What is your child's attendance like?





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Attendance League Table

2W	95.3
3G	94.8
4C	94.8
6B	94.8
6H	94.5
2L	94.3
3M	94.2
1B	93.9
6G	93.6
2A	93.4
4JC	93.2
4H	93.1
5H	93.1
3KG	92.9
5A	91.9
5K	90.5
1S	90.4
RA	90.1
RD	89.4
1T	88.4
RK	88.3



KS1 Winners 2L
KS2 Winners 6H
Spring Term 1 Winners



World Cup Winners



Well done to Class 6H who have won the GLC Attendance World Cup Competition. They beat off all the other classes across the entire GLC Primary Schools and now have £100 to spend on a prize. They have decided to have an end of term treat and will be ordering Pizza on Friday.

6H are also the school leaders in another competition we are running... and may even win another Pizza Party.

Please look out for more challenges to help boost our school attendance.

Attendance Target is
96%



Actual attendance
93.2%



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SPRING ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE



**Come to school every day from
20 February 2023 - 31 March 2023
for your chance to win a fantastic prize**

PRIZES

**One pupil who has achieved 100% attendance
will win a £25 Amazon Voucher
7 Runner up prizes**

**FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN...
MAKE SURE YOU ARE COUNTED IN!**



GOOD LUCK!





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: WEEK 1-3

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Reception	Kaylen R Lacie J Martin D Amie S Arlo B Nickolas K	Micael A Alina A Ollie F Cody H Maher R	Marlie K Lexie Mai G Millie J Jake M Huda A Lily S
Year 1	Angel T Rayyan H Jack C Amaya H Ainna A Aleem A	Evelyn B Dami O Primrose P Evie G Brittany L Nellie D	Aria Naidoo Kamila Guiste Gonzalez Mikel Larbai Logan Garwood K’Vella Falzon
Year 2	Pierdario B Jessie EL	Kayson TB Simona K	Renesmae R Kaleb PS
Year 3	Ivan H Aiyanna M Thomas R	Ollie DR Afeezah A Jakob C	Angelika G Poppie P Aayan C
Year 4	Poppie A Armaan A Anaiya E Zhi Chen H Aliyah I Samuel L	Viviana B Mason J Tiffany O Kaiden P Anum R Jake S	Emma M Teddy W Summer R Khade WJ Lexi H Tokoni O
Year 5	Zhi Jie H Praise A Harlee V Michael H Diamond O Angel B	Faith J Max C	Kai O Elizabeth O
Year 6	Walid Selene Sonny Isabelle	Joe Trixy K Andrea Joseph	Ruby C Marisa Logan Bobby



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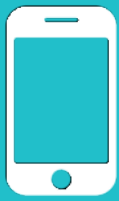
- **Green:** Parents/Carers are invited to attend
- **Blue:** Pupils only [Parents/Carers are not required to attend]

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Date	Year Group	Event Information
Monday 20th February 2023	Year 1	Lego Workshop
Tuesday 21st February 2023	Year 1	Lego Workshop
Tuesday 21st February 2023	Year 4	Reading fluency- targeted parents 1.30 2.00 2.30
Tuesday 21st February 2023	Year 6	Spring 2 Parents information meeting. 2.30 - 3.00
Wednesday 22nd February 2023	Year 1	Lego Workshop
Thursday 23rd February 2023	Year 4	Spring 2 parents information meeting 2.30 - 3.00
Thursday 23rd February 2023	Year 5 /6	LPA v Dilkes [Cup Game] @ LPA 3:30 - 4:00
Friday 24th February 2023	Year 3	Meet the Senco Class 3G 3.00 - 3.30
Monday 27th February 2023	Year 5 /6	LPA v Benyon B at LPA 3:30 - 4:00
Monday 27th February 2023	Year 5	Family learning session 2:15 - 2:55
Tuesday 28th February 2023	Year 6 - invited parents only	Arithmetic workshop - Supporting your child with the SATs 2.15 - 3.00
Thursday 2nd March 2023	Year 5/ 6	LPA V Gateway 3.30 - 4.45
Friday 3rd March 2023	Year 5	Meet the SENDCo - class 5H 3.00 - 3.30
Friday 3rd March 2023	All years 1-6	SEN Day William Edwards 9.30 - 12.30
Tuesday 7th March 2023	Year 5	End of day reading 2:45 - 3:00
Wednesday 8th March 2023	Year 6	Comedia Workshop All day
Wednesday 8th March 2023	Reception	Family learning session - 2.00pm
Thursday 9th March 2023	Year 6	Comedia Workshop All day
Thursday 9th March 2023	Nursery	Family Learning Session Morning Nursery and Miss O'Connor's Key Group 10.15-11.15 Afternoon Nursery, Miss Tapiki and Miss Cooke's Key group: 2.00-3.00
Friday 10th March 2023	Year 4	Stone Age Workshops 9.15. 10.30 - 13.15
Friday 10th March 2023	Year 2	Meet the SENDCo - Class 2A 3.00 - 3.30
Friday 10th March 2023	All years 1-6	Key Steps Gymnastics @ William Edwards KS1: 9.00 - 11.30 Year 3 and 4: 11.45 - 13.15 Year 5 and 6 : 13.30 - 15.30
Friday 10th March 2023	Year 5/6	LPA v Little Thurrock @ LPA 3:30 - 4:00
Monday 13th March 2023	Year 5	Reading parent workshop 3:00 -3:30
Tuesday 14th March 2023	Year 4	Family learning session 1.55 - 2.55
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 5 & 6	Supersports Sportshall athletics William Edwards 11.30 - 2.30
Friday 17th March 2023	Reception	Meet the SENDCo (rainbow street) 3.00 - 3.30
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 6	Science in schools KS1 10.00 - 11.00
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 6	Science in schools KS2 13.30 - 14.30
Friday 17th March 2023	Year 6	Science in school Parents invited 3.30 - 4.30
Tuesday 21st March 2023	Year 5	End of day reading 2:45 - 300
Wednesday 22nd March	Year 6	Family learning session 2.00 - 3.00
Thursday 23rd March 2023		Poetry Competition Final - Ellis Theatre 6.30 pm
Thursday 23rd March 2023	Nursery	Information Session: Supporting your child's Early Maths 2.15
Friday 24th March 2023	Nursery	Meet the SENDCo - Nursery 3.00 - 3.30
Friday 24th March 2023	Year 3	Family Learning Session 2.15 -2.55
Friday 24th March 2023	Year 3 & 4	Year 3 /4 Sportshall Athletics Basildon Sporting Village 9.30 - 2.00
Monday 27th Feb 2023	KS2[by invite only]	Reading Eggs Workshop 3.00 - 3.45
Tuesday 28th March 2023	KS1 [by invite only]	Reading Eggs Workshop 3.00 - 3.45
Tuesday 28th March 2023	Year 5	Trip to Rainham Marshes
Friday 31st March 2023	Year 6	Meet the SENDCo - 6G 3..15 - 3.30

If you require additional information regarding an event happening in school, please do not hesitate to use our support email address or phone the school admin team.

Support email address: Support4U-LPA@theglc.org.uk



School Contact Details

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WELCOME TO LANSDOWNE PRIMARY ACADEMY



GLC Lansdowne Primary Academy
All Different: All Equal: Together, Improving Upon Our Best

THE NAMED MEMBERS OF STAFF FOR CHILD PROTECTION AT
LANSDOWNE PRIMARY ACADEMY ARE:



MR BURNETT
DEPUTY HEAD OF SCHOOL
DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING
LEAD



MISS SPARROW
INCLUSION MANAGER
DEPUTY SAFEGUARDING
LEAD



MISS SPINDLER
DEPUTY HEAD OF SCHOOL
DEPUTY SAFEGUARDING
LEAD 2

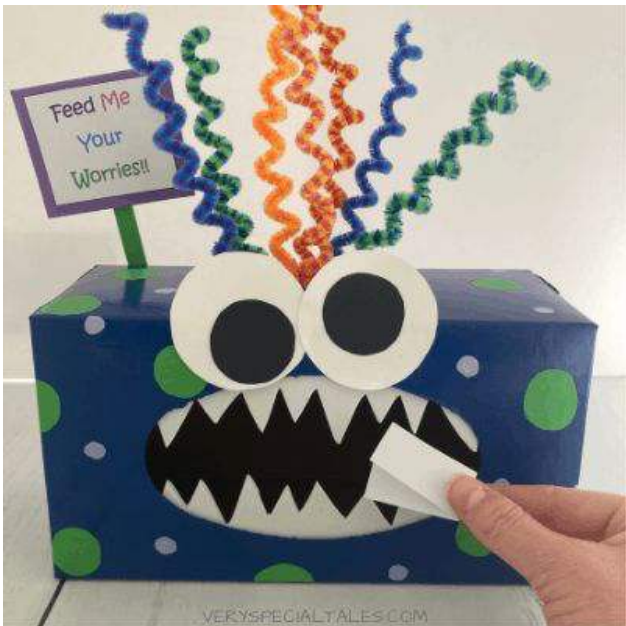
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Keeping Safe at Lansdowne Primary Academy

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We have a worry box in every classroom - please encourage your child to use this if they need to...

ANTI-BULLYING PROCESS

GLC Lansdowne Primary Academy
All children. All rights. All improving upon the rest.

Step 1- Speak up and **STAND UP**

'I won't watch someone get picked on because I am a do something person'

If I am being bullied or I see someone being bullied I can ...		
Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
<div>I can tell a trusted adult in school</div> <div></div> <div>school</div> <div>It may be one of the 5 adults on your <u>network hand</u>.</div>	<div>I can tell a trusted adult out of school who will talk to the school</div> <div></div> <div>for me</div> <div>If you feel like you are unable to talk to a school adult, share with an adult at home</div>	<div>I can write it down and give it to my teacher</div> <div></div> <div>Sometimes it is difficult to talk, we understand. Write it down and we'll help!</div>

Step 2 - INVESTIGATE

'At Lansdowne – bullying is not OK! Bullying bothers me'

The adults in school will listen to me.

They will speak to everyone involved to find out what happened.

I may have to write down what has been happening.

The adult may keep a secret eye on me – they are helping me to stay safe.

Step 3 - FIX IT

'We are a team at Lansdowne and we **STAND UP** to bullies!'

The adults will talk to the person who is being bullied and the person who is the bully.

The adults will try and understand why something has happened, how everyone feels and what needs to change.

The adults will continue to monitor the situation and support the victim to feel empowered as well as supporting the bully so that their behaviour changes.

The adults will try to help mend any broken relationships if this is wanted.

The adults will check in regularly to make sure that we are safe and happy.

If I **STAND UP** against bullying – the adults in school will support me.

Consequences of Bullying

If I am bullying another child, this means I am making our school unsafe and unhappy. I will not be allowed on the playground for an amount of time and there could be more serious consequences.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

Guides and resources

Parents and Carers

Our Core Values across The GLC

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Aspiration - We aim high and work hard to make it happen. We believe everybody can achieve something great and realise the importance of 'improving upon our best'.

Responsibility - We take charge of our own actions and behaviour, recognising that we play a fundamental role in shaping our lives, the lives of others and every aspect of our world. We understand the importance of 'making the weather'.

Resilience - We tackle challenges head on, bounce back from any setbacks and approach situations people and experiences with confidence and a positive mindset.

Compassion - We care for ourselves and one another, are concerned about the suffering of others and want to act to make a better world.



Please talk to your children about how we demonstrate our Core Values in school and outside of school.

Our Learning Competencies

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Our 4 Learning Competencies will equip students who leave school to engage in the personal, cultural, economic and social challenges they will inevitably face in their lives:

Communication: The ability to express thoughts and feelings and confidently in a range of media and forms

Curiosity: The ability to ask questions and explore how the world works better

Creativity: The ability to generate new ideas and to apply them in practice

Critical thinking: The ability to analyse information and ideas and to form reasoned arguments and judgements



Please talk to your children about how we demonstrate our Learning Competencies in school and outside of school.



PE AND SCHOOL SPORT

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Girls Football

A huge congratulations to our girls football team who won their football match against The Gateway Primary Free School. This victory has seen the girls from Lansdowne go through to the semi-finals of the cup! With full time being a 1-1 draw, the girls showed their resilience and sealed the victory by winning 3-1 on penalties. They showed a great desire all throughout. We are extremely proud of them. We will now play Dilkes Primary Academy in the semi-finals on Thursday 23rd February 2023.



Year 5 & 6 Supersports Dodgeball

A huge congratulation to the children below who participated within the year 5&6 Supersports dodgeball tournament on Friday 27th January. Supersports Dodgeball is apart of a 3 series event, the children represented Lansdowne brilliantly all throughout the event. The children showed passion, determination and the desire to succeed. After winning all of their group games, Lansdowne finished first making it through to the knockout stages. Overall, the children finished 2nd, narrowly missing out on first place. However, this is a massive achievement and a brilliant start to the event trilogy. The PE team couldn't be prouder. Well done!



After School clubs

The SPRING term extra-curricular clubs have made a strong start here at Lansdowne with the children experience a variety of new sports. However, there is still time and spaces during some clubs of our clubs for your child to attend. You can sign your child up for a club by visiting www.clubbly.co.uk - it is a very 'user friendly' website.

If you have any questions or queries regarding after school clubs then please do not hesitate to contact a member of the PE department who will be happy to help/assist you.

Campfire Stories

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Thank you to everyone who attended Campfire Stories for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The children had a fantastic time, listening to stories, toasting marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate. They all left saying how much fun it was and quoting 'where's my toe?' from Miss Bevan's interactive role play story. We will be running more reading events next half term, please continue to encourage your child to read at home and complete a reading journal activity every week. There is also a February Reading Challenge taking place, I am looking forward to seeing all the children's photos of them enjoying reading over the half term.

Thank you for your continued support,
Miss Hayden



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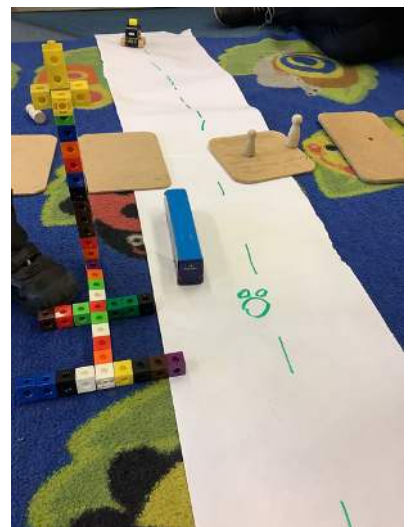
Nursery

We have had a super end to our topic all around Transport with our last week focussing on travel in space in our story 'Whatever Next'! The children have also been enjoying developing their fine and gross motor skills by taking part in Write Dance in recent weeks. Some super mark making!



Reception

We enjoyed a trip to the library this week. We walked from school and spoke about the geographical features and road safety along the way. At the library we joined in with a fantastic story and were given our own copy to keep!

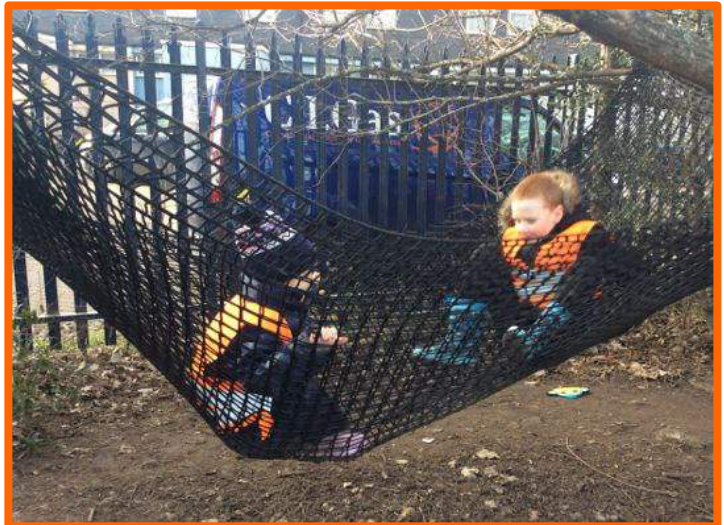


Back at school we created the zebra crossing using different resources.

ACORNS

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In Acorns, we have enjoyed exploring the Forest School area, especially playing on the swing and in the netting. We also collected natural items to make ice sun catchers. In class, we have developed our fine motor skills, including making clay birds and playing some board games with our friends. We have really enjoyed learning about London, and have visited the Tower of London in our outdoor area, as well as making our own landmarks from blocks.



YEAR 1

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Year 1 have had a great half term learning lots of new knowledge. A highlight of this half term has most definitely been the 'exotic animals' workshop. The children had so much fun touching the animals and thinking about which animal group they belong to. This really helped the children with their science work. In art, the children have been learning how to roll and mould clay. It has been a bit messy but the children have had a great experience and are looking forward to making models of an owl using the clay. In music, year 1 have enjoyed learning new songs and finding the beat.



Year 2 have learnt so much this half term. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their writing unit about the Great Fire of London. They received an old diary all about the fire and used this to plan and write a diary entry of their own about the Great Fire of London. In science, they have been investigating materials and their properties. They have used their knowledge about materials and their design and technology skills to make a house during this half terms family learning session. Thank you to everyone who came to work with their child. It was a great afternoon! The children have benefitted from music lessons this half term with our specialist music teacher. They have been singing, playing instruments and some children have been lucky enough to join the new year 2 recorder club!



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Year 3

Year 3 has been learning, not only about the Anglo Saxon way of life but also about forces and magnets. We have been looking at how materials can be magnetic and non magnetic but also the relationship between the magnet size and it's strength.

We have also been lucky enough to learn how to sing "Three little Birds" and how to use the glockenspiels. Below is a great video of our fantastic singing!



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link!

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/H79PMM9iEckd275MA>

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On Friday 27th January 2023, Year 4 visited Duxford Museum to support their learning about The Blitz. The children had an opportunity to see the inside of army planes and a replica of one of the first models of the concorde. Throughout the museum was memorabilia such as placards and home guard uniforms from WWII. The children were able to experience what it was like in an Anderson shelter and even tried on helmets when role playing as WWII soldiers.



During our family learning session, the children created Anderson shelters with the support of an adult. The children were innovative in their attempts to use a range of materials to recreate the shapes of the Anderson shelters. Some children also began making the inside of their anderson shelters.



YEAR 5

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Year 5 have had a busy half term, learning about WW1, completing science experiments about materials and participating in workshops. Last week, Year 5 took part in the Hamlet workshops where they acted out scenes from the play and learned about key characters actions, emotions and motives. The children then went to the Gateway to watch the National Theatre perform Hamlet, the performance was interactive and engaging. They now have an understanding of Hamlet ready for their writing unit after half term. Thank you to everyone who attended our family learning session about WW1 this week. It was fantastic to see the children turning into historians, finding and recording information about the weapons used in WW1 and rating them from the most to the least effective.



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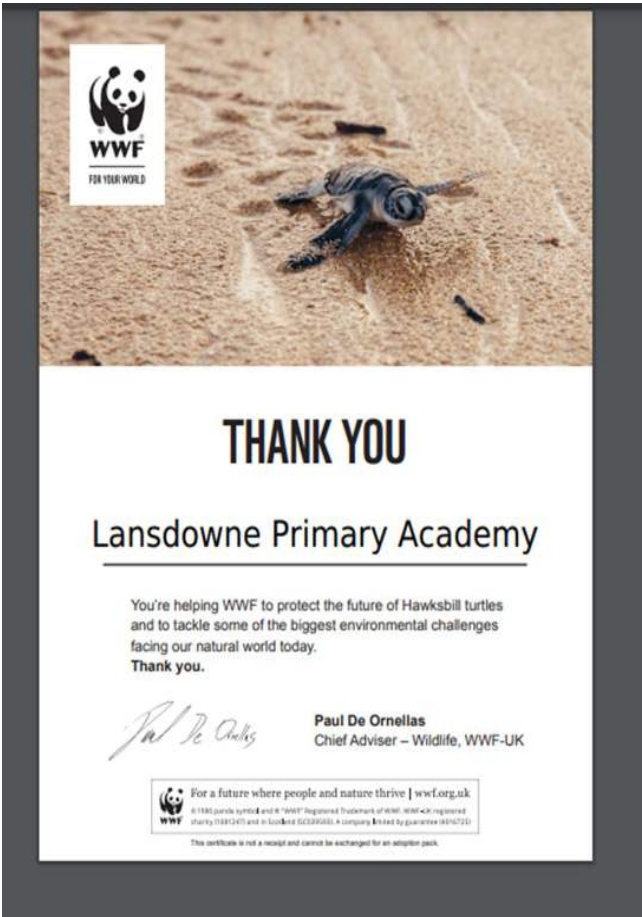
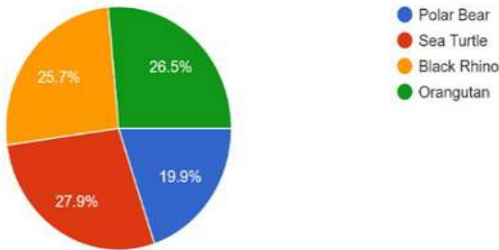
Year six have had a busy week, firstly on Wednesday we had our third Family Learning Session this year. Thank you to the parents who joined us, the children had a great time planning their own trip to London. They were given a budget and asked to plan a trip for a group of 4 and consider their travel, food and entertainment for the trip. They then presented their ideas to the class. The children have also been busy making dips. They used the traditional hummus recipe and adapted it to make their own flavour. The children enjoyed sharing their dips with each other and even Mr George got involved with the tasting.



INCLUSION



Please select the animal you would like us as a school to adopt:
136 responses



On the 16th of January the Eco-Warriors launched a project to adopt an endangered animal with the WWF.

We narrowed the choices down to; the polar bear, the sea turtle, the black rhino and the orangutan and then put this to a democratic vote so that the whole school could take part in this great cause.

We have now come to the end of the process and we are pleased to announce that the sea turtle as won!

This adoption will help to support the marine turtle habitats and will help to protect nesting grounds.

Look out for the turtle at the main office!

