

ASPS NEWS



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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the November edition of our ASPS News.

Once again I would like to extend a huge thank you to the whole Alfred Sutton community who have pulled together to ensure the term has continued to pass as smoothly as possible. Despite the restrictions, the children have continued to enjoy a rich and enjoyable curriculum which is testament to the hard work of the all the team. A real illustration of the sense of community is the large amount of food donations we have had for Readifood this year. Thank you to all those parents/carers who have donated.

Yours sincerely

Robert Howell
Headteacher



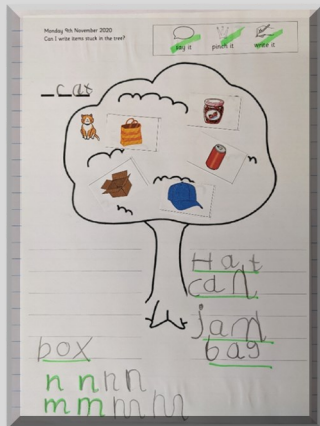
School News

Nursery News

The Nursery children have had a busy start to the Autumn 2 term. We started our topic “*Into the Woods*” with a favourite story - *The Gruffalo*. The children enjoyed exploring musical instruments and moving like the animals from the story. They then learned about the Hindu festival of Diwali and made sparkling diva lamps from salt dough, paint and glittery jewels. We learned about why people wear poppies and made our own poppies for Remembrance Day. Last week we had great fun exploring the ‘Great Outdoors’ on our ‘Welly Walk’, looking at and listening to the signs of Autumn. We also enjoyed the story *Where the Wild Things Are* and created movements to dance like ‘Wild Things’ to the music *In the Hall of the Mountain King* by the composer Grieg.



Reception News



Another busy start to the term! So far we have been doing some wonderful work with our key texts, 'Stuck' by Oliver Jeffers and 'Aliens Love Underpants' by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort. We have thought about how to be resilient and not give up when things are tricky. Our writing has also got much better and we are continuing to use 'Fred Fingers' when spelling. The children had a lot of fun designing their own underpants. In maths, we have been looking very closely at numbers 4 and 5, learning about different ways they can be represented. We have also started to use a part-whole mat to begin to investigate addition.



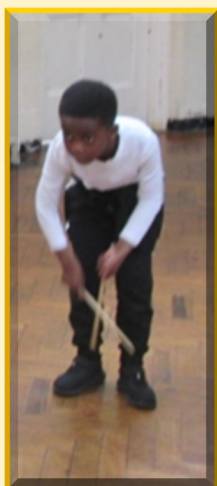
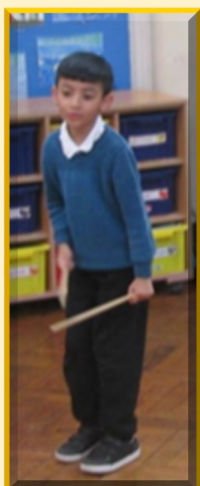
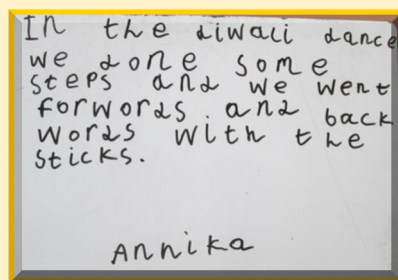
Year 1 News

Year 1 children were inspired by Mondrian. We used primary colours and black lines to create Mondrian inspired hot air balloons.

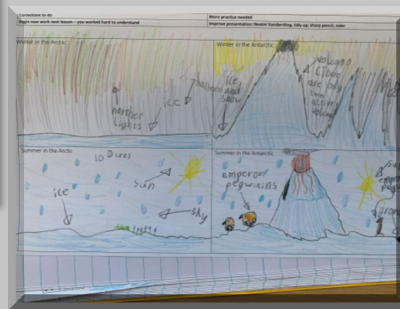
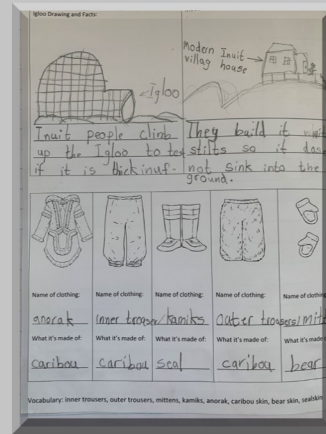
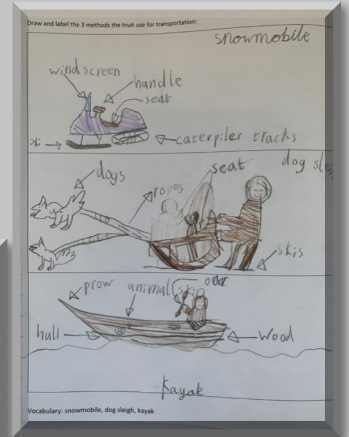
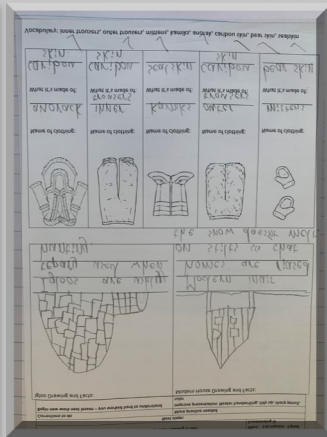
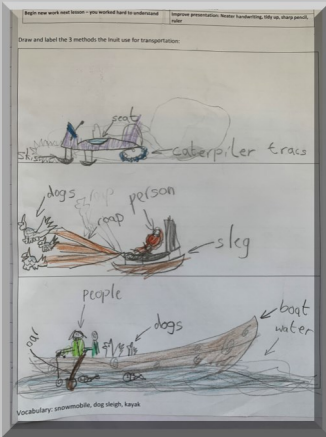


Year 1 Remembrance Day Poppies

In Year 1 we performed a traditional Diwali Stick Dance. We read the story of *Rama and Sita and the evil Demon King Ravana* and listened to some Indian music.

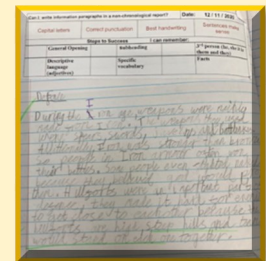
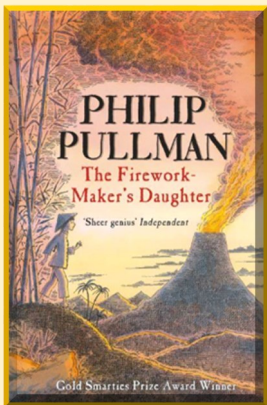


Year 2 News



Year 2 have gotten stuck into their new topic for this term: The Poles. They have learned about where the North and South Poles are and how the climate there is different to the climate in the UK. They have also learned about the Inuit, a group of people who have adapted how they live to life in the Arctic. The children have enjoyed learning about what the Inuit people eat, what their houses and transportation are like, and what they wear to keep warm. They have read the book *A Promise is a Promise* and are beginning to write warning tales featuring Inuit children who live in the Arctic.

Year 3 News



Autumn 2 is off to a great start! The Year 3 children have learnt about different artists, such as Van Gogh and Monet, and the techniques they used to create some of their most famous works.

Year 3 have also been learning about prehistoric Britain, from The Stone Age to The Iron Age, and have been writing non-chronological reports to share their new knowledge and their favourite facts.

The children have made great progress in maths, working on applying their adding and subtracting to word problems as well as progressing with core skills like times tables.

We are currently reading Philip Pullman's *The Firework Maker's Daughter* in guided reading and have thoroughly enjoyed reading it and the work it has inspired so far.



Year 4 News



Year 4 have really enjoyed learning about the Romans. We have learned about Boudicca, Roman roads in Britain, Hadrian's Wall and gods and goddesses.

We've even jumped into our time travel machines and travelled back to the Roman times to explore some ancient Roman sports. The children can't wait to write up some instructions about how to play the sports and maybe even teach you!

In the run up to the festive season, Year 4 have had a brilliant time creating some Christmas tree decorations to adorn the year group tree. Each class will be looking after the tree for the next few weeks.

The children enjoyed dressing up for Children in Need and, as always, contributed generously.



Year 5 News

Hello to all parents and carers of Year 5 children. We hope this finds you happy and healthy in these difficult times.

We are glad to say that, despite working in our class bubbles, school life now seems relatively normal and the children are really settling down to their learning. They are enjoying a wide variety of lessons, with each child exploring their own strengths and areas for improvement.

With resilience being our Sutton Six Value for the term, the children are working hard to model this quality. They are really challenging themselves to try every task independently, before asking for help, and developing their ability to work with peer support rather than allowing themselves to become dependant on the adults in the room. Well done to each and every one of them for this.

The last two weeks have seen several important events being 'celebrated' in class. Firstly, children were most generous in their support for Children in Need (and loved the chance to show off the brightest outfits too). Additionally, Year 5 also partook in Anti-Bullying Week – building their understanding of what bullying is, the effects it can have on people and the ways we can work together to eradicate it as a problem. The attached pictures show children of Buzzard class re-enacting a bullying incident, before writing about it for a newspaper article.

Speaking of newspaper articles, the exciting news coming out of Year 5 is that we have been tasked with writing the first edition of the new school newspaper. Children are working together in groups to write articles that we are sure will really grab your attention. We hope the results of this exciting new project will be available for all to see towards the end of term – so keep your eyes peeled for announcements.

Year 5 children were also a focus for the recent filming taking place in school. All our classes had a role to play – Buzzard were filmed in maths, Falcon in DT and Eagle in IT. Who knew we were so in demand!

If you have not already seen the completed ASPS film, it can be found at: <https://youtu.be/FvV2oZ8Agc4>

As ever, we send thanks for all that you do to support your children in their learning. We could not have the success we do without you.

Take care, stay safe and well,
The Year 5 team



Year 6 News

Year 6 have enjoyed learning about perspective drawing in Art this term - we have looked at using parallel lines to help give depth to our drawing and also focused on developing our tone and shading skills when drawing self-portraits. We look forward to putting these skills together for our self-portrait at the end of term. We have also been developing our proportion drawing skills.

