



## Diary

22nd January-26th January



Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Swimming</b>	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mr Simmons meeting with Creative Play rep</b>	Organising equipment funded by PTA
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Traversing wall installation</b>	New playground equipment

### New Governors

We would like to welcome Alex Nicholson and Rob Hammond who have joined our Governing Body as parent governors.

### Bikeability 29<sup>th</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Please remember to return both consent forms. Bikeability is compulsory for all Yr 6 children. Please speak to Mr Simmons if you have a problem with your child taking part in the scheme.

### BBC 500 words story writing competition



During Monday's assembly I spoke to the children about entering the BBC 500 words story writing competition. This is the world's largest story writing competition with 131,798 children entering last year. I would like to encourage as many of our children as possible to take part this year and see it as a wonderful opportunity to promote writing.

There are two categories for entry, the 5 – 9 age range and the 10 -13 age range. Entries need to be submitted online by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February. The BBC 500 words website has all the information needed and is well worth looking at for inspiration and ideas.

While children can submit their entries at home we would love to read their stories at school and I am happy to assist children with the entry process. Lots of the children have already shared their wonderful ideas with me!

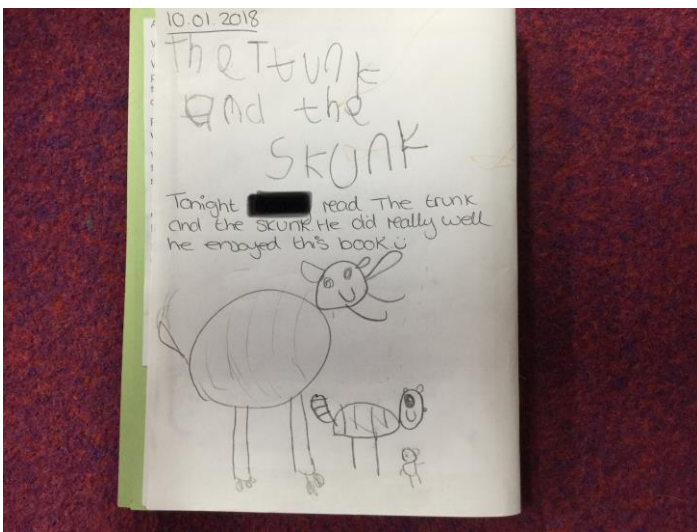
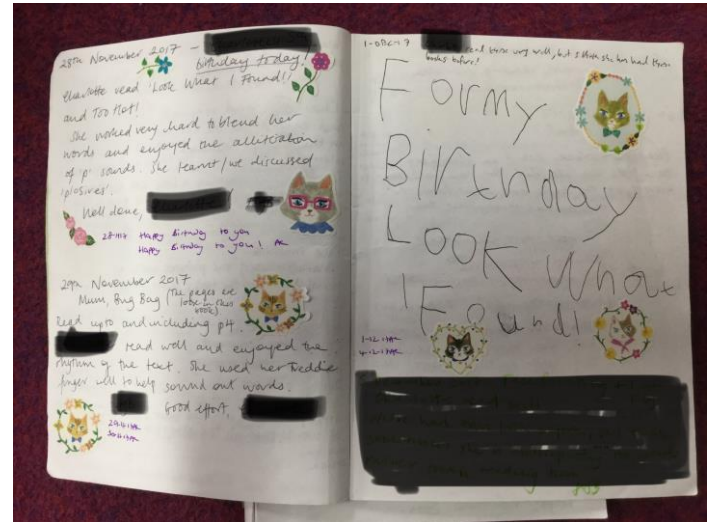
Good luck and happy writing,

**Mrs Newbold**

These are some great examples of the different ways you can be supporting your child's learning at home in the early years.

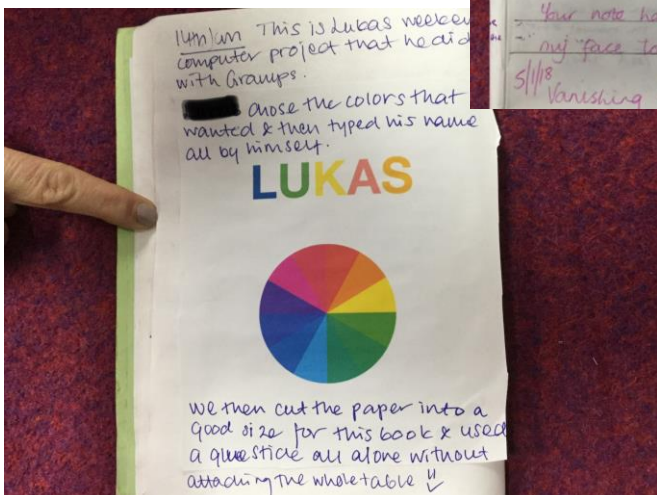
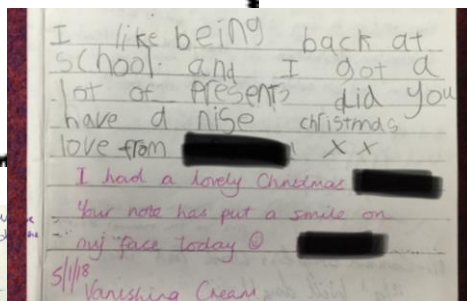
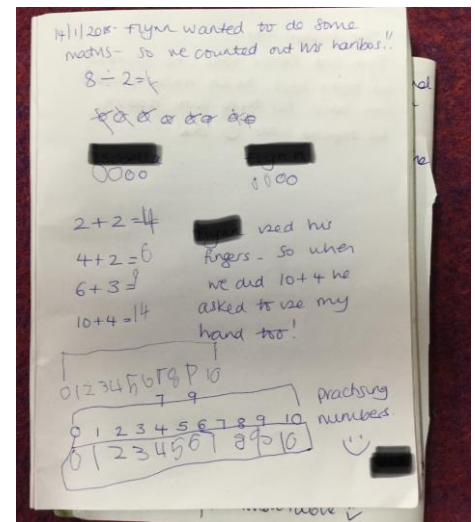
Is your child reluctant to read at home? Magpie this idea of letting your child add a sticker to their journal each time they read with you.

### Dormouse Reading Diaries



Encourage your child to take ownership of their reading journal by asking them to write the title of their book and maybe a picture of their favourite part. Talking about what they have read is an important step towards good comprehension skills.

We love reading notes from your child...and it's a great way to get them writing!  
Or showing off their maths skills...



This was lovely to read and is a fab example of the range of ways in which you can be supporting at home and that this goes much further than reading, writing and maths. Developing skills of independence are essential in helping your child to engage in their learning.

## Star of the Week – (w/e 12/01/2018)



### Diary dates

#### Diary dates Spring Term

w/c January 29<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Bikeability

February 5<sup>th</sup> – PTA (7pm)

February 12<sup>th</sup> – Half Term

February 20<sup>th</sup> – Messy Church

February 26<sup>th</sup> – PTA

February 26<sup>th</sup>-March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Book Week

March 1<sup>st</sup> – World Book Day – Dress as a Book character

March 6<sup>th</sup> – Brian Moses author visit

w/c 12<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fair

March 13<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Consultation – 5:30 – 7:30

March 15<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Consultation – 3:45-5:00

March 19<sup>th</sup> – Hedgehog Class Assembly – 2:55

March 20<sup>th</sup> – Messy Church

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Class photos

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Dormouse & Hedgehog trip to Amberley Museum

March 28<sup>th</sup> – Easter Egg hunt

March 29<sup>th</sup> – Break up at 1:30