

# Good News!

## Year 6

Following on from our visit to Anglia Ruskin University last week, we have been planning and writing our texts to persuade people to go to ARU. A persuasive text aims to convince people to do something. It uses: specific vocabulary, questioning, opinions, statistics and evidence. We are now putting our plans together using the Chrome Books to make a poster or leaflet using pictures, logos and our text. On Wednesday we had a visitor from The Houses of Parliament who came to tell us more about politics. We heard about the role of our local MP, Lucy Frazer and how the House of Commons and House of Lords make laws. Then we had the opportunity to have a class debate on whether zoos should be banned. We used the formal language used in Parliament such as: "This House believes that....", "Here! Here!" and "Thank you Speaker". It was fun and we learnt how listen and then respond to other people's points of view. Holly and Isaac

**Year 5** This week in PE we put together everything we have learned this year in gymnastics. We worked in partners to create a routine and even added some of our own moves including back hand springs and cartwheels. We also had a huge game of dodgeball with Mrs Brophy which was really fun as she kept adding more and more balls including a massive yoga ball. On Wednesday we had an assembly about the UK parliament with a speaker called Sky. Afterwards we had a workshop in the classroom and debated whether Fortnite should be banned for school children. It was a noisy discussion and some people even changed their opinion after listening to the arguments. In topic we made posters asking for people to save water and recycle more for a competition arranged by DS Smith. We learned that when a tap is left running, in one minute it wastes 6 litres of water so we should all turn off the tap when we clean our teeth. When nappies are thrown away they take 500 years to decompose and did you know that in Ely you're not allowed to feed the ducks anymore as too many people are littering in rivers. Issie and Cameron

**Year 3** We have been learning about apostrophes. We now know how to use a possessive apostrophe e.g : My mother's flowers grow in the garden. We also learnt about how to use one when it is plural – you have to put the apostrophe at the end of the word instead (Lily). We have been learning a new way to do addition too. Now we can add using expanded column addition, it is much easier (Joshua). We love wearing green today. It's much more fun wearing our own clothes from home. Wearing the same thing every day can be boring. Joshua and Lily

## Year 1

We have written our own non-fiction texts about toys. I liked writing the captions (Charlie).

I was counting using rockets with Mrs Banks. I was counting in 5s and 10s (Amelia).

Charlie and Amelia

**Year 4** We have been reading 'Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears' by Emily Gravette. We enjoyed the map in the book, which is like a mouse's body. The island is called The Isle Of Fright, and rhymes with the Isle Of Wight. The book is about all the different fears mouse has. The colours show the degree of fears, and the scale shows the degrees in Little Mouse's fear of heights. Our favourite phobia name in the book is *Teratophobia* (Fear of monsters). Names for places are linked to fear e.g. 'Loose Bottom.' The end of the tail shape of the island is called 'Sharp Point' and the waterway is called *Farmer's Cut*. It reminded us of 'Three Blind Mice.' In maths we have been reading and solving mixed questions. In P.E we will be using the Spring-Board. Reuben and Jacob

**Year 2** We have been testing materials in science, our challenge is to find out and test which material would be best to make a toddler a pair of dungarees. In maths we have been bridging 10s and adding in a new way called 5 and a bit. So if we had 7+8, you would add the 2 fives first and then 2 and 3. We have made houses from the Great Fire of London with straw roofs, sketched street scenes and used pastels to add leaping flames. Our dance is nearly finished, we move with red and orange ribbons to swirl, twirl and leap. Ivy and Matthew

## Reception

This week we have had hearts in reception. We have been making cards and read the book guess I love you. We had a go at writing our own stories. We have been chalking outside our tricky word all. Grace and Ru

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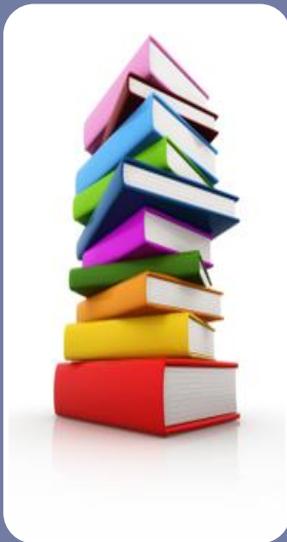


## Mrs Moore's Memorable Moment

I have really enjoyed continuing my reading journey around the school this week. Reception shared with me their reading of 'Guess how much I love you'; I explored Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears with year 4 and year 5 were able to tell me all about Floella Benjamin's 'Coming to England.'

On Wednesday, KS2 had a exciting morning with a visitor from Parliament who shared about the process of voting and the work of parliament. Again, I was so pleased to have such positive feedback from them about the behaviour of Ditton Lodge's pupils and the quality of the questions they asked. Well done!

## RIBIT Certificates



10th - Lily S, Albie W, Jessica L, George H

20th - Gary D, Caiden F, Cory E, Reuben v, Luca D, Amelie P, Isla D, Phoebe B, Cooper S, Zara R, Joseph H, Samuel W, Layla O'N, Harrison S, Tegan P, Jack S, William J, Anouk G, Ivy C, Dexter P, Robyn S, Darcey W, Arthur H-M, Millie M

30th - Amelia B



## Who received a Good News Certificate this week



Grace P

Evie J

Leon O'N

Alex S

Ruby F

Owen W

Lily S

Gary D

Freya B

Bardia F-G

Olivia G

Deniz S

Jack P

Jasmine C

All of Year 6

## This Week's House Points winner is:



Palace House

1650

Tattersalls House

1655

Severals House

1645

Hyperion House

1630

Half Term House Points Special

4th Place : 1 Horse

Hyperion (Red)

3rd Place : 2 Horses

Severals (Yellow)

2nd Place : 3 Horses

Palace (Green)

1st Place : 4 Horses

Tattersalls (Blue)

## Friendly Fish



Courtney P

Sebastian S

Jack S

Teddie T

Natasha D

Sophia G

Last week 10 pupils from year 5&6 went to Mildenhall to compete in a basketball competition and came 4<sup>th</sup> out of 12 schools. They played very well and came away with the Fair Play award which is fantastic news and something we are very proud of.



This week 16 children swam well at a swimming gala held at our local pool. We came 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> out of 18 schools. It was lovely to see the children really enjoying themselves and a member of the public congratulated Mrs Paskell on how well they behaved and cheered each other on.

## News from the PTFA

We look forward to seeing lots of you at the disco and we wish you a very happy half term.

### Attendance for this week

Reception	98.33%	Year 1	97.67 %	Year 2	99.31%	Year 3	98.71%
Year 4	98.21%	Year 5	99.67%	Year 6	98.00%	Whole school	98.56%