

Great Bookham School Newsletter

Welcome to Issue 11 - 24th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to announce that we raised an impressive £535.89 for Children in Need last week. Thank you so much for your generous donations and for your valuable assistance in making the cake sale such a success!

On Monday, PC Ed Ferris attended our road safety awareness assembly and talked to our children about the importance of staying safe on the roads. They enjoyed hearing all about his role within the community as a Casualty Prevention Officer and learning about the equipment he uses to measure the speed of vehicles. Our House Captains joined PC Ed Ferris to present to the children the green cross code.

This week Victoria Gingell, one of our governors, came into school to look at our science curriculum and see the subject in action. It was wonderful to see the progression of the subject from EYFS through to Year 5 and watching the scientific thinking and skills that children were using whilst conducting their experiments. Below are some photos from Year 6 who were using prisms to split white light into a spectrum of colour. They also made a Newtons wheel which further proved that white light is made up of 7 colours!

Our Reception class have been reading 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy. They loved the story so much that they decided to embark on their own adventure by creating rockets from large cardboard boxes, wearing colanders as space helmets and having a picnic with a soft toy of their choice on the moon. Thankfully they all returned safely from their adventure into space!

It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers attend this term's parent consultations. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our parent questionnaire whilst they waited. We are delighted to share that 93% of parents reported that their child is happy at Great Bookham School, 97% of parents felt that their child feels safe at school and 96% of parents would recommend our school to others.

Christmas preparations are well underway in school, on Wednesday 13th December we will be serving a traditional Christmas dinner. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner then please pre-order via ParentPay by Friday 1st December.

Miss J. Allen

Headteacher









Upcoming Key Dates

Friday 1st December - Christmas Fair 3:30pm

Saturday 2nd December - Spirit of Christmas 1:30pm

Tuesday 5th December - EYFS and KS1 Nativity Assembly 9:15am

Wednesday 6th December - EYFS and KS1 Nativity Assembly 2:30pm

Thursday 7th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 7th December - Y5 European Christmas Day

Tuesday 12th December - Christingle Performance 9:30am

Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 13th December - Christingle Performance 6:30pm

Thursday 14th December - Christingle Performance 1:30pm

Friday 15th December - last day of term



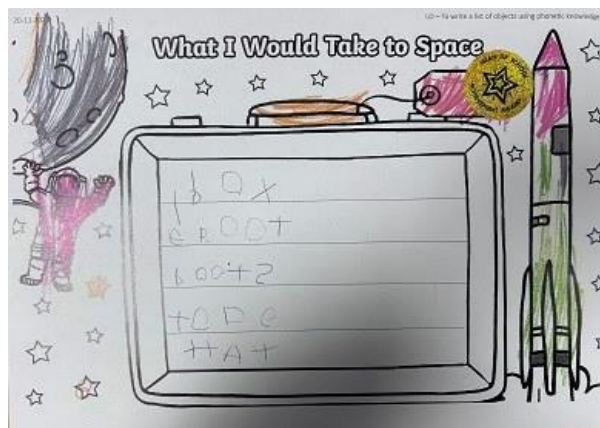
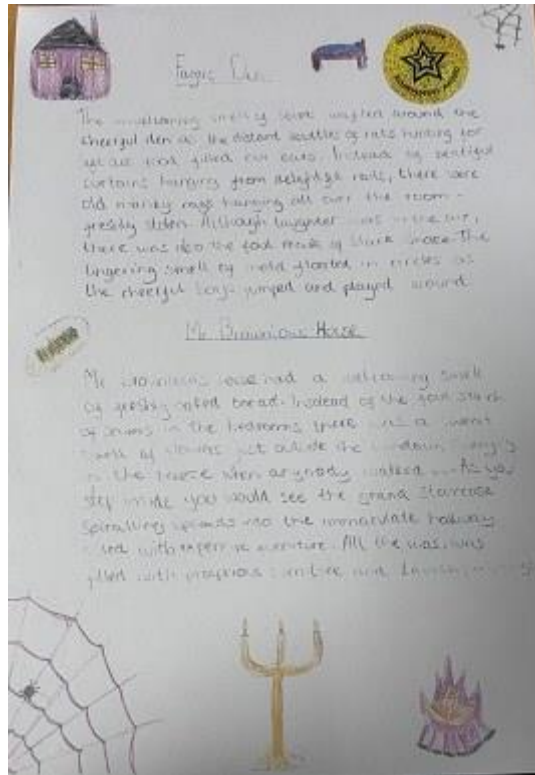
Headteacher Award

Lucy C in Y6 transported me back to the Victorian era today with her beautiful piece of writing all about Fagin's Den and Mr Brownlow's House. She beautifully described the differences between the two residences.

Bonnie in Reception did a wonderful job of using her her phonic knowledge to write a list of all the items that she would take to space with her!

Henry in Y4 impressed me with his maths work earlier this week. He has used partitioning and the grid method to calculate various calculations.

Well done everyone!



Learning Objective: To use identifying and the long method to calculate multiplication of 3d.s.d.

Reference: Core Skills in Mathematics (Lower Primary) Book 1, Unit 10, Page 114

No.	Problem	Answer
1.	$234 \times 2 = 468$	468
2.	$345 \times 3 = 1035$	1035
3.	$567 \times 4 = 2268$	2268
4.	$123 \times 5 = 615$	615
5.	$456 \times 6 = 2736$	2736
6.	$789 \times 7 = 5523$	5523
7.	$101 \times 8 = 808$	808
8.	$234 \times 9 = 2106$	2106
9.	$567 \times 10 = 5670$	5670
10.	$890 \times 11 = 9790$	9790
11.	$123 \times 12 = 1476$	1476
12.	$456 \times 13 = 5928$	5928
13.	$789 \times 14 = 11046$	11046
14.	$101 \times 15 = 1515$	1515
15.	$234 \times 16 = 3744$	3744
16.	$567 \times 17 = 9639$	9639
17.	$890 \times 18 = 16020$	16020
18.	$123 \times 19 = 2337$	2337

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Online Safety

Roblox

Roblox is a platform consisting of a collection of games. Players can either create games or play games that other users have created. It is free to download (however subscription options and in game/app purchases are available) and can be played across numerous devices. A lot of the content

is user generated, which may mean not all games will be suitable for your child to view/play. It is important to set up appropriate parental controls for your child.

What rating is Roblox?

PEGI rate Roblox with a Parental Guidance label, this is because it is difficult to rate due to the huge level of user generated content. It is rated for 'Teens' on Google Play and 12+ on the App store.

What should I be aware of?

Chat Facility - Players can chat to each other on Roblox. You can turn communication off completely or add restrictions, such as only communicate with friends.

Virtual Currency - Players can buy Robux (their virtual currency) to buy in-game upgrades or accessories. For children under 13, you can set the Monthly Spend Restriction in settings.

Game content – as mentioned, users create games so sometimes the content/themes may not be appropriate for your child.

How do I report abuse and block users?

Roblox have a Report Abuse system so show your child how to use it to report inappropriate content as well as how to block other users. There are different ways of doing this depending on the device being used.

How do I set up parental controls and a pin?

Parental controls are available within settings. We recommend that you explore the parental controls available and set as appropriate. You can enable a PIN, which means that changes cannot be made without this pin. You can set up Allowed Experiences, which allows you to select age-appropriate experiences, so your child can only join experiences that match their age. Age categories available are for all, 9+, 13+ and 17+. All experiences are still searchable though. To view content that is suitable for 17+, then a user must participate in a verification process by submitting valid ID.

Further information:

- <https://corp.roblox.com/parents/>
- <https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/checklists/roblox/>



Stars of the week

Our stars of the week are:

Ladybirds	Archie W
Bumblebees	Archie R
Dragonflies	Jena
Foxes	Chloe
Squirrels	Cameron
Hedgehogs	Izzy B
Rabbits	Finbar
Eagles	Ewan
Hawks	Faith
Falcons	Lucy C
Kestrels	Freya

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Attendance

Congratulations to **Foxes** for winning the attendance certificate this week!

MAC the attendance bear will live in **Foxes** classroom for the next week.

