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Commonwealth Sports Week

This week, Greysbrooke has had a Commonwealth Sports theme which has involved children across the school taking part in a selection of sporting activities. It has been an amazing week which has involved skilled professional sports men and women from across the country coming in and running sports sessions for the children. Sessions have included 'Train like an Athlete'; taking part in a motivation assembly with athletes; learning decathlon skills and they developed their awareness of disabilities in sports; Leicester Tigers Community Rugby training sessions.

YR



Reception class staying in the shade watching sports day, we had the best time! We really enjoyed learning about sport from the decathlete Matt Lee. We couldn't believe how high and far he can jump! We worked hard in our teams and did our best all week even in the heat! We have had the best week!

Y1



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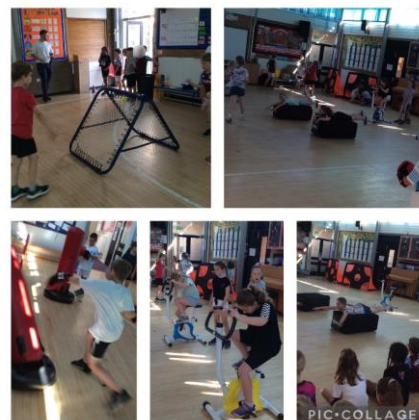


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Y2



Y3



Practicing swimming



Future Boxing Stars



Throwing



Meeting a Paralympian

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Y5



Y6



It was wonderful to welcome so many parents and family members to the Sports Day events throughout the day on Tuesday. The children competed well, cheering each other on, and had a wonderful time showing off their skills to the enthusiastic spectators!

Special thanks go to Miss Callahan, and her fabulous Y6 team of pupils, who jumped in to co-ordinate the final touches and host the event in the absence of Mrs Tweedie.

Big thanks and thoughts must also go to Mrs Tweedie, who meticulously planned and co-ordinated the whole week - it was a real success and one we know she would have relished taking part in.

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Lichfield Festival 'Green Journeys' competition

Lichfield Festival recently ran a competition called 'Green Journeys'. Children across Staffordshire were encouraged to write a story based on the environment, global warming or pollution.

Three of our Year 6 pupils entered; Emily, Thom and George. Both Emily and George were placed as runners-up in the competition, both winning book vouchers. We are incredibly proud of these pupils for entering and also being placed. Well done!

School Dinners

A reminder that those children who are moving to KS2 in September will no longer be eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals. From Y3-Y6, parents have to pay £2.30 for children to have a school dinner, unless they are eligible for free school meals. If you are unsure whether your circumstances would qualify for your child/children to have free school meals, you can find out more information by clicking on the following link: [Apply for free school meals](#)

Any outstanding arrears for dinner money must be cleared by Tuesday 19th July please.
Thank you

Holiday Activities and Food Programme

The Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) provides healthy food and enriching activities to children and young people, with free places available for those on free school meals. It's available during the summer, Easter and Christmas school holidays, with the next HAF programmes starting in July 2022.

School holidays can be a particularly difficult time for some families. This free holiday club programme helps children to enjoy active and healthy school holidays, where they can experience new activities, meet friends and eat healthy meals.

This programme will run throughout the summer school holidays so if you think you are eligible and are interested, please check out the following link: [Holiday activities and food programme](#)

Shenstone Tennis Club

Please see the attached flyer for children's tennis camps being held at Shenstone Tennis Club this summer.

Covid Vaccinations for 5-15 year olds

Please see the attached information received from the NHS Covid Vaccination Programme Team.

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ATLP Student Awards

On Thursday 30th June, pupils from across our family of ATLP Schools came together at Drayton Manor Park to take part in the ATLP Student Awards 2022. This is an event that recognises and celebrates children's achievements across the partnership.

There were several categories which children were nominated for and the winners from Greysbrooke were:

Special Endeavour: Austin (Y5)

Community: Jess & Ava (Y6)

Extra-Curricular: George (Y6)

Contribution to School Life: Alice (Y6)

Charity Fundraiser: Ted (Y5)

Creativity: Ollie (Y4)

Children plus 1 special guest, were treated to an awards ceremony hosted in the Drayton Manor Suite, lunch and entrance to the park.



It was a fabulous day celebrating our wonderful children across the MAT; we were incredibly proud to have such worthy winners from Greysbrooke! Well done and congratulations to you all!

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ActivAll

We were delighted to have a new piece of sports equipment installed on the KS2 playground earlier this month.

ActivAll is an interactive wall mounted device which enables children to be physically active whilst developing teamwork and competition skills. It can be used during break/lunchtimes and during PE sessions.

It's early days but the pupil feedback so far has been fabulous...

"It's awesome"

"There's always a big queue because it's really fun and popular"

"It's really good"

"It's a good game to play against your mates"

"It would be great if there was a leader board!"



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Shenstone Village Festival

A big thanks to FROGS for organising some fundraising events at the Glebe during the recent village festival. Despite the rain, it was a good turn out and a good amount of money was raised for the school. Thanks to everyone who attended and contributed to the event.



Special thanks also go to Darcy, Rosa and Hettie who decided to stand on their driveway and sing to people as they walked by. They made £12.07 and donated it all to FROGS. Thanks girls, this gesture is incredibly kind and selfless and made us feel really proud of you all.



Jubilee Books for all

The Department for Education has commissioned a commemorative book 'Queen Elizabeth: A Platinum Jubilee Celebration' as a gift to all children in state-funded primary school education in the UK. The book explains what the Platinum Jubilee is and why it is a significant milestone in Her Majesty's reign.



I'm pleased to announce that we have finally taken delivery of these books and children should be coming home with their copy of the book today/early next week before we break up for the summer holiday.

Important Dates



Thursday 21st July: Y6 Leavers Assembly (10.00am)

Thursday 21st July: School closes for the Summer holiday

Monday 5th September: **INSET DAY**

Tuesday 6th September: **INSET DAY**

Wednesday 7th September: School opens to pupils (Y1-Y6)

Friday 8th September: School opens for Reception pupils (part-time)

Tuesday 13th September: Reception pupils (full-time)

Tuesday 13th September: Keyboard lessons commence

Wednesday 14th September: 'Meet the Teacher' drop-in session (3.30-4.30pm)

Thursday 15th September: Guitar lessons commence

Thursday 15th September: Flu Immunisation (Whole School) - Further details to follow

Friday 16th September: Music tuition payment due

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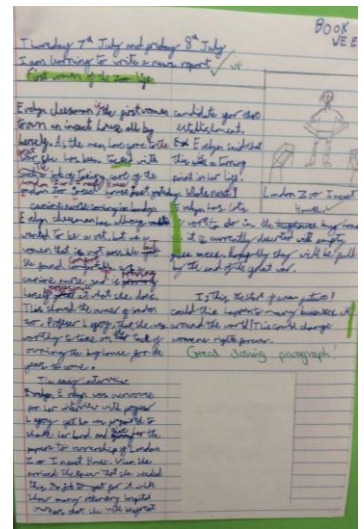
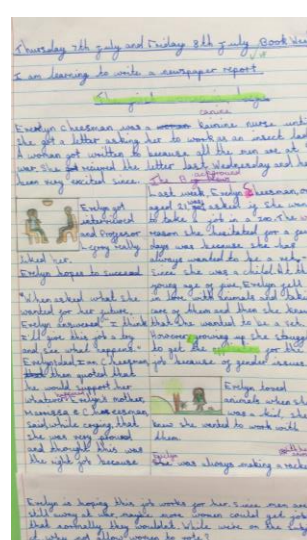
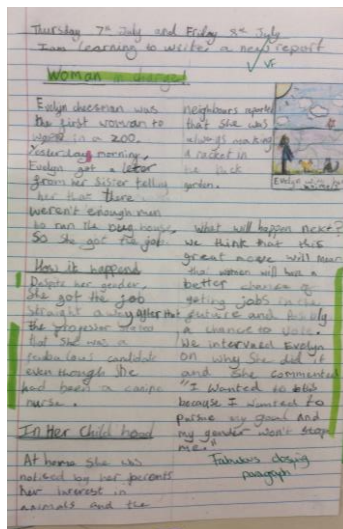
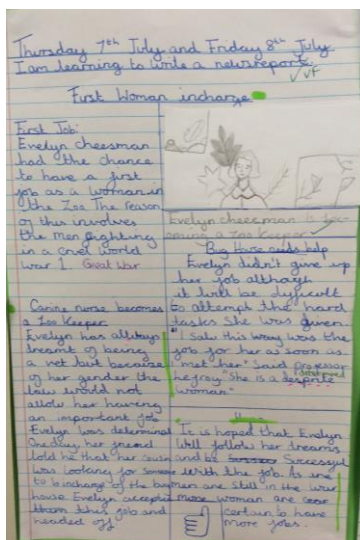
Learning Update

Year 5

We really enjoyed our special book and science-themed week! Lots of effort was made with costumes and our classroom was crawling with bees, ladybirds and flies to name a few. The overall prize was awarded to a particularly well-crafted Stag Beetle.



These are a few of the news reports we wrote about Evelyn Cheesman gaining a position as the first woman to run the Insect House at London Zoo. Not only did we learn all about entomology, but we also found out quite a bit about how the 'Great War' made a difference to women and their opportunities in the workplace.





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During our special week we had a visit from the 'Bug Lady' - whose life reminded us of the main character from our story, 'Evelyn the Adventurous Entomologist.' She shared with us lots of different insects that we could touch and hold. Here we are enjoying our session...Look how brave we are!



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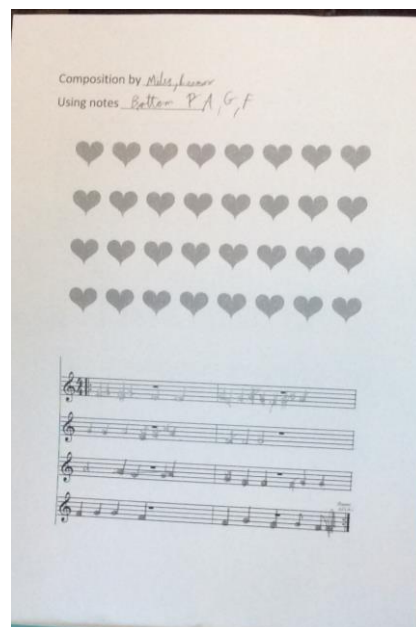
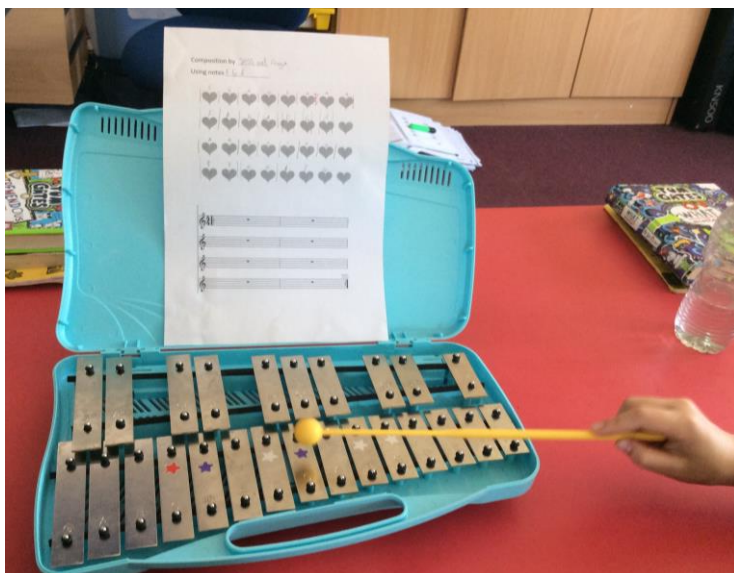


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During our Music lessons we've had a go at composing our own music using standard and non-standard notation on the glockenspiel. Some of us were very good at writing notes using the staff. They all sounded pretty good too!



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Learning Update

Year 6

The last update on a wonderful cohort of Year 6 children. They have been so thoughtful, kind, caring and respectful from when they started in Reception to their final weeks at Greysbrooke. As a cohort, their last full academic year at Greysbrooke was in Year 3, lockdown learning dominated most of their time in Year 4 and Year 5 and then an outbreak of Covid in the class just before Christmas in Year 6 resulted in us once again working from home. Despite this disruption to their Key Stage 2 life, we are delighted to announce that children last week received an outstanding set of SAT's results. We could not be prouder of their dedication, commitment and resilience to work exceptionally hard to catch up. The determination that each and every one of the children demonstrated in both formal tests and also in enhancing their writing was outstanding.

To the end they have shown focus and enthusiasm for art, design and technology projects, sports events and a willingness to support younger pupils within school. Judging the 'We are Chefs' competition was a tough job, but one year group had to do it! Thank you Year 6, for all of your encouragement and helpfulness during sports day this week. Staff at all future secondary schools have contacted us to say how well-mannered and responsive the children were on their transition days - a credit to Greysbrooke! They have enjoyed a well deserved visit to the Red Carpet Theatre on Friday of last week, watching a movie, enjoying a picnic lunch and ice cream and completing a scavenger hunt.



As we enter the final week of primary school life for them, we look forward to getting wet in a staff vs pupils water fight with chip shop tea, signing shirts, sharing memories, laughter, tears and wishing them the very best for their future success. They have all touched the lives of children and staff alike and will leave Greysbrooke with the true respect they deserve.



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Goodbye and Good Luck Year 6, you are a credit to your parents and we wish you all every success for the future.

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