

Message from Miss Anderson

It's been another jam packed week at Rivers. The highlight of which was definitely hosting our American guests on Tuesday from Teach Like A Champion who visited Rivers to look at our expert teachers. As all our visitors are, they were blown away by your brilliant children especially how confident they are at discussing their learning with each other and sharing their knowledge with both their friends and teachers. Moving forwards as teachers lessons will be recorded and shared for other teachers to use to support their own development. A real testament to all the hard work that is put in to make sure that your children are receiving the very best education!

We are already excited about our first week back with a trip for year 2 and forest school sessions for reception children and their parents.

Have a wonderful half term and see you soon.



Our week in early years

Nursery have travelled all the way to Africa this week whilst reading their story 'Little Red and the Hungry Lion'. They have looked at how far Africa is from England. Children have enjoyed learning African dance and listening to African music. Children have also learnt about washing their hands and how to do this properly to wash away all the germs.

Reception have had a very busy week. They have enjoyed reading their final text of this half-term 'Bear Shaped'. Children had a teddy bears picnic and used feelings words to talk about how their favourite bear makes them feel. They worked hard creating lost posters to help Jack find his missing bear. In Forest School, they hunted for bears in the woods and made dens for the bears to live in.

Children have also learnt about Chinese New Year. They wrote their names in Chinese, learnt a Chinese dragon dance and tasted some delicious noodles!

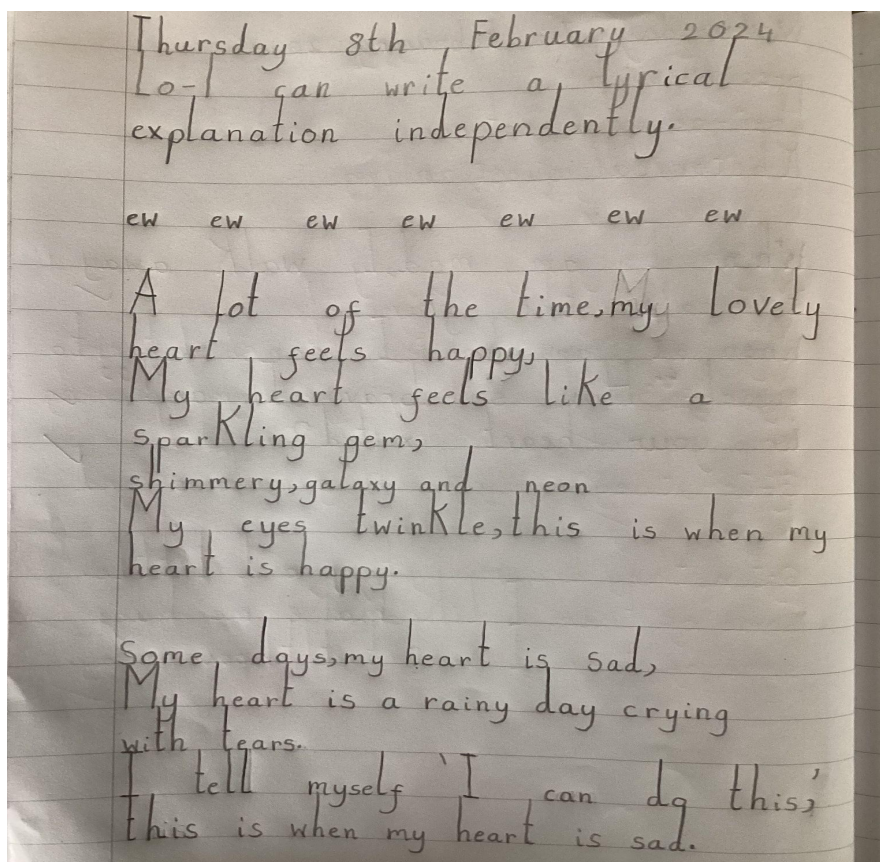


Our week in key stage one

In Year 1 this week, the children have been creative and resilient across a lot of subjects. In Art, the children have explored different materials and textures in sculptures and then used some of those ideas to create their own creativity medals. In Science, children have been investigating different materials and their properties. The children were given the task of creating a house for one of the 3 little pigs and they predicted which would be the strongest/weakest. They had lots of brilliant ideas and worked collaboratively together.

This week Year 2 have continued to be extremely responsible when looking after their chicks. They have made sure they are clean, have food, water and are warm enough. The chicks are getting quite big now and their wing feathers have started to grow in which the children have been able to observe when holding them.

Children in Year 2 have written some amazing poems independently- all about how their heart feels with some fantastic vocabulary.

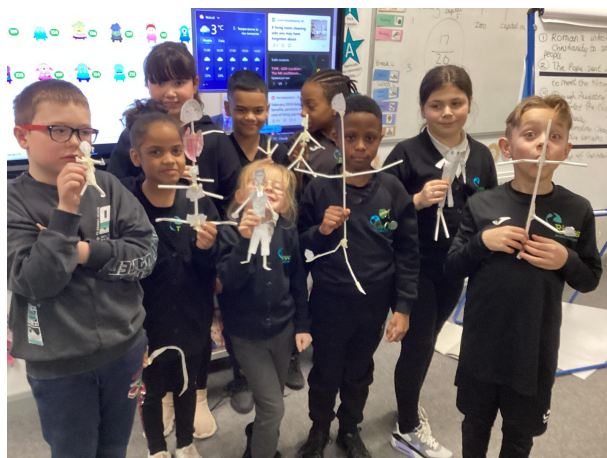
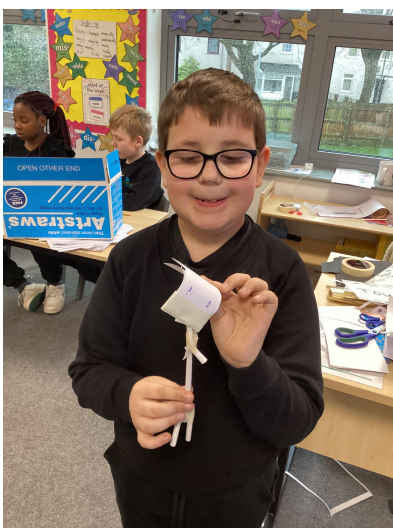


Our week in lower key stage 2

It's been a very busy week in LKS2 this week!

Year 3 have been inspired by Quentin Blake's illustrations. The children have been developing drawing skills, exploring how we might use exaggeration as a tool to help us convey the intention of our drawing. Take a look at some of the straight line drawings of one of our very own Year 3 models.

Year 4 have also had a very creative week this week! They have been challenged to make a sculpture, using only art straws and masking tape of someone they aspire to be when they are older.




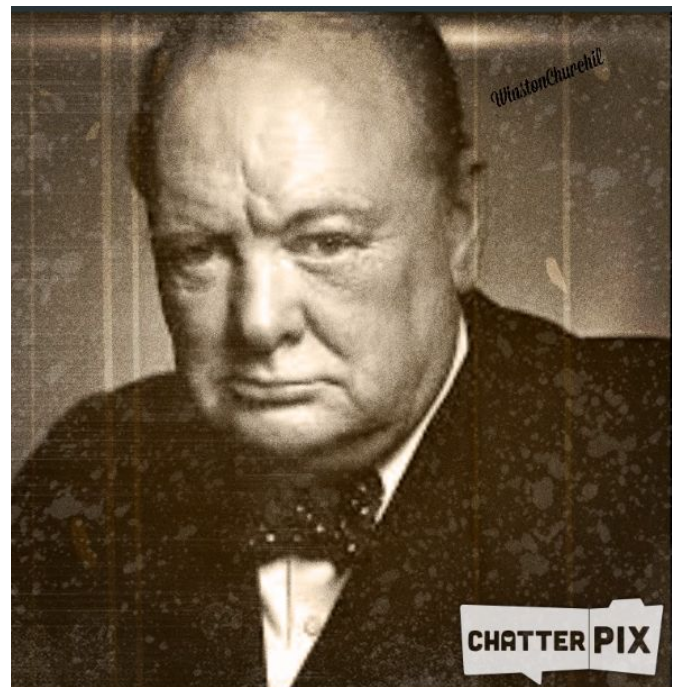
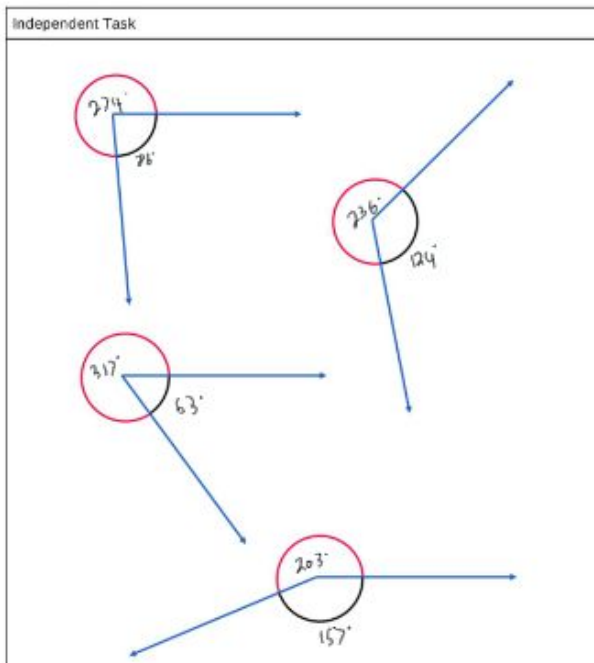
Our week in upper key stage 2

UKS2 have been very resilient in their learning this week, covering some difficult concepts!

Year 5 have been busy learning about angles in their maths lessons. They have been measuring and constructing different types of angles. In their computing lessons they have been learning how to use Keynote to create animations and export them as a movie!

Year 6 have also been creative in their computing lessons, learning how to add multimedia functions into Keynote including photos, voice notes and animations! They have enjoyed using ChatterPix in history to become Winston Churchill.

	Date	6.2.24
	LO	I know that angles at a point are equal to 360°



Attendance

Golden Classes:

This Term's Attendance Reward

For children with attendance of 97% or better (no more than 5 days of absence)



Pastoral



P.O.P.
POSITIVE OUTCOMES
PROJECT

FAMILY FUN DAY
12TH FEBRUARY 2024 10AM-2.30PM

Arts, Crafts, Pool, Table Tennis, Games, Computer games and more.
Free Palace play session for families 0-11yrs

Free water bottle, 1st 200 registrations!

Come and meet our new Youth team.
Community support from Walsall Connected Team.

Contact Grace on 07944 965640
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Palace Play Shop Eat, Blakenall Row, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 1LW

Mrs Kaur (Assistant Headteacher - Student Services)
Mr Tuck (Pastoral Lead & Designated Safeguarding Lead)

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Childline 0800 1111



Family Bulletin

9 February 2024

This Week/Next Week

This Week	
Monday 19 February	
Tuesday 20 February	1415: Ganges Forest School Parent/Carer Session
Wednesday 21 February	1415: Nile Forest School Parent/Carer Session
Thursday 22 February	0900: Y2 Trip to West Midlands Safari Park
Friday 23 February	0900: Celebration Assembly invite only

Next Week	
Monday 26 February	
Tuesday 27 February	1415: Avon Forest School Parent/Carer Session
Wednesday 28 February	1415: Trent Forest School Parent/Carer Session
Thursday 29 February	
Friday 1 March	0900: Celebration Assembly invite only

PE Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2 Year 3	Nursery Year 1 Year 5 Year 6	Year 1 Year 4 Year 6	Year 4	Reception Year 2 Year 3 Year 5

