

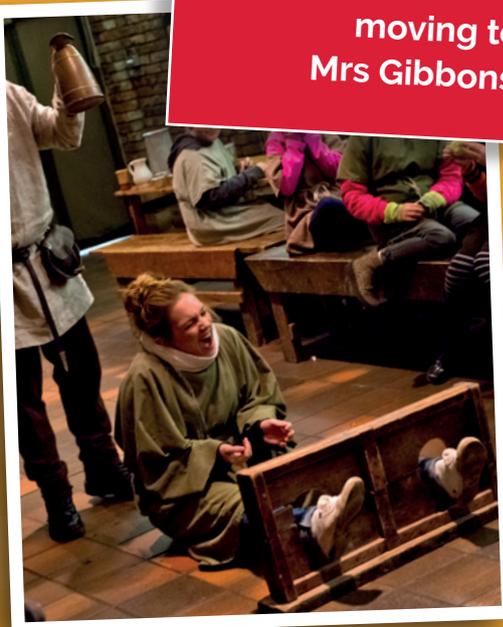
# Southdale Sparkle

4 December 2020

## HAPPY MEMORIES!

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Miss Townend at the end of this term. Miss Townend is moving to France to start a new life with her family. Mrs Gibbons will continue to teach full time in this class.

*"As I sit and reflect on the 7 years at Southdale, I take away nothing but happy memories. Whilst I am excited about my new life in France, there will always be a piece of me at Southdale"*



## AN AMAZING DISCOVERY!

In our narrative this week, the London Zoo Reptile Team prepared to say goodbye to the incredible landscape of Galapagos. Just before we were due to leave, however, we made an amazing discovery. By chance, we have discovered a new species of iguana living on the remote volcanic islands. We have absolutely loved drawing and labelling the special features of our discovery. There is huge interest in this incredible find, so we will be starting to plan and draft an information leaflet to inform the world of these exceptionally unique iguanas.

In PE, we have continued with our hockey skills. This week, we started to practise some tackling skills. All the children showed a fantastic understanding of the importance to tackle the ball rather than the stick and we were able to play some mini-games to consolidate all the skills we have learnt so far. Our PE coach commended Year 3 for their respect and sportsmanship towards each other.

In other news, we have been enjoying our **French** lessons with Mrs Gibbons. We are learning how to pronounce the names of a variety of healthy and unhealthy foods using our French phonic sounds. We finished the lesson with a song which required us to listen carefully in order to hold up the correct picture of the food they were singing about.



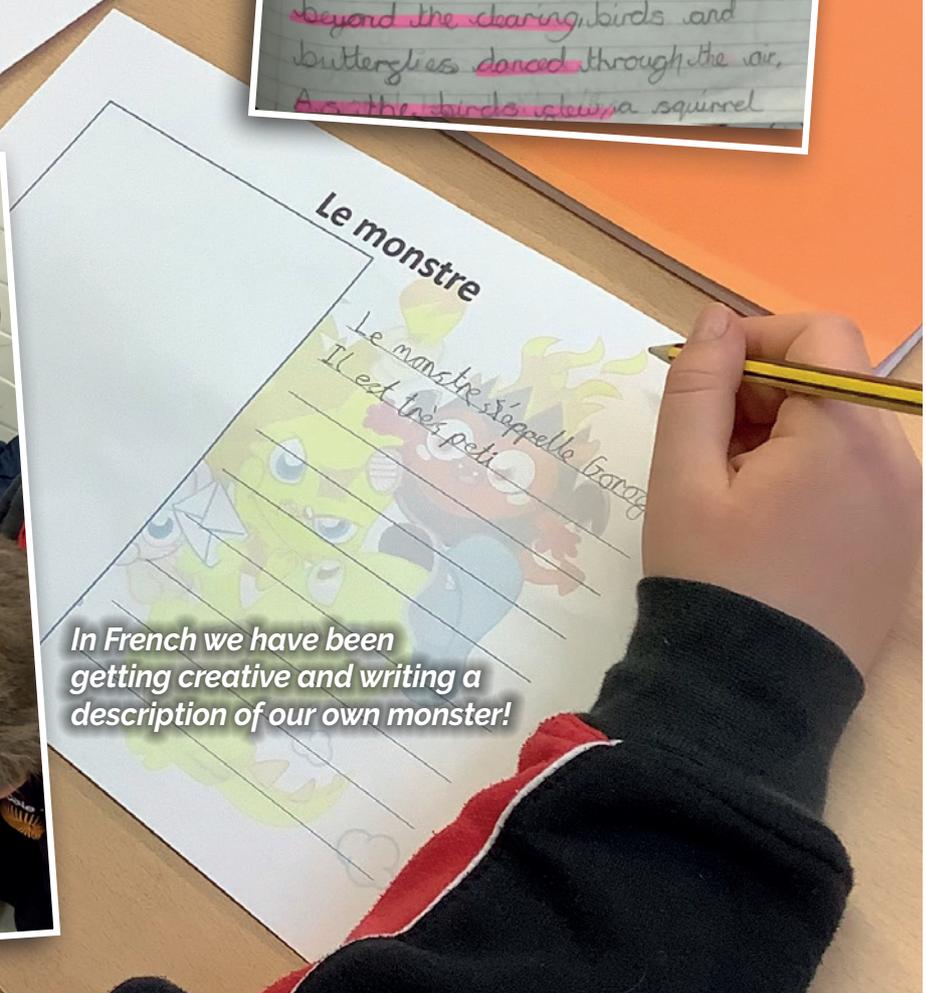
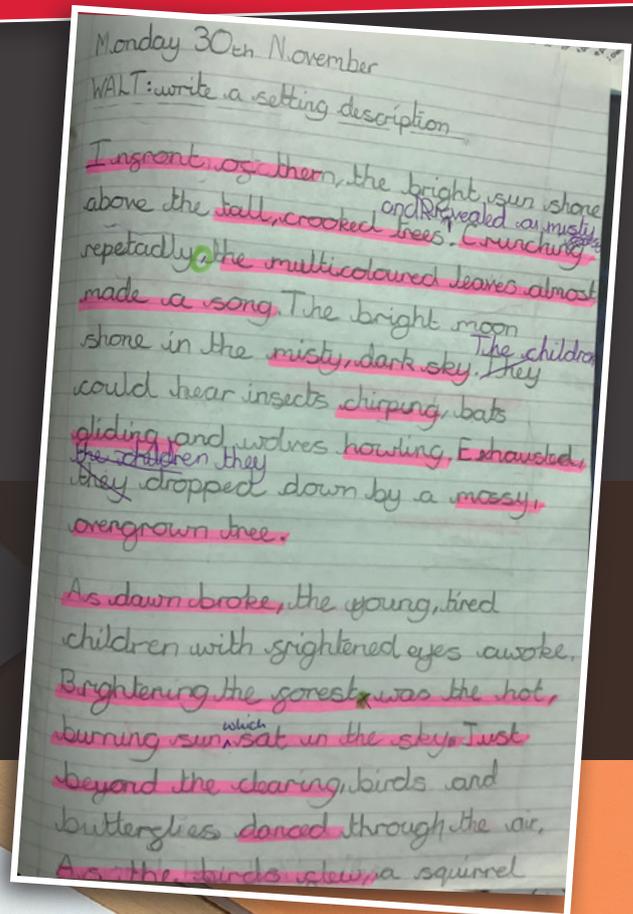
# THE GINGERBREAD COTTAGE!

This week, in our role as a search and rescue team, we have been writing a detailed description of the amazing gingerbread cottage that we saw when we observed the missing children through the magic mirror.

Following on from our 1 kilometre walk into Ossett last week, we have been continuing to work on equivalent lengths in our Maths lessons. We have also been practising multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100.

We have also been investigating food chains in Science.

In RE, we have been learning about how different religions pray.



In French we have been getting creative and writing a description of our own monster!

# POLLUTION!

In our narrative this week, we received a disturbing letter warning us about the damage of human pollution. We saw for ourselves the effects that pollution could have on our beloved Land of Neverbelieve. The message, which was from 100 years in the future, inspired us to take action. We decided to write a description of what would become of the Land of Neverbelieve in the hope that people will start acting more responsibly. We have studied quality texts; unpicked the features and have started to our next outcome.

In maths, we extended our work on fractions and applied our understanding to some very tricky reasoning and problem-solving questions.



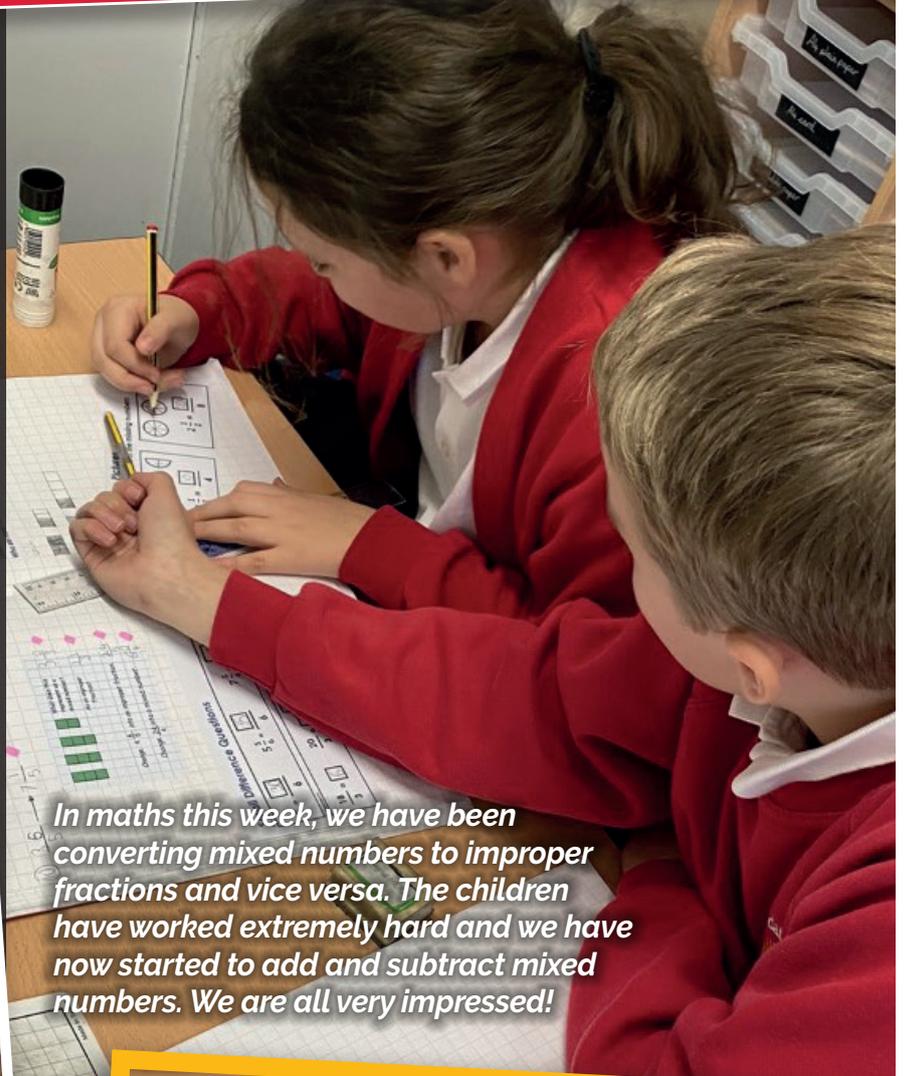
*In art this week, we have worked on our sketching techniques and looked closely at some of John Dyer's jungle pieces. We cannot wait to share our final artwork.*



*In P.E, we continued to develop our hockey skills. This week, we learnt how to defend effectively.*

# AN INTRIGUING ARTIST!

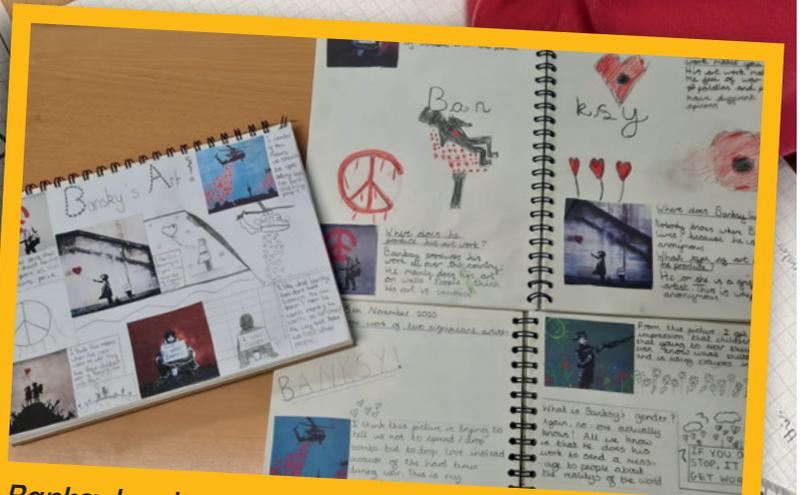
Following our excellent research from last week, we have written our Wilfred Owen biographies. Our biographies explore the deeply interesting life of Wilfred Owen, focusing on his early life, poetic endeavours and his army career. Over the next few days, we will be editing our work and are very excited to start publishing!



In maths this week, we have been converting mixed numbers to improper fractions and vice versa. The children have worked extremely hard and we have now started to add and subtract mixed numbers. We are all very impressed!



This week in **spelling**, we have looked at words ending in 'ence'. Some example of these words are: *dependence, evidence, competence, absence, obedience, patience and silence.*



Banksy has been our focus for this week. We began creating mood boards to further our understanding of his work. We looked at his graffiti style and the themes he uses in his work. We also discovered that he is anonymous and keeps his identity a secret!

# Supporting your child at home this week

## YEAR 3 THIS WEEK

**Reading:** Please read with your child at home and ensure that they are *reading for at least 20 minutes a day*.

**Maths:** Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app **TT Rock Stars**. In year 3, your children needs to know their **3, 4 and 8 times tables**.

In Maths this week, we have been consolidating our multiplication and division facts for the 3 times table and starting to practise multiplying by 4.

### The 3 times table Consolidation.

<https://vimeo.com/476319270>

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Y3-Autumn-Block-3-WO4-The-3-times-table-2019.pdf>

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### Multiply by 4

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**Narrative:** We are continuing with the theme of **conservation** and we will be linking this to our new iguana discoveries. We have also been discussing ways that the animals of Galapagos have **adapted to survive** in the most hostile environment found on this planet.

## YEAR 4 THIS WEEK

We have started out **maths** and **reading** Christmas advent challenges. Remember these need to be completed everyday and will help us consolidate our learning.

Please see **Microsoft Teams** for our spelling and maths homework.

# Supporting your child at home this week

## YEAR 5 THIS WEEK

We have started out **maths** and **reading** Christmas advent challenges. Remember these need to be completed everyday and will help us consolidate our learning.

Please see **Microsoft Teams** for our spelling and maths homework.

## YEAR 6 THIS WEEK

We are super excited by our reading and maths advent challenges - remember doing one each day helps your brain remember more.

**Reading** - Encouraging your child to *read for twenty minutes every day* is one of the most important things you can do to support their education..

**Maths** - This week we have been **converting mixed numbers to improper fractions**. Below are the links to find an accompanying video, printable homework sheet and printable answer sheet. Paper copies will be available in classrooms if you wish your child to collect one.

### Accompanying videos:

<https://vimeo.com/467394996>

<https://vimeo.com/468942374>

### Homework sheets:

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Y5-Spring-Block-2-WO3-Mixed-numbers-to-improper-fractions-2019.pdf>

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Y5-Spring-Block-2-WO2-Improper-to-mixed-numbers-2019.pdf>

### Answer sheets:

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Y5-Spring-Block-2-ANS2-Improper-to-mixed-numbers-2019.pdf>

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Y5-Spring-Block-2-ANS3-Mixed-numbers-to-improper-fractions-2019.pdf>

**Narrative** - Reflect on all of the themes in our narrative (**peace, war and remembrance**). Talk to your child about these themes and what they have learnt about them during our narrative.

# Achievements



## Head teachers Award

**Kieran P**

For striving to be the best that you can be and making such an effort to improve your handwriting!

## Special Mentions

3LH	<b>Georgie-Mae C</b>	For a super letter- you persevered. Well done!
3LS	<b>Ava Wood</b>	For listening to every bit of advice and working hard to be the best she can be.
3SG	<b>Ethan MT</b>	For his fantastic attitude to learning and enthusiasm in lessons. Well done.
4EB	<b>Finlay H</b>	For an outstanding week. He has tried his best in all of his subject and has shown the Southdale Sparkle.
4GT	<b>Martha R</b>	For a fantastic attitude towards her learning, always striving for excellence.
4RR	<b>Mollie-Sue D</b>	For producing a piece of writing which was simply a pleasure to read!
5AM	<b>Oliver R</b>	For always having an outstanding attitude to learning. You are a fantastic role model Oliver, well done.
5EZ	<b>Elliot B</b>	For being a superstar and putting 100% effort into everything he does. Well done
5FD	<b>Morgan D</b>	For always trying her best particularly in Maths this week. Well done!
6KD	<b>Sky K</b>	Sky is an outstanding role model who always gives 100% in her work!
6MF	<b>Samuel H</b>	For being an exemplary role model to his classmates and an exceptional attitude to his learning!
6ZR	<b>Grace O</b>	For a brilliant piece of writing – you've worked hard to edit your biography to make it the best it can be!

### TT ROCKSTARS

#### Most improved

<b>1</b>	<b>Emily S</b>	<b>4EB</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Bobby S</b>	<b>6ZR</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Lucy B</b>	<b>5EZ</b>

### TT ROCKSTARS

#### Most answered

<b>1</b>	<b>Olivia AR</b>	<b>5AM</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Amelia S</b>	<b>4GT</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Kobe W</b>	<b>5EZ</b>

# Term dates 2020-21

## Autumn Term 2020

<b>Monday 7 September</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Tuesday 8 September</b>	School opens
<b>Thursday 22 October</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Friday 23 October</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Monday 2 November</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 18 December</b>	School closed for the Christmas Holidays

## Spring Term 2021

<b>Monday 4 January</b>	School opens
<b>Thursday 11 February</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Friday 12 February</b>	<b>CHANGE OF INSET DAY (no election day on 6th May)</b>
<b>Monday 22 February</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 26 March</b>	School closes for Easter Holidays

## Summer Term 2021

<b>Monday 12 April</b>	School opens
<b>Monday 3 May</b>	BANK HOLIDAY
<b>Thursday 27 May</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Friday 28 May</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Monday 7 June</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 23 July</b>	School closes for Summer Holidays
<b>Monday 26 July</b>	INSET DAY

# After-school Clubs

## SPRING 1 (January - February 2021)

Day	Year Group	Activity	Provider	Cost	Dates
Mon	Year 4	<b>Gymnastics</b>	PE Teacher	6 sessions @£3 per session, £18 in total Max 15 places	4 January 11 January 18 January 25 January 1 February 8 February
Mon	Year 6	<b>Cooking</b>	Mrs Burrill	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 15 places	
Mon	Year 3	<b>Bird watching</b>	Mr Smithson	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 8 places	
Tue	Year 4 Boys & Girls	<b>Netball/ Basketball</b>	PE Teacher	6 sessions @£3 per session, £18 in total Max 15 places	5 January 12 January 19 January 26 January 2 February 9 February
Tue	Year 5	<b>Outdoor Survival Skills</b>	Miss Stott	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 15 places	
Tue	Year 3	<b>Cooking</b>	Mrs Smith	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 15 places	
Tue	Year 5	<b>Bird watching</b>	Mr Smithson	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 8 places	

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Wed	Year 3 Boys & Girls	<b>Football</b>	PE Teacher	6 sessions @£3 per session, £18 in total Max 15 places	6 January 13 January 20 January 27 January 3 February 10 February
Wed	Year 4	<b>Cooking</b>	Miss Woolley	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 15 places	
Wed	Year 6	<b>Bird watching</b>	Mr Smithson	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 8 places	
Thur	Year 5 Boys & Girls	<b>Football</b>	PE Teacher	6 sessions @£3 per session, £18 in total Max 15 places	7 January 14 January 21 January 28 January 4 February 11 February
Thur	Year 6	<b>Mad Art Class</b>	Miss Mallas	6 sessions @£3.50 per session, £21 in total Max 8 places	
Fri	Year 6 Boys & Girls	<b>Netball/ Basketball</b>	PE Teacher	5 sessions @£3 per session, £15 in total Max 15 places	8 January 15 January 22 January 29 January 5 February
Fri	Year 5	<b>Cooking</b>	Miss Woolley	5 sessions @£3.50 per session, £17.50 in total Max 15 places	
Fri	Year 4	<b>Bird watching</b>	Mr Smithson	5 sessions @£3.50 per session, £17.50 in total Max 8 places	

# Safeguarding



**Mrs K Partington**

Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs R Mohebi**

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs R Randall**

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Miss R Mallas**

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



**Mr V Foster**

Safeguarding Governor



**Southdale**

C of E Junior school

*Shining like stars in the universe*