



Autumn 2 2024

Where has the term gone? In fact, this time, I am going to say where have the past 5 years and 2 terms gone since I started here as Green Wrythe's Headteacher?

The journey continues and what a lot there is to celebrate this year. Your children have been so busy as you can see for yourselves from all the photos we have shared on social media, Dojo and our newsletters. Don't forget next year - Green Wrythe will be 90 years old so please look out for news of planned celebrations next term.

Once again our sports teams have had great success! The football team has had many wins narrowly missing out on a final in their recent tournament - Mr Pickett and Mr Holland are very proud of you all! There has to be a special mention for my netball club, which is my favourite hour of the week! This season the team has won 3 out of the 4 matches playing with some style, coming second in the league!

The new term will bring more changes to the facilities in our Rainbow department as the new climbing frame is being assembled over the Christmas holidays. I have requested more funds for improvements of our facilities so I am sure that Mrs De Sampayo (our new headteacher) will share the news of hopefully more successful bids next term.

To date, our school has had more than a million pounds worth of investment, which has made such a difference to all our children. From our Early Years playground equipment; Rainbow playground equipment including trampolines and new surfaces; our trim trail, sensory garden and plant world, sun canopies, gym equipment in the sports hall; new soft play and sensory rooms and total refurbishment of all the Rainbow classrooms as well as a new music room and IT suite! Our school looks fabulous!

Once again the Christmas performances have impressed - these performances are precious memories so thank you for sharing them with us! They were extra special to me this year so thank you everyone 😊

Congratulations to this term's Head teacher Award winners, with whom I have had the pleasure of sharing lunch with during the last half term and this term. It is always a pleasure to share a meal with children - never a dull moment! Congratulations to: Brody and Jasmine; Ilana and Odysseas; Vaani and Reggie; Lily and Amy; Safyan and Indie; Benas and Deano; Bella and Amelia.

It has been a wonderful ride and it has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to be the captain of the 'Good Ship Green Wrythe'! I believe our little school is truly an amazing place. A heartfelt thank you for all your support. I know that everyone will support our new headteacher Mrs De Sampayo as the school embarks on its next chapter.



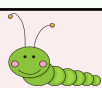
I love Green Wrythe and I am going to miss you all. Thank you everyone for the laughter, (some tears) but mostly the joy of being the Headteacher of this outstanding school. My catchphrase is 'Onwards and Upwards' so keep driving forward together and continue to grow as a school and community of learners. Thank you again to my wonderful pupils, my dedicated staff, governors and parents for working with me to make our little place in the world - Green Wrythe - a very special place indeed.

Keep smiling, sharing and working together as we celebrate 90 years of amazing education at our community school - Green Wrythe.

Goodbye

Mrs Jones





Caterpillars have been very busy learning lots of new things - They can now recite lots of nursery rhymes, they can tap out syllables in words with the claves and they can listen out for sounds in the environment. They have been busy learning how to count and can find 2 and 3 things in a group of objects - they are very proud of themselves. They made Christmas decorations



from cups - they

decorated them and then they went in the oven for 30 secs! WOW look what happened to them. They have also enjoyed learning all the songs for their Nativity Play and they hope that you enjoyed

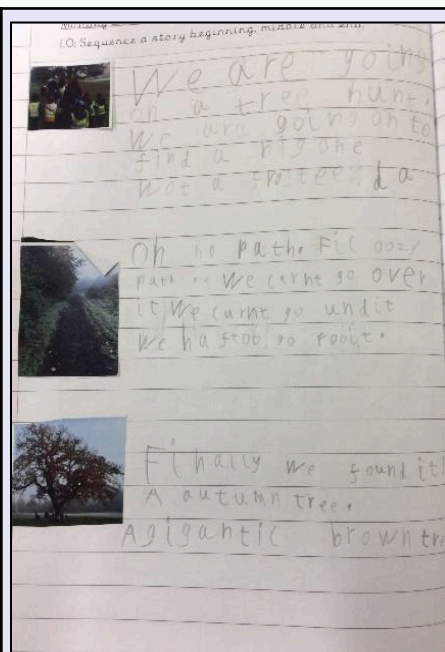
watching it!



Butterflies have had a very busy half term! They have been learning all about the nativity and even had the chance to put on their own Twinkl Nativity! They have been exploring different ways to write at school. This has been through postcards, invitations, shopping lists and lots more! They



have had fun exploring their outside areas and all the amazing things they have out there. Lastly, the making area has been extremely busy with people making amazing Christmas crafts! The children in the photo explained to me that they were making a masterpiece! They are looking forward to more masterpieces being made in the New Year!



Crocodile class have adventured out on their first trip to hunt for the gigantic autumn tree. We

found it and wrote a story using time adverbials, verbs, and adjectives which are amazing. In Science we have been exploring animals such as fish, birds', mammals and

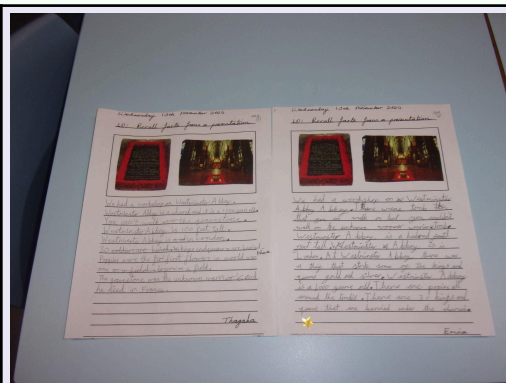


amphibians. Within maths we have been focusing on number bonds to 10 and 20, using addition and subtraction. History has been exciting as we have learnt how to use a time line and place events in chronological order. Crocodiles would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and enjoy the holidays with family.





Pandas have had a fabulous term. They kicked off with a trip to the Tower of London which provided them with an introduction to The Great Fire of London; after looking at artefacts, they have considered who was to blame. Perfect Pandas have also had an opportunity to be bakers like Thomas Farrinor and made fork biscuits. Yum!



Year 3 have been learning all about the Arctic this term. They carried out their own research on animals that live there and compared facts about the Arctic and Antarctic. They attended a very interesting virtual workshop about the tomb of the unknown soldier in Westminster Abbey and recorded lots of interesting facts.

In English they have read The Ice Palace and used the story



to write about their own journey through an icy land. Their Elf has been getting up to all sorts of mischief, and they spent a lot of time rehearsing hard for their Christmas performance.

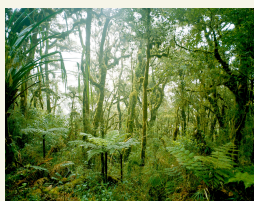


This half term, Year 4 have learnt a lot of new skills. In science they've been developing their vocabulary and even planning and carrying out experiments. In Geography they've been learning about mountains, volcanoes and maps. In English they've mastered how to use inverted commas and incorporated them fantastically into some beautiful fantasy stories. All that whilst rehearsing their Christmas performance and being terrorised by a particularly naughty elf. Mr Jinks is certainly looking forward to the break and he's sure most of the children are too!





Year 5 have had a fantastic half-term, learning all about the rainforest - the children have been absolutely fascinated by this topic! On their trip to Kew Gardens, the children impressed the staff with all the facts they had remembered about rainforests around the world, which they have since published in some fabulous writing!



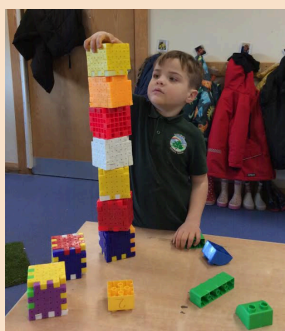
Year 6 have been busy this term practising for their last Christmas performance. They have enjoyed learning about Antarctica and hope to visit there one day! They also joined the British Antarctic experience which gave them more of an insight of what they had been learning in class.



Red class have loved learning about Christmas through play. They have decorated Christmas biscuits, explored colours with stars, wearing halos, enjoying Santa's snow scene play, their sensory story, making Christmas music and loving interactive toys.



Orange class have tower and knocking words and exploring



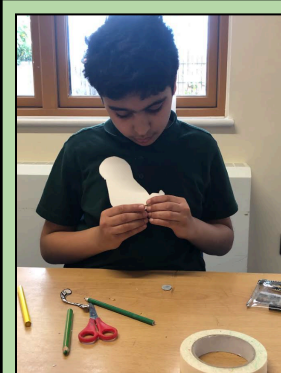
been exploring shapes in Maths it down! They have been their topic "Celebrations"



and practicing building a learning different action (birthdays and Christmas!)

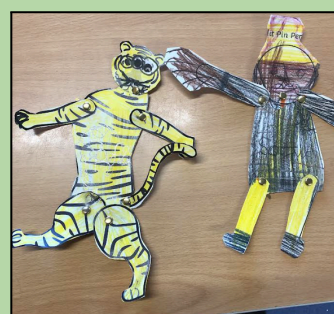


In Violet class they have been very busy! They enjoyed doing lots of different activities for Black History Month, listening to stories, carrying a basket on their head, dancing and listening to songs, going to a special Assembly with Miss Boafo and playing African drums by taking it in turns to play a pattern. They were playing fast and slow and watched their friends playing too and copied their pattern. Well done everyone! 🥳🥳👏👏👏👏👏👏



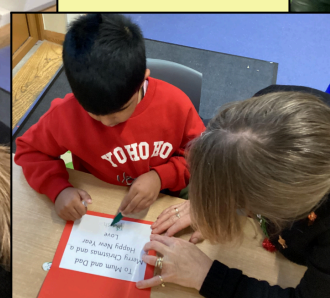
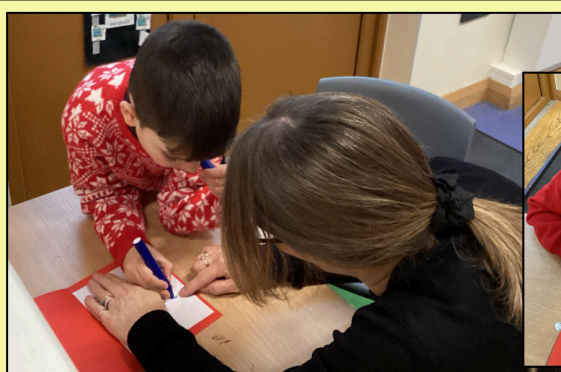
Green Class have enjoyed their topic Pantomime this half term, they have been reading and watching lots of traditional pantomime stories.

They have been making puppets in their creative sessions and then took turns to use their puppets to perform short shows, whilst also working on their technology skills to film each other. In December they have had lots of fun learning about



Christmas and making some wonderful creations!

This term yellow class have been very creative. They have had lots of fun enjoying their celebrations and have done lots of Christmas activities that were enjoyed by all!





Silver Class has had a lovely term. They really enjoyed going swimming and the children especially loved splashing their friends and the teachers! They also enjoyed eating their Christmas dinner together in front of a cosy fire.



Orange have been exploring shapes in Maths and practicing building a tower and knocking it down! They have also been learning different actions words and exploring their topic Celebrations (birthdays and Christmas!)

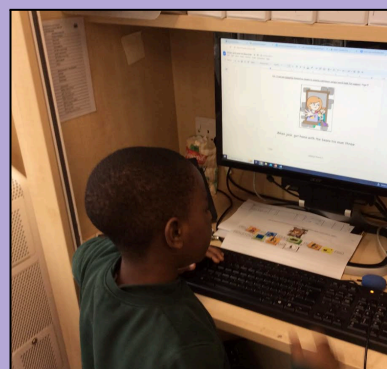
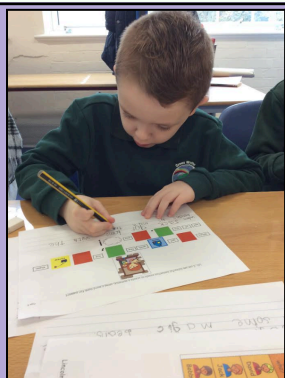


Gold Class have had so much fun celebrating the Christmas season! Christmas jumper day was the perfect opportunity to take a class selfie.

They hope you all have the best Christmas and New Year!



This half term the Indigo class topic was 'Pantomime' so they have been busy creating lots of crafts and writing and typing their own version of the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk.'



There is a new dinner menu for the spring term which has been emailed to you or you can click the link:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wV3NsOo6gf6XnbedMnRNwksA-V5OVX9A/edit#slide=id.p1>

Please remember to select your child's dinner choice in advance on MCAS.





Little Doves



Starting on Friday 17th January

Mrs Hardie is pleased to announce the start of our new **FREE** preschool singing and rhyme time sessions.

Join her with your little ones on Fridays at 1.45pm for half an hour of songs and rhymes for you and your child to enjoy together.

For children from birth to 3.

On behalf of the staff and children of Green Wrythe, we would all like to wish Mrs Jones the very best of luck in her future endeavors. During her time at our school she has made many positive changes which will leave a lasting impression on us.





Have a wonderful Christmas break, and we will see the children back at school on Monday 6th January!