

Class 2 – Parent Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 2023

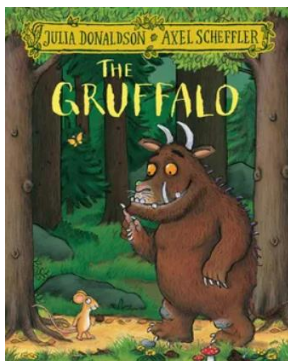
We hope you enjoy reading about some of our favourite bits from our 'Enchanted Woodland' topic.

WOW!

We started our 'Enchanted Woodland' topic with a trip to the woods. We spent time exploring the woodland area where we found many magical and enchanted sights – fairy doors, mystery houses, glittering pixie dust and more. We also completed an 'I Spy' trail and created an outfit for an elf using the nature from the wood.



Our Class Book



We have enjoyed sharing the story of 'The Gruffalo' in class.

We have used it as a stimulus for much of our writing this half term, including writing our own versions!

Wonderful Writing

We have been super impressed with the amazing writing over the last few weeks. We have written instructions for planting a bulb, fact files for our focus artist, Andy Goldsworthy, character descriptions of the Gruffalo and our very own versions of the Gruffalo story.

We have worked on adding detail to our writing by using exciting adjectives and description.

PE

This half term in PE we have been looking at 'Athletics'. We have challenged ourselves to improve our jumping, sprinting and throwing skills by looking at the techniques involved. With Ignite we have been practising our football skills.



Computing

In our Computing sessions, we have been looking at what IT is and how we use IT in our daily lives both at school and at home. We have talked about the rules that we have for using IT at home and that we have rules to keep us safe.



Science

We have learnt about the life cycle of a plant and we can talk about the stages of plants growth from seed or bulb, to a mature plant. We looked at seeds in different fruits and particularly enjoyed eating some of the fruits!



We carried out an investigation to find out what a plant needs to grow and to be healthy, i.e. water, light and a suitable temperature.

Art and DT

Much of our topic work this half term has happened outside, which has been lovely.

We made boggarts at the community gardens ...



... produced art in the style of Andy Goldsworthy...



... and even designed and made home for animals on the school field.

Life Skills

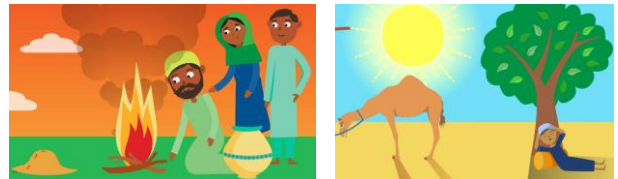
We have been thinking about what makes us special and how we are all unique.



Also we thought about big feelings and how we can help change our mood when they don't feel good. We know that we might need help with managing our feelings and that it is important to ask for help if we need it.

RE

Our RE lessons have focussed on Muslims, who follow the Islamic religion, and how they follow the examples of the Prophet Muhammad. We listened to some of the stories Muhammad told and thought about the meaning of them.



Finale!

What an amazing end to our topic we had! We visited the wonderful Northwood Trail and enjoyed an enchanted walk through the great outdoors.



Homework Projects

Thank you to all of you for supporting your child with their Homework this half term. You could see how proud they were of their pieces and we loved sharing them with each other and Class 1.



Worship

This half term our worship theme has been 'Forgiveness'.



Thank you to all the children for making our first half term in Year 2 such an enjoyable one. We wish you all a happy, restful half term and look forward to starting our new exciting topic when we return.

Miss Guest and Mrs Evans