

# Class 5 – Parent Newsletter

## Autumn 2 - 2020

This term we have been working on the topic 'Stargazers'. We hope you enjoy looking at all the photos of our learning.

We have been learning all about our solar system and this half term we have had so many enrichment experiences. Firstly, we created pastel space landscapes, then we had a virtual space video conference with a New Zealand astronomer and finally we travelled to space in a rocket through the use of VR Headsets. What a WOW of a half term it has been!

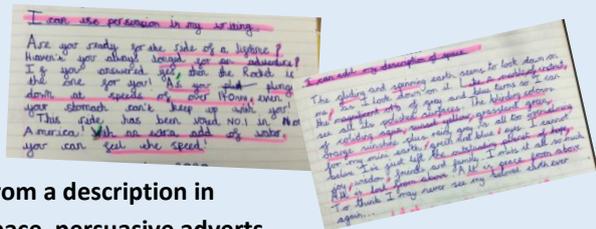


Our class book this half term has been 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell Boyce. It has been unbelievably funny; Cosmic has told the side-splitting story of long-legged Liam and his quest to be the first child in space.

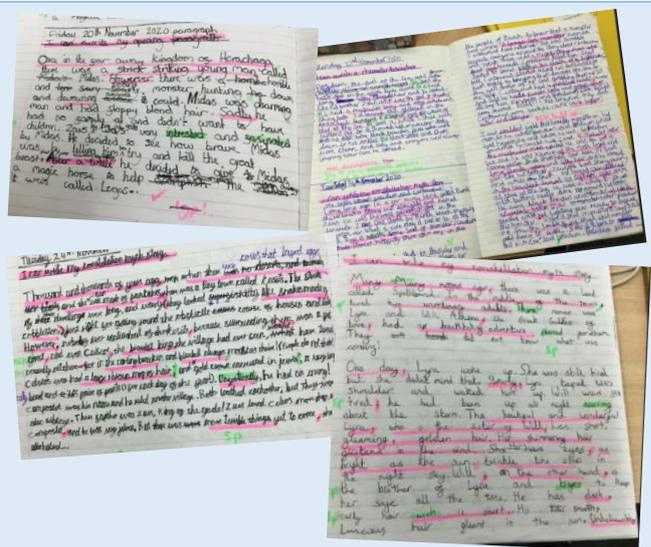
**Comic Book Creations** We designed comic strips as we looked to the stars for our inspiration by planning comic strip constellation stories.

**Reach for the Stars** Our comic book strips provided a plan for our own constellation stories. Heroes were victorious, villains were destroyed and the stars were formed in the night sky.

**Dazzling Descriptions and Persuasive Adverts**



From a description in space, persuasive adverts and, of course, a variety of narratives, we have done so much writing this term.



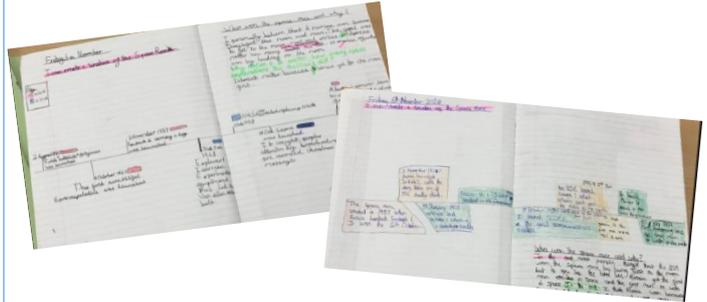
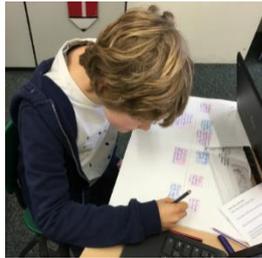
### Animation Masters

We have been using our computer skills to create a scratch programme to show the orbit of the moon and a stop motion animation of an alien encounter.



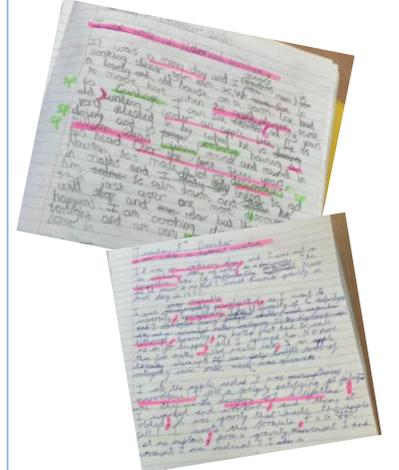
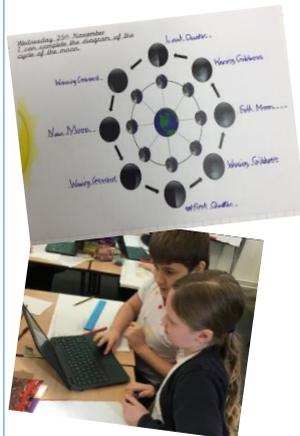
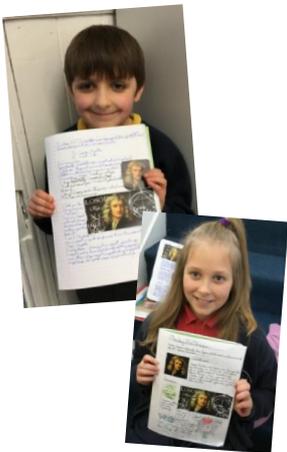
### The Race to Space

The children created a timeline for the main events during the space race. They then had to decide who won, Russia or USA.



### Inspirational Scientists

Our research has led us to discover more about famous scientists of the past. We have learnt about Galileo and Newton. This knowledge has enabled us to create mind maps, fact files and historical narratives. Our topic has also linked well to our Science topic this half term where we have studied space in detail from the phases of the moon, the planets and the comparative sizes of the Earth, Sun and Moon.



**Christmas Crafting and Fun** Christmas is always such a special time of year at St Paul's and this year has not been an exception. The children loved linking their topic to one of their Christmas crafts. Combining their mathematical and artistic skills, the children took to the challenge to create 3d stars.



We want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your constant support, especially during this uncertain time. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas holiday and we will see you in the new year.



Mrs Sanderson and Mrs Adams.