



Pens at the Ready!

Autumn Ideas in Action!

Written by: Mrs Gurd

Autumn 2 has been another exciting and creative half-term for our Student Newsletter Club.

For this second edition, pupils challenged themselves to expand their articles and explore a wider range of topics and writing styles. This issue includes thoughtful film and book reviews, imaginative poetry, and original pieces of creative writing that showcase the pupils' ideas and personalities.

There has also been a stronger focus on geography this half-term, with pupils sharing what they have been learning about the world around us. In addition, several articles link to important days and events we marked during Autumn 2, helping readers to reflect on why these moments matter and what we learned from them.

The club welcomed pupils from Year 1 through to Year 6, who worked either independently or in pairs. Pupils planned their ideas carefully, drafted their writing, and edited their work with pride and determination. The teamwork, effort, and enthusiasm shown throughout the half-term have been fantastic, and it is wonderful to see such a range of voices represented in this edition.

Well done to all of our young writers and reporters - Nancy, Pixie, Isla, Elliott, Jesse, Harry B, Leo, Zack, and Liam— we hope you enjoy reading their brilliant contributions and feel inspired by their hard work and creativity.

Remembrance Day 2025

Written by: Nancy Gould (year 6)

At the start of the half-term, year 6's went to Minster Church of St Mary the Virgin at in the centre of Axminster. We went there to show our respect to the people that died in World War 2 and 1 and to anyone who will die fighting for us in any future wars. We sang some songs and said prayers. Unfortunately, due to the bad weather, we could not plant the little poppies in the ground outside. Instead, some people were picked to go up and place them on the stand. Other students from surrounding schools were present as well and many people from the community came to listen and show their respects as well. It was a very lovely ceremony, even with the less-than-great weather.

Remembrance Day (Continued)

Written by Zackary Bamford (year 4)

Every year, we always honour the people who fought in the war on the 11th day, the 11th month, and the 11th hour with 2 minutes of silence. We also had Peter Slimon came to our school to speak about the war and tell us about the men and women who fought and how they sacrificed themselves to save our country. And with that, the year 6 students went down to the memorial and participated in a ceremony to think about the people who fought in the war.



The Bridge

Written by: Nancy Gould (year 6) and Pixie England (year 6)



In this article, we will be telling all about the Bridge. This is for kids with different necessities and that struggle with focus in school. It also gives us a space in school to help students with life skills.

Activities

From 7:30 to 8:40, Miss P and Mrs Brum are in the Bridge in breakfast club for kids who struggle and well as kids finding it too loud in the Hall. During the day, students earn time in the Bridge by doing their work in class. Teachers will kindly take them to the Bridge to watch calming videos, drawing, talking and playing games. This is also where after school club is held from 3:30 to 5:30 every day.

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Film Review!

Written by: Isla Mear (Year 4) and Elliott Mear (Year 1)

Elliott and I are going to tell you our favourite parts of Angry Birds! I am Isla Mear and my little brother is Elliott Mear.

First, we both really enjoyed this film. We thought it was really funny and it was hard to pick our favourite parts. But, when the red bird flew up with the yellow bird and it never came back... that was my favourite part! Elliott's favourite part was when the red bird flies up in the air and does a dramatic twirl! We both love the little green pigs - they are so funny! We also like the black bird but for different reasons. I like his hair and Elliott likes the white spot on his head.

Written by Isla Mear; ideas and some typing by Elliott Mear.



Anti-Bullying

Written by: Nancy Gould (year 6)

This half-term we celebrated anti-bullying week. We hope that if we inspire and tell people about bullying and hope it will not happen or (even better) stop any bullying completely all the time. The week was full of different activities to celebrate being unique and our differences. We have worn odd (mismatched) socks to show that everyone is different in their own ways. Sometimes people do not understand what bullying is, so the teachers and older years (year 6 and year 5 students) have explained what it during assemblies. We believe our school very rarely had bullying issues and we hope it stays that way! We hope that no one has been bullied or no one will be bullied in the future.

STOP BULLYING!



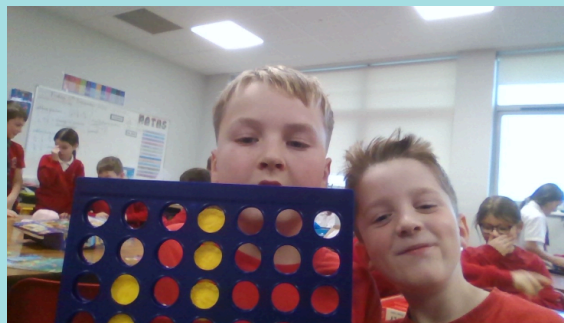
Autumn 2 New Enrichment Clubs

Written by: Harry Boyland (year 4) and Jesse Webb (year 4)

Chess Club- In chess they learn how to play chess run by Mr King. Chess is a really great strategy game that can be hard to learn. They are able to learn on computers, on a website, and also play against each other with real chess boards. There are 32 pieces in a chess game and if you check the king you win. If you are interested in learning how to play chess you can join the club!

Helicopter Stories - In Helicopter Stories with Mrs Reeve, you make lots of cool and fun stories from pictures. Every week you end up with a bunch of different stories and they are added together. It is about sharing ideas and using your imagination. If you like writing creative stories, this would be a great club for you!

Board Game Club - Our last new Enrichment group with is popular is Board Game Club. Here, you play lots of different, fun, cool games (but not Chess). They have Connect 4, Snakes and Ladders, Draughts and much more! It was an excellent club for relaxing and playing with friends and learning different games.



Future Musicians' Concert

Written by Zackary Bamford (year 4) and Leonardo Alturi (year 4)

On the 19th of November Foxes, Badgers and Otters went to Axe Valley School with instruments after working for a month to learn 2 different songs. Foxes class learned recorders - which I, and a couple of other people in class, thought was very fun! Otter's class learned the Boomwackers which looked really interesting to learn. And, finally, Badgers worked on learning the Glockenspiels.

First, when we got to Axe Valley in the morning, we rehearsed the songs all together with other students from other schools who learned the songs on different instruments. Eddie, in Foxes Class said, 'It was amazing and some secondary school students played violin and guitar. Some members of staff played piano and trumpet; even the director of the show used sticks and on something metal to get a beat for the performers!' It was amazing to play the same songs all together for the first time. Then parents came and we did it for real.

The first song we played was called, Tango. It was really good and we did really well. The final song we did Let's Rock, which was harder, but we did it. It was a really fun experience.

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Global Glimpses

Santorini, Greece and Turkey

Written by Liam Chetnik (year 4)



SANTORINI

Santorini is a part of Greece. I went to Santorini during the holiday. And it was really hot at the beach. It was like 35 degrees. It felt like I was sizzling in an oven. I also went to a volcano and I travelled on a cruise ship and went on slides. I really had so much fun! You should go to Santorini because it was really fun and so hot. So, if you like being hot, go to Santorini in Greece!

TURKEY

Turkey is a hot place and it is a nice place to visit. There are a lot of shops in Istanbul. There's toy shops, candy shops and jewellery shops. Turkey is a nice place to go if you like looking around. Also there are landmarks, like towers, and there are lovely waterfalls that you can go to. In Ephesus, an old city in Turkey, but the Romans went and destroyed it. It looked like a big church before it was destroyed.

Below is a picture of where I went. It was so cool!



Gorgeous Germany

Written by: Isla Mear (year 4) and Eilott Mear (year 1)



Germany is a big country. It has lots of buildings, loads of people and is really busy! The capital city of Germany is called Berlin. Did you know that German has two names? The first name is obviously Germany but its other name is: Federal Republic of Germany! Isn't that really long? People speak English but their native and national language is German. Germany has lots of peaceful towns.

You should go to Germany because you can watch their parades in daylight. They have costumes, fun floats to watch and many more! Go to Germany and see the parades, shows and definitely don't miss out on the fun!

The Bridge - continued

Peoples' opinions:

We asked some pupils, here at our school, who go to the bridge about their opinion of the bridge. We asked a year 6 what he thought about it and he said he thought it was 10 out of 10! Some other people answered that they love the support they get from our lovely Mrs Biggins and really appreciate her and really like having the space available. Many students who attend like that there are sofas and comfortable places to sit and relax and that it has lots of games and activities to do.

What are our Bridge rules?:

If you want to get to The Bridge, and you are a part of it, you have to try to behave during the school day. Although, if you have not done your work you have to do it during your assigned Bridge Time. When you have finished you get to play, chill and do all The Bridge activities.

What could be changed about the bridge?

Everyone that goes is pretty satisfied about the standards in the Bridge. There were a few requests for more time in there. Our goal is to make sure everyone knows what The Bridge is and the people that go and why. The Bridge is very good and a great place to go. We hope that we have explained to you what the bridge does.



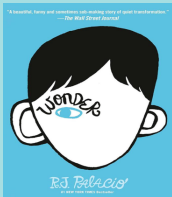


Future Musicians' Concert - continued



Book Review!

Written by Leonardo Alturi (year 4)



In Foxes' class we have been reading an extra class novel every half-term. The most recent Novel we finished is called Wonder. Our class really enjoyed listening to the story. We have also figured out it is a film now on Netflix. We are hoping to watch the film and compare it to the book.

The story is about a boy called Auggie and he was very different from normal. He was born with a lot of medical problems that made him look different from other kids. He had to have surgery and he had a scar by his nose. He drools since he cant swallow it. His eyes are different hights and people gave him second glances all the time and kids run away from him.

But one day, his parents wanted him to go to school. He had a tour with 3 students. One seemed to not like Auggie. His name was Julian. Jack-Will seemed to be a good friend. And the girl Charlotte seemed to be in the middle at first. Auggie got to see every room in the school. On the first day, he had to go to Ms. Petosa's room 301. He made a friend, a girl named Summer, who sat next to him at lunch time [spoiler: Summer does not like people that hate Auggie].

We do recommend the book. You should read the rest yourself! It is a really great story about a boy who learns how to make friends and be accepted by people even though he is different.

Creative Writing Corner

Our School

Written by:
Nancy Gould (year 6) and Pixie England (year 6)

Our school accepts everyone,
No one is left out ,
All the pupils and teachers here counts,
Even if you don't know it, you'll feel it,

In the beginning it was fun,
But it does get a bit harder in year 1 ,
The teachers look after you ,
Teaching and making us laugh,
We feel the connection even if they're staff.

The playgrounds are fun to run around,
Cricket,football and all sort of sports ,
We are allowed to make our own dens,
Even with your own friends.

Everyone is welcome;
Body shape,skin tone and race,
No matter what we love all,
Everyone learns at their own pace.



Meet Our Crew

Written by: Nancy Gould (year 6)

You know where you get this newspaper but who actually creates, writes and brainstorms it together? Well you're in luck, I am here to tell you all about these smart thinking people.

First up ,Pixie:

Pixie is an 11 year old pupil that comes to our great school. She loves making her friends happy no matter her mood and loves achieving high in her learning. Her favourite colour is orange and her favourite hobby is crocheting. Also, her favourite subject is history; especially Tudors. Although she loves learning she does have her least favourite subjects ;maths and Science. At home, she has a cat called Bella that is black and white . She has 3 siblings , two brothers and a sister.

Myself, Nancy :

I am 10 years old and I love animals . My favourite subjects are writing and drama. Although, my least favourite subject is RE. My favourite colour is yellow and my favourite hobbies are walking and sports (netball, football, badminton and hockey). My pet is an orange cat, called Mingo, and he is 2 years old.

Isla and Elliott:

Isla is 8 years old and Elliott is 5 years old. Her favourite colour is purple and his favourite is blue. Isla's favourite subject is English (writing) while Elliot's favourite subject is Maths. At home, they enjoy to play games together and with their family. For pets, they have 2 guinea pigs which are called Chocolate and Brownny. Isla likes sewing in her free time; meanwhile her brother loves jumping on their trampoline.

Zack:

He is nine years old and his favourite colour is light blue. His favourite subject is art and loves drawing . He would love to play football and cricket as his hobbies. At home, He has a cat called Binks and his colour is black and white . He has 3 brothers and his least favourite subject is maths.

Leonardo:

Leonardo is nine years old and his favourite colour is yellow . He likes martial arts . Enrichment is his favourite lesson but his least favourite would be reading . He has two cats which are called Lunar and Jupiter . Lunar likes to eat Jupiter's food and is very cheeky . He has one sibling named Arabella.

Liam :

He is nine years old and his favourite colour is golden . He likes to play on his phone. His favourite subject is maths and his least favourite subject is RE . He has two cats and two dogs . The dogs are called feeble and Maisie while the cats are called Lola and Maggie . He has one sibling called Emily .

Jesse :

Jesse is eight years old and his favourite colour is blue . Also , his favourite subject is English while his least favourite subject is RE. He has 3 pets which are cats. He has no siblings.

And of course, who runs this enrichment, Mrs Gurd:

Mrs Gurd is the person that runs this enrichment club. She comes from Northeast New England in America. She has been teaching for nearly a full 15 years. She has a dog named Darcy. She lives in Bridport with her husband named Mark, and has 4 stepchildren and 2 step-grandchildren. They call her Nanny! Also, her favourite colour is dark green .

Thank you for taking the time to read about the pupils who brought the newspaper to you!