



St. Leonard's CE (A) First School Newsletter

Friday 9th June 2023



'From a tiny spark to a bright flame'

'In him was life; and life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness'. (John 1:4-5)

Executive Headteacher of St Leonard's CE (A) First School / Executive Principal of Manifold C of E Academy: Mrs Kelly Stanesby Chair of Governors: Mrs Sue Hey and Rev Jane Held: Designated safeguarding lead: Mrs Kelly Stanesby, Deputy safeguarding leads: Mrs Julie Amos and Miss Torr

Monday 12 th June 2023	Full uniform
Tuesday 13 th June 2023	Full uniform
Wednesday 14 th June 2023 Welly Wednesday 	Welly Wednesday PE kit
Thursday 15 th June 2023	Full uniform 10.30am - 11.30am - Year 4 tour around Churnet View Middle School 11am - Health and Safety link Governor meeting 2.15pm - 3.15pm - Father's Day afternoon
Friday 16 th June 2023	PE kit New Reception transition morning

Your lunch menu for the 12th June 2023 - 16th June 2023

Monday 12 th June 2023	Tuesday 13 th June 2023	Wednesday 14 th June 2023	Thursday 15 th June 2023	Friday 16 th June 2023
Pizza, potato wedges sweetcorn and peas	Chicken korma, rice, peas and carrots	Roast chicken, mashed and roasted potatoes, carrots and cabbage	All day breakfast	Fish fingers, chips and peas or beans
Shortbread	Flapjack	Jelly	Rice krispie cake	Ice cream

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Mrs Barks who celebrated her birthday this week.

We hope you had a lovely day!



Hair today, gone tomorrow!

Last Friday was the day of the big chop for Eleanor who decided to donate her hair to The Little Princess Trust.

She donated twelve inches of hair and raised an amazing £860, which is more than enough to make a new wig and have it styled for a worthy recipient.

Your family are so proud of you Eleanor as are we! Well done!



Random reading spot

Thanks once again to all our random readers for sending in your pictures. It's great to know that you still enjoy reading for pleasure, even when you're not at school!

Jack sat reading his book on a ride on lawnmower! Jack and Emily have their own reading corner in their garden (lucky spuds!) and James took his reading book to Rhuddlan Nature Reserve where he saw a swan incubating her eggs. Oscar and Olivia read to *The Gruffalo* on Cannock Chase!



Random reading spot

Dylan took his book to Turkey with him where he read on the airplane, on a boat and in the swimming pool!



Fun Dog Show - Sunday 25th June

Miss Belfield's daughter, Kelly, has very kindly arranged this event to raise funds for the school.

There will be rosettes for the winners and every entry receives a free goodie bag. There will be lots of lovely stalls to have a wander around there and a pet portrait photographer will be attending.

If you require a stall please contact Kelly on 07511923887 or let Mrs Amos know. The cost of a stall is £10.

Fun Dog Show

Raising funds for St Leonards CE
VA First School - Ipstones

Ipstones Memorial Hall
Sunday 25th June 2023
10am - 2pm



Classes

£2 per entry

- Most Handsome Dog
- Prettiest Bitch
- Best Rescue
- Golden Oldie (7 years & over)
- Odd Couple
- Cutest Puppy (upto 1 year)
- Dog that looks the most like its owner
- Best in Show (winner of each class)

1st, 2nd & 3rd place will receive a rosette.
Every pooch entered in the show will
receive a small goodie bag.

To enter please message Kelly on 07511923887 or
message Handsome Hounds - Ipstones over on
Facebook.

There will also be a range of stalls set up in the
memorial hall. So if you would like to browse please
feel free to support local small businesses.

IPSTONES METHODIST CHURCH

INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR

COFFEE

TOAST

CAKE

& CHAT

JUNE 13TH & 27TH

10A.M. TO 12 NOON

IN THE SCHOOLROOM.

EVERYONE WELCOME.



Attendance

Attendance Ladder



Attendance target - 96%

This week's attendance-97%

As of 2023, anime is a truly colossal market, estimated to be worth a total of \$28.61 billion in its entirety, with somewhere around 300 separate shows and films being created in the last year alone. Many have applauded anime as an industry for its willingness to take risks in its storytelling, with the best examples of the genre creating something truly unique and beautiful, with genuine artistic value.

However, anime is known to span all age ratings and many types of content - from innocuous, child-friendly material, all the way to highly-adult themes, and in some cases, branching into pornography. This guide explores the risks of anime, detailing what can be done to keep children safe while they enjoy it.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about ANIME

Anime, which originates from Japan, is currently one of the most popular sources of entertainment in the world. This style of animation goes back to the mid 20th century, with a broad audience ranging from children to adults. Known for its epic stories, anime often crosses over with video games and other avenues of pop culture via adaptations or spin-offs - such as Cyberpunk: Edgerunners, an anime web series based on the popular video game, Cyberpunk 2077. The most common internet, however, is manga: a form of graphic novel from which most anime is adapted.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some people assume that anime is safe for children purely because it's animation. However, a large amount is actually geared towards adults, often featuring swearing, graphic violence and nudity. Many anime series follow dark storylines, such as Cyberpunk: Edgerunners, which has swiftly become known for its extreme gore, sexual content and disturbing depictions of mental health conditions.

COMMON CROSSOVERS

It's easy for children to get drawn into anime through its many crossovers into video games, such as Fortnite and Call of Duty, while anime art styles are often used for other products, due to its popularity. Titles like the RPG Genshin Impact may look quite cute and accessible, but its loot-box mechanics can introduce young players to behaviours that have much in common with gambling.

DECEPTIVE APPEARANCE

It's easy to mistake anime graphics for a sign of harmless, child-friendly content. This style (big eyes, colourful hair and cute voices), however, can disguise some extremely adult themes. Yandere Simulator, for example, strongly resembles a child's game at face value, thanks to its art style, but in reality it features incredibly dark themes such as murder, kidnapping and torture.

ROBLOX REPRODUCTIONS

There are hundreds of user-created Roblox games which take their inspiration from anime and manga. While many of these titles will be perfectly age appropriate, there are some that prefer to focus on the storylines of adult and horror anime. Death Note, for example (based on the manga and anime series of the same name) would probably be extremely disturbing for most younger players.

MATURE MANGA

The majority of anime is adapted from manga: a form of Japanese comic book. Manga usually features an age rating on the back cover, and it's worth bearing in mind that just because it's a comic, that doesn't mean it's suitable for youngsters. In fact, most popular manga isons heavily towards darker subject matter, which is unquestionably aimed at an adult audience.

ADULT THEMES

Hentai is a type of manga, anime and video game which revolves around characters engaging in explicit sexual encounters. While anime of this kind is usually only found on pornography sites, some gaming platforms - such as Steam - do allow the sale of these titles (referred to as 'H-Games' in the community) and even feature them on the front of their store page when sales are on.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DO YOUR RESEARCH

Despite all the problematic content, there's still a lot of anime out there which is completely child friendly. Pokémon and One Piece are all long-running anime shows which have family-friendly stories and content. Make sure you check for age ratings and content warnings on streaming platforms when deciding if a particular anime series is suitable for your child.

IT'S NOT JUST TV

Anime is most often in the format of a TV series, but it is also presented as films. Studio Ghibli is often referred to as 'the Japanese Disney' due to the quality and number of films they produce. Most of their movies are fine for children, though they often feature more mature subject matter than western animation: Grave of the Fireflies, for instance, is set in Japan during the Second World War.

WATCH WITH YOUR CHILD

Anime covers a multitude of topics, so it's easy to find something that the whole family can enjoy. Anime shows typically involve action and adventure, superheroes, romance, comedy and much more. Watching this content alongside your child isn't only a way to spend quality time together - it will also help you to spot quite quickly if there's potential for any difficult topics to arise in the show.

CHECK GAMES' FEATURES

Often, crossovers with video games simply involve using anime characters as 'skins' to modify the appearance of characters while playing (as in Fortnite, for example). If your child's interested in an anime-inspired game that you're unfamiliar with, however, look online at the game's features and for any content warnings to gain a clearer idea of what your child might be exposed to.

Meet Our Expert

Daniel Upcombe is a writer specialising in technology, video gaming, virtual reality and Web3. He has also written 15 guidebooks for children, covering games such as Fortnite, Apex Legends, Valorant, Roblox and Minecraft. With work published by the likes of PC Gamer, Kotaku, Pocket Gamer and VG247, he has reviewed more than 50 games and products over the past year.

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Father's Day

On Thursday 15th June we are inviting Dads/Grandads into school to spend some time with their little ones.

We will be kite making and flying and there will be tea/coffee and cake.

The sessions starts at 2.15pm until 3.15pm.

Please complete the form from the following link to record attendance by Friday 9th June.

We look forward to seeing you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/80apwmjUv6>



Sports Day - Wednesday 28th June - 1.30pm

This year our sports day will be held on Wednesday 28th June and start at 1.30pm (weather permitting). The lovely Mr Walker will be hosting the event.

Please could you complete the form from the link below to register your attendance in order for us to gauge numbers.

<https://forms.office.com/e/4Bn7PDQnr6>

Refreshments will be available to purchase.

Thank you.



Festival of flowers - 10th and 11th June

The children have been creating a display to decorate the porch of St Leonard's church. They have made bees out of fir cones and wool, spider webs using the natural weaving method that they have learned, dragon flies, snakes and ladybirds. They have also done some beautiful welly flower arranging! They have followed the theme of the poem "Hurt no living thing" by Christina Rossetti. Our super talented Mrs Goldstarw is also doing her own arrangement for church based on the poem "Smile" by Spike Milligan. The flower festival takes place this weekend at St Leonard's Church Ipstones, St Luke's church in Onecote and St Bartholomew's in Butterton. Why not pop in to take a look?

A FEAST OF FLOWERS
THE MOORLANDS CHURCHES
FLOWER FESTIVAL TRAIL
Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th June

MAKE IT A DAY OUT - START ANYWHERE ON THE TRAIL

St Leonard's Ipstones: 'My Favourite Poem'
Serving all-day breakfasts
10:00-4:00 Saturday 10th June 2:00-5:00 Sunday 11th June
(Sunday 11th June 11:00-12:30 Holy Communion Service led by Archdeacon Megan - all welcome)

St Luke's Onecote: 'My Favourite Song'
Serving all-day lunches
11:00-5:00 Saturday 10th June 11:00-5:00 Sunday 11th June

Onecote Methodist Chapel
Serving tea and cake
11:00-5:00 Saturday 10th June 11:00-5:00 Sunday 11th June

St Bartholomew's Butterton: 'My favourite Hymn - All things bright and beautiful'
Serving all-day afternoon teas
11:00-5:00 Saturday 10th June 11:00-5:00 Sunday 11th June

EXPLORE OUR WONDERFUL CULTURAL AND HISTORIC HERITAGE
~ Free entry at each venue ~

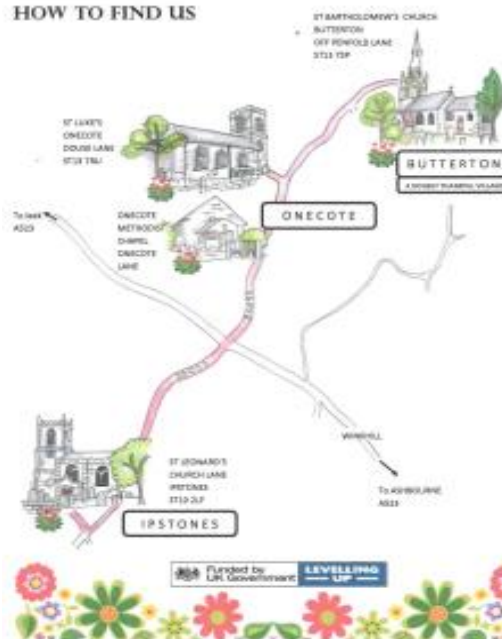
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LEVELLING UP

A FEAST OF FLOWERS—THE MOORLANDS CHURCHES FLOWER FESTIVAL TRAIL

HOW TO FIND US



Fundraising

We all want the very best for the children at St Leonard's. This includes extra curricular activities, trips and additional learning opportunities.

As school budgets are notoriously tight we rely on the school fund to make these things happen. However, we are in desperate need of raising money to replenish our school fund. For example, the cost of a coach to transport the children is on average £300 each time.

If you think you can help in any way by fund raising or donating online via Parentpay we would be so very grateful.

The children are an absolute pleasure to take out and we love being able to do so.

Please help us to continue to offer these exciting experiences to your children.

Thank you.



Afternoon Tea fundraiser

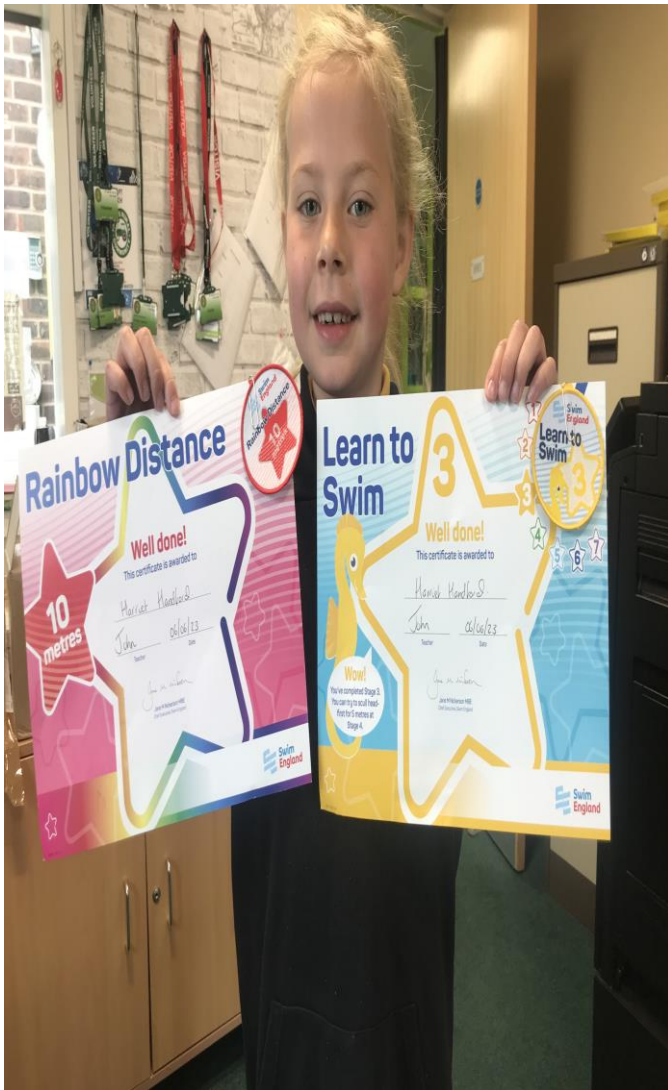


Well Done!

Well done to Harriet who achieved her stage 3 and 10 metre swimming badge this week.

Good job Strawberry!

Well done also to Eleanor who received a "Superstar Rainbow" award for her fantastic fundraising efforts for The Little Princess Trust.



Seaside trip

On 18th July we are taking the children to Prestatyn for an end of year treat.

Please can all children be in school by the earlier time of 8.30am.

We will be collected at 3.00pm so will be back at school by approximately 5.00pm traffic permitting but we will keep you posted.

We will be treating the children to an ice cream each to finish the treat off.

If you would like to order a school packed lunch for your child please complete the form under the link below.

The deadline to order is Friday 7th July.

The cost of the trip is £20 and payable on Parentpay.

<https://forms.office.com/e/WjxJv2L9Cj>



Victoria Hall celebration concert

Tickets are still available to purchase for the Flames celebration concert on Thursday 22nd June at The Victoria Hall.

The concert starts at 10.45am until 11.45am.

Please could all Flames class be at school for 8.30am on this morning as the coach will be leaving just after to get them to The Victoria Hall for 9.30am for their rehearsals.

Tickets can be purchased via;

<https://www.trybooking.co.uk/CHRP>



Dates for the diary

Summer Term

Thursday 15th June - Year 4 Churnet View middle school tour - 10.30am - 11.30am

Thursday 15th June - Father's Day afternoon - 2.15pm - 3.15pm

New reception transition morning - Friday 16th June

Thursday 22nd June - Victoria Hall concert-AM

New reception transition morning - Friday 23rd June

Wednesday 28th June - 1.30pm - 3.00pm - Sports Day

Thursday 29th June - Year 4 Lunch at Churnet View Middle School

New reception transition morning - Friday 30th June

Churnet View transition days for year 4s - Tuesday 4th July, Wednesday 5th July

New reception transition morning - Friday 7th July

New reception transition morning - Friday 18th July

Tuesday 18th July -Whole school trip to the seaside.

Thursday 20th July - Leaver's service (PM)

Term ends - Friday 21st July

The list of dates is not exhaustive at this time of the year . We will, of course, keep you up to date.



2023 - 2024 Term dates

Autumn Term 2023

Inset day: Monday 4 September and Tuesday 5 September

Term starts: Wednesday 6 September

Holiday: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November

Inset day: Monday 6th November

Term ends: Friday 22 December

Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Inset Day : Monday 8 January

Term Starts: Tuesday 9 January

Holiday: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Term Ends: Friday 22 March

Holiday: Monday 25 March – Friday 5 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 31 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

Holiday: Tuesday 23 July – Friday 30 August



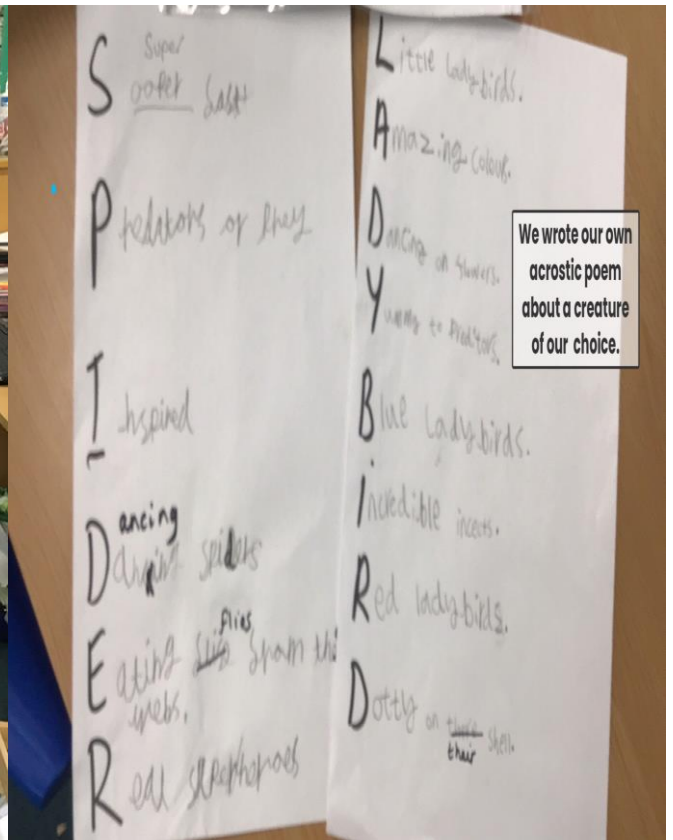
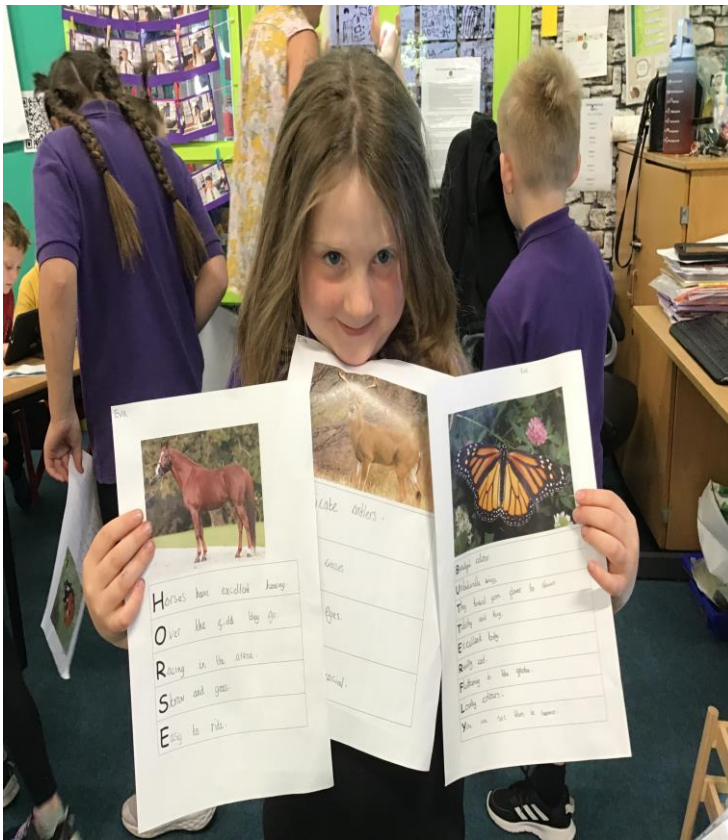
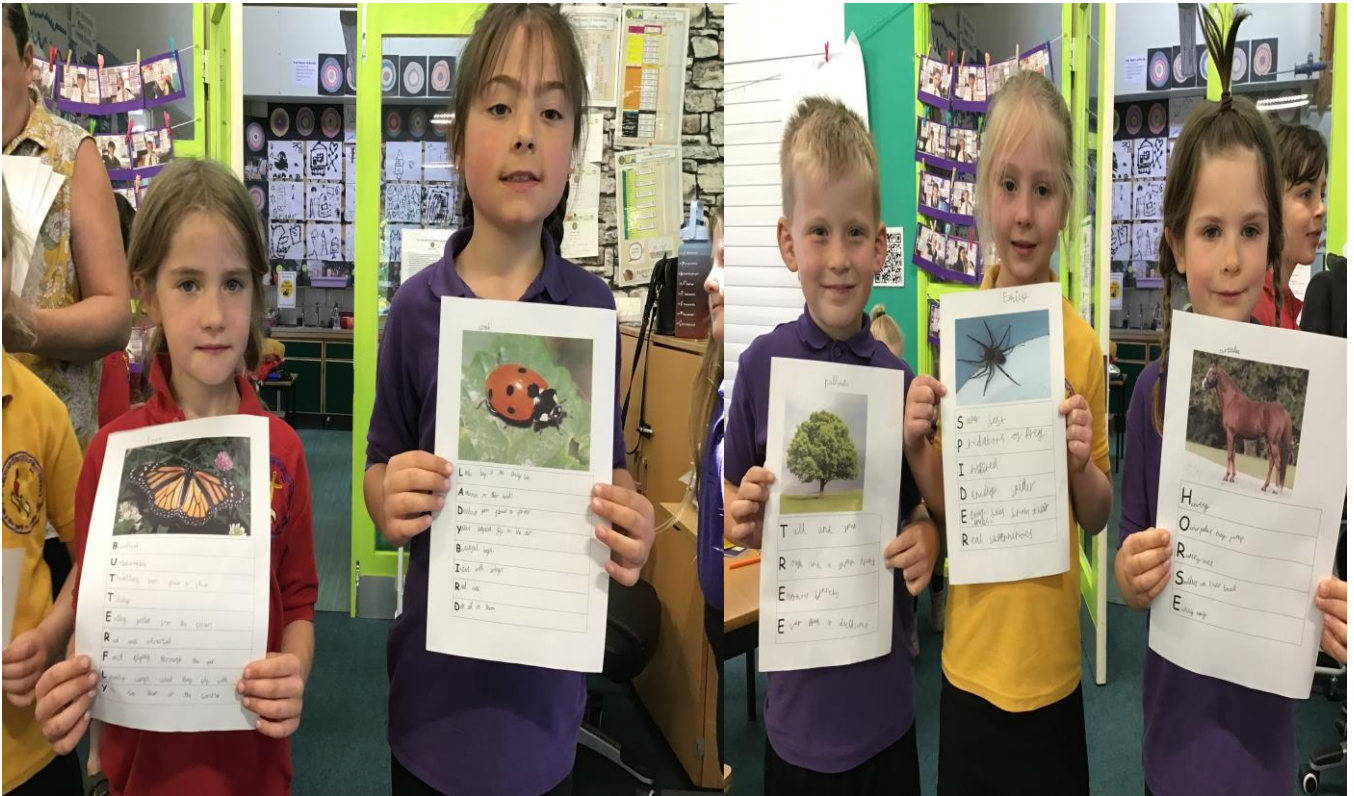
Sparks

Sparks class have been taking advantage of the sunny weather this week and doing lots of outdoor learning and playing. They also looked after the new reception children wonderfully and set a perfect example to them.



Flickers

Flickers class have been writing acrostic poems this week. They enjoyed it so much and produced some fabulous poems. Some of these will be on show at St Leonard's Church for the festival of flowers.



Flames

Wow! What a fun packed times Flames class (and their teachers) had at Gulliver's Kingdom!

They never stopped and were entertained from start to finish.

They experienced the thrills and spills of the rides, disco nights, lots of yummy food, their own two personal entertainers for the entire trip, made new friends and learned lots of new scientific facts in their workshops.

Their behaviour was amazing and a credit to you all.

Mrs Stanesby has posted lots of photos and videos on our Facebook page. Take a look! It certainly looks like they had the best time!

