



# Stuart Road Primary Academy Newsletter

Welcome back to the Spring Term! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful break. It is lovely to see some better weather and the first signs of Spring to make us all feel a little more positive. We have some exciting activities planned for World Book Day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March so please see the poster attached to this newsletter.

Today, we are finalising the plans for all pupils to return on March 8<sup>th</sup> and will send out further details at the start of next week.

Also, we have good news of Just4Fun (the before and after school club) re-opening on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March (see details below).

## Messages from Teachers

### Foundation

This week we have started our new story for the term: Little Red Riding Hood. We have listened to different versions of this story which are available as YouTube clips attached to the Little Red Riding Hood Activities assignment. The children have had fun exploring textures of shaving foam and the revamped role play corner has been changed into Grandma's house from the Little Red Riding Hood story. The children have also been working on writing sentences about gifts to take to Grandma's house.

### Year 1

This week in year 1 the children have been exploring the story of Peter Pan. We have thought about how we feel about the characters, how the characters may have felt flying as well as use a range of adjectives to describe the characters.

In maths we have begun to develop our understanding of height and length - how and what we could use to measure, finding the total amount of two objects being measured, as well as the difference between two objects measurement.

Finally, in topic we have been looking at boats/ships, in particular Captain Hook's Jolly Roger. This has led to many of the children creating their own versions. I'm sure you can agree, they look amazing!! Well done year 1 😊

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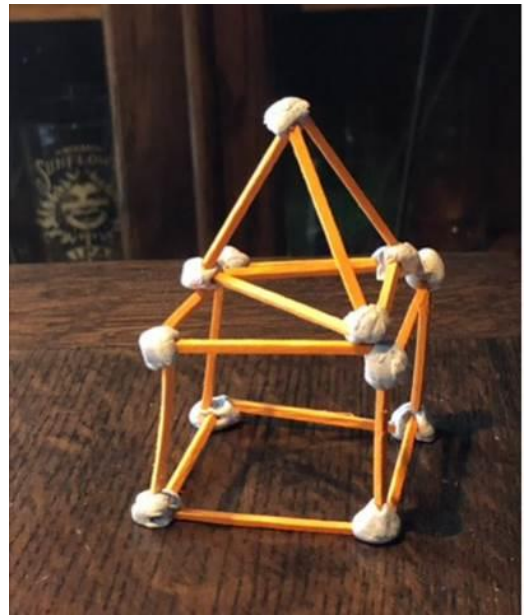


## Year 2

This week in YR2, we have started our mini mission 'Unsinkable?' We have been finding out all about the Titanic and have started planning our recount writing for next week.

In maths, pupils have been finding out about properties of 2D and 3D shapes and have had a go at building their own. We have been working very hard on spelling the 'or' sound and making predictions in reading.

The pupils in school and at home have been working extremely hard and have produced some fantastic work. Thank you to all the parents for their continued support. I am really looking forward to seeing more fantastic learning next week and meeting all the children in person very soon.



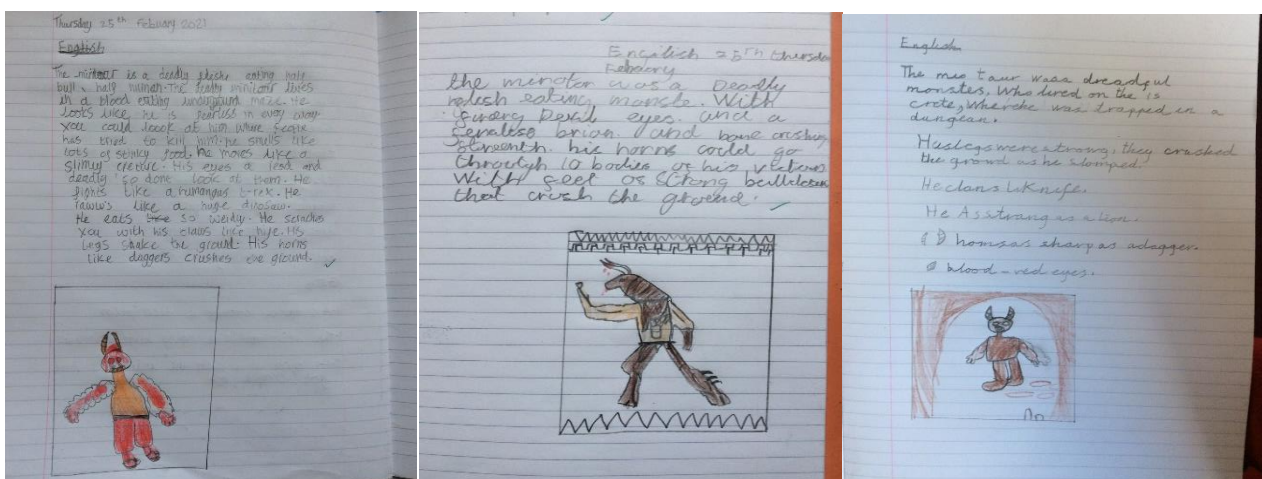
## Year 3

Another week of lockdown over and we're nearly all back together again! This week year 3 have started their new maths unit of measurement. They have had the chance to do a lot of measuring of different objects in class and at home to really help their understanding. In English we are starting to write our report all about Sutton Hoo and the Anglo-Saxons. The children have produced some excellent questions which will help them to produce an interesting report that others will want to read. Thank you to all the children, both in school and at home for their incredible hard work in these difficult times.

## Year 4

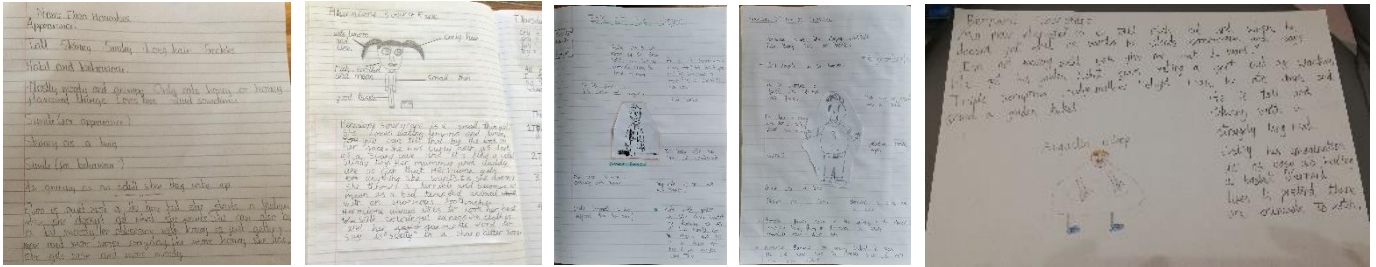
This week, Year 4 have been looking at the Ancient Greeks. In English, we have been exploring Greek Myths and Legends and looking at using figurative language to describe the Minotaur. The quality of work the children have produced has been amazing; we definitely have some budding authors in Year 4!

In Maths, we have exploring fractions all week. Although this is a really tricky subject, everyone has worked their socks off. Keep up the good work, Year 4s!



## Year 5

Year 5 have been immersed in all things chocolatey this week! We have listened to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, by Roald Dahl, and looked closely at how Dahl 'paints' his characters and settings before having a go at creating our own new Golden Ticket Winner and inventing a sweet that holds a special surprise or performs an unexpected function! And we gobblefunked with our words!



## Year 6

This week in year 6 we have been starting a new maths topic! We have started Algebra and the children are all taking this tricky topic in their stride! We have all been working incredibly hard and we have been really successful with this topic! We have started a new text in English, and we are really enjoying it. We have been reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. It is nice to revisit a text that the children have read in year 3 and think about how we can rewrite it for an older audience. We have been focusing this week on using imagery in our writing and we have produced some beautiful descriptive writing. A great start to the half term. Well done Year 6!

### Oracy Activity

Here is a simple discussion activity that you can do together as a family. The aim is to get children sharing ideas with their families and developing their vocabulary and imagination.



**A dragon would make an excellent pet!  
Do you agree or disagree?**

Remember you need to explain your ideas clearly to your family. You can discuss it with them and you may even change your mind!

## Notices and Information

Just 4 Fun school club re-opening on Monday 8th March (see poster below). To book please email: [just4funschoolclub@hotmail.com](mailto:just4funschoolclub@hotmail.com)

or via facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Just-4-Fun-School-Club-156791328331613>

World Book Day - Thursday 4th March - Please see poster below for details

## Information for parents

### What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should inform the school and organise for your child to be tested via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119.

Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

There is also an additional testing service for children in Plymouth schools: parents or carers can also book a test by emailing [d-ccg.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net](mailto:d-ccg.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net)

### Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a recent onset of:

- New continuous cough/and/or
- High temperature and/or
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

### How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19. Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often - do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

### Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline opening hours

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline remains available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Please listen carefully to the available options and select the most appropriate to your nursery, school, or college's current situation.

Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling: Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm



## HOW WILL WE BE CELEBRATING WORLD BOOK DAY WITH EVERYONE IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL?

We thought we would share a taster of our plans with you. It will look slightly different to normal this year, but we will still have an amazing celebration of all things reading. Here is a preview...



### MASKED READERS

Teachers will be the Masked Readers and will be posting samples of their favourite stories from behind a masked disguise during the day. Can you guess 'Who is Who'? Don't be fooled by their disguise!

### GET CAUGHT READING

For our remote World Book Day, we would like you to 'Get Caught Reading'. We would like the children to take photos of themselves reading in unusual places, which we would then like to display in school. Send in your photos to your class teacher via MS Teams. We will award you with a team point for your class. Which class will get the most 'Get Caught Reading' points? Who will get caught in the most unusual place? Join our World Book Day live assembly to find which class team will win the 'Get Caught Reading' challenge.



### DRESSING UP

Whether you are in Educare in school on Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>, or you are learning remotely from home, we will be hosting our dress up as a book character day. Which book character you dress up as is entirely up to you! If you are dressing up at home, your teachers would love to see a photo of you on MS Teams!



### WORLD BOOK DAY LIVE ASSEMBLY

Join the live assembly on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March with Mrs Nicholls for the big reveal. Which teacher will it be behind the mask? Which class has won the 'Get Caught Reading' challenge?

JUST FOR FUN SCHOOL CLUB @  
STUART ROAD PRIMARY



**Just 4 fun**  
School Club

# RE - OPENING 8TH MARCH

ACCEPTING BOOKINGS FOR ALL YEARS  
OPENING 8TH MARCH

Breakfast club opens @ 07:45am - £3.50 per  
child

After school club till 6pm - £9 per child

TO BOOK GO TO: <https://just4fun.magicbooking.co.uk>

Any queries contact:  
[just4funschoolclub@hotmail.com](mailto:just4funschoolclub@hotmail.com)