



Argyle
Primary
School

NEWSLETTER

OUR VALUE FOR JUNE IS DRIVE



HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,
It has been a lot of fun to be a child at Argyle this week. There does not seem to have been a day that has not been action packed – as this newsletter shows. I know that most of our families are celebrating Eid-UI - Adha this weekend and I hope that you have a wonderful weekend. I look forward to celebrating with you all next Friday at our after school parent led summer fair.

J. Wade
Head Teacher

ARGYLE SUMMER FAIR

Friday 21st of June
IN THE KS2 PLAYGROUND

15:00-17:30

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON FULL OF FUN!

- Burgers and Hotdogs
- Slushies
- Candy Floss
- Bouncy castle
- Penalties
- Face painting
- Soak the Teacher
- Games, ...
- and much more!

YEAR 4

On Tuesday, year 4 had a chance to show us their control and poise in ballet, as well as their creativity in response to a choreographic task when the London Children's Ballet came to visit.

All the tasks were based on their show this year, *The Secret Garden*, which we will see in early July at the Peacock Theatre. After a film introducing us to the cast and some basic ballet moves (all the names are in French!), we practised them for ourselves. Next were some tasks to get us to portray different elements in the garden, including grumpy gardeners, cheeky robins and even the water that each plant needed.

The children presented their own choreography on children's games to one another and created a tableau in which together they built up a whole garden scene. We were very impressed with their musicality and imagination. Finally, we were able to ask questions about jobs in the theatre and to try on some of their wonderful costumes. We can't wait to see the whole show!



YEAR 4

On Thursday, we had a wonderful day at London Zoo. To start the day, we had a workshop all about animal habitats, giving us the opportunity to think about animal habitats and adaptations before we saw many of those animals for ourselves. We were also interested to hear about the work that the zoo does to make sure that animals are protected from extinction, in particular the many baby animals that have been born there over the last few months.

Straight away, we got to see some of those for ourselves in the rainforest, including tiny monkeys jumping on their mother's backs. Two giant sloths hung above our heads and everywhere we looked there was life.

Saifan: There were bats hanging from every tree and rats scuttling on the forest floor.

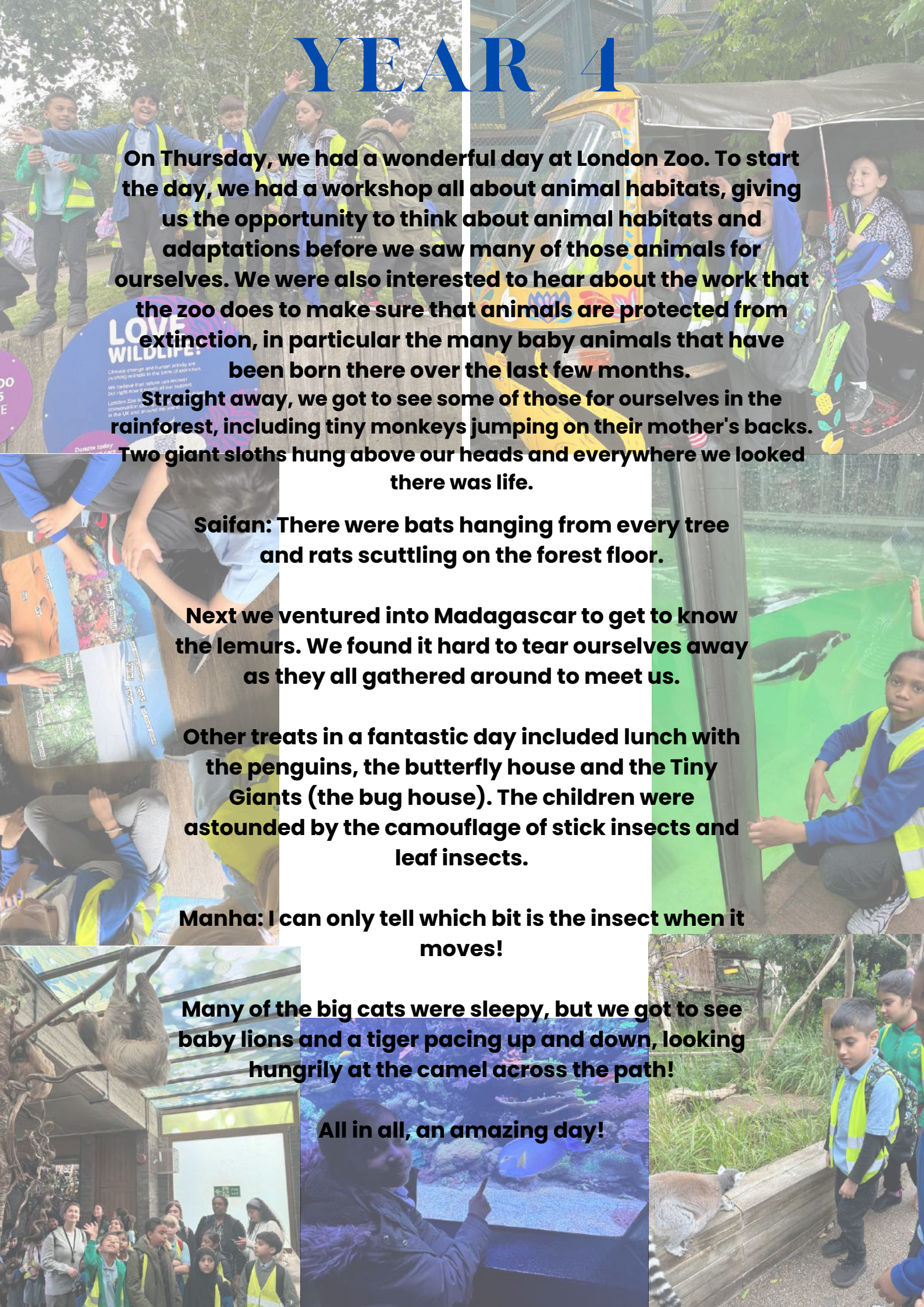
Next we ventured into Madagascar to get to know the lemurs. We found it hard to tear ourselves away as they all gathered around to meet us.

Other treats in a fantastic day included lunch with the penguins, the butterfly house and the Tiny Giants (the bug house). The children were astounded by the camouflage of stick insects and leaf insects.

Manha: I can only tell which bit is the insect when it moves!

Many of the big cats were sleepy, but we got to see baby lions and a tiger pacing up and down, looking hungrily at the camel across the path!

All in all, an amazing day!



KEYSTAGE 1

This week year one have been identifying common flowering plants from the UK. We went outdoors to carefully draw examples of British flowers and then label their features. In science we are learning that flowering plants have roots, stems and, leaves and flowers. We also have learnt the life cycle of a plant and the difference between bulbs and seeds.



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I am going to draw a Daisy and a Rose because they are in my name. - Daisy

I know a daffodil. - Mohmoud

Flowers are so colourful. -Ayaan

Plants take nutrients from the soil. - Velan

Onions grow underneath the ground -Mariam

Flowers have petals. - Liona

Bees fly on flowers. -Ibrahim Ali

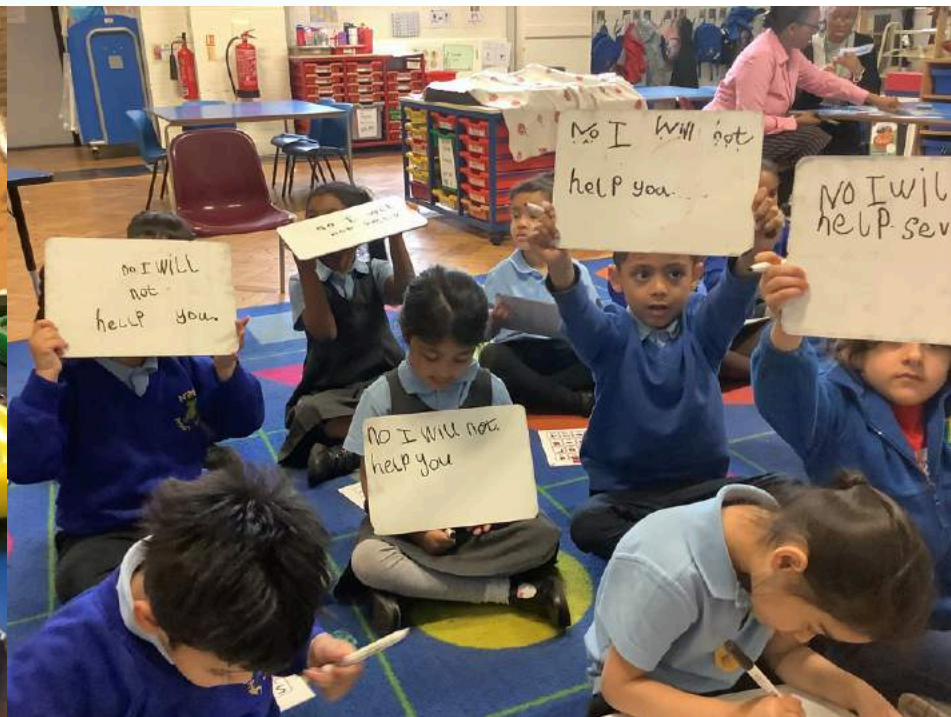




RECEPTION



They children began the week listening to the story of 'Farmer Duck' and using key reading strategies such as making predictions about what was going to happen in the story. The children then explored the key characters in more detail, using a range of adjectives to describe them. Following this, they read the story of 'Rosie's Walk' and made a map of her journey. Also this week, the children have been tasting a range of different breads and then asking their friends to choose their favourite type. They recorded their findings on a tally chart and used these to identify the most popular. In Maths, the children have been working on their number bonds to 10.



NURSERY



We continued with our topic of 'All creatures great and small' this week by travelling down to the continent of South America. We read the book 'Slowly, slowly, slowly, said the Sloth' by Eric Carle and then we learnt about animals that live in South America on the small-world-play table. The children found toy animals like sloths, anteaters, jaguars, tapirs, caiman, toucan and tortoises, and then ticked them off on their clipboard checklists! The children also learnt about some of the special features that South American animals have by playing 'What's in the box?'. We found out that caimans have sharp teeth to help them catch prey, tortoises have shells and porcupine's have spines to help protect themselves. Nihal learnt that lots of animals have tongues (not just humans)! We also learnt that sloths have long claws to help them hang upside down and the children thought about how it might feel to be a sloth by pretending to hang very still, upside down, for 1 minute. In phonics we learnt the 'ch' sound and the children were all able to have a go at writing the letters that make up this sound.

We had a visit from the Foundling museum this week and the children thought about what it might have been like to be a Foundling child by working together to make a tablecloth for a special meal. The children then all lined up with their plates, were served some imaginary food and then they all sat around the tablecloth to eat together. The children were brilliant at waiting for their turn and then waiting until everybody was seated and ready before starting their imaginary meal.

In stay and play this week the children and their parents worked together to paint patterns onto real leaves and then we made a big rainforest tree display to go up in our nursery.



Attendance & Punctuality



Week	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jet	95%	97%				
Topaz	92%	94%				
Amber	93%	98%				
Emerald	94%	98%				
Opal	91%	96%				
3 Garnet	88%	97%				
3 Pearl	99%	95%				
4 Onyx	95%	95%				
4 Quartz	95%	94%				
5 Amethyst	97%	94%				
6 Sapphire	99%	96%				
Total	94%	96%				
Camden	94%	-				

Well done to Jet, Amber, Emerald, Opal, 3 Garnet and 6 Sapphire for attaining the target of 96% attendance this week.

This week **103** of sessions in the registers were marked as 'L' (Late). Pupils should be in their line at **8.40am**, ready to go up to class and be marked into the register at 8.45am when school begins.

Exceptional Leave:

Parents are reminded not to book holidays during school term time.

If there is an emergency and you need exceptional leave, please complete a form from the school office and await the decision from the headteacher before booking your tickets.

Reporting Absences

Parents should report any absences to the school office by calling 02078374590 before 9.30am.

Please do not leave messages on the answering machine. A member of staff may call you again to discuss the absence.

Please do not send emails to the admin inbox.

Every School Day Counts

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE 2024

Monday 17th

INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 18th

EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Trip: Year 4 visit Bonsall from 8am – 5pm

Wednesday 19th

Trip: Year 2 Opal visit St Pancras Library from 1.30am – 3pm

Thursday 20th

KS2 Sports Day

Trip: Year 2 Emerald visit St Pancras Library from 1.30am – 3pm

Friday 21st

Summer Fair from 3pm – 5.15pm

Trip: Year 6 visit London Zoo from 10am – 3pm

Trip: Selected Yr 5&6 pupils attend Football Tournament at Coram's Fields from 9.45am – 3pm

Trip: Year 2 Amber visit St Pancras Library from 1.30am – 3pm

Monday 24th

Workshop: Heritage of London working with Year 5

Tuesday 25th

Trip: Year 5 visit Guildford Place from 9.30am – 12pm

Trip: Year 2 attend Camden Cluster Festival from 1pm – 3pm

Thursday 27th

Workshop: Diorama Theatre Performance for KS2

Friday 28th

Trip: Nursery (Group 1) visit London Zoo from 9.30am – 2.30pm

JULY 2024

Tuesday 2nd

Trip: Year 5 visit The Synagogue from 10am – 1pm

Trip: Selected Yr 4 pupils attend Cricket Tournament at Regent's Park from 9am – 3pm

Wednesday 3rd

Trip: Rec Jet visit South Bank from 9.50am – 2pm