



NEWSLETTER



HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you enjoyed visiting our great book giveaway at the end of the day today? I also hope that you will make some time to read a book with your children this weekend. Parents often talk to me about how they are planning on supporting their child's achievement with a laptop or a tutor and, whilst there is a place for both of these approaches, I often remind them that the single most important thing they can do to support their child's learning is to read with them. Reading with your child is incredible! It gives you 'together time'. It provides your child with a bank of stories, settings and characters. Books usually convey important themes - themes about friendships or family or danger. They teach children about the world. Books build imagination. They support children to know and understand new words. They broaden horizons. For you and your child, books are free! You can borrow from school and from your local Camden Library. One of the largest collections of books in the world- The British Library - is on your doorstep. Have a lovely weekend -enjoy reading with your child!

J. Wade
Head Teacher

YEAR 6



Year 6 visit Oxford University

On Friday, Year 6 went to Oxford on a visit organised by the Latin Programme. The visit was not only to find out about how Classics (Latin and Ancient Greek) is taught at university, but also to inspire the children.



It was a wonderful day and we enjoyed exploring Jesus College, where we ate in their impressive dining room, and seeing other parts of the university, such as the famous Bodleian Library. The class were also privileged to be taught a Latin lesson by one of the college tutors. They were given a text written in Latin only and, using only a few visual clues, could read and translate part of it - highly impressive university work!



My favourite part was seeing one of the oldest libraries in the UK because you could imagine people studying there over the centuries and the books were hundreds of years old.

-Surayya

I was surprised to find out that the most popular course in the whole of Oxford University is Computer Science rather than one of the main subjects like Maths.

-Vanessa

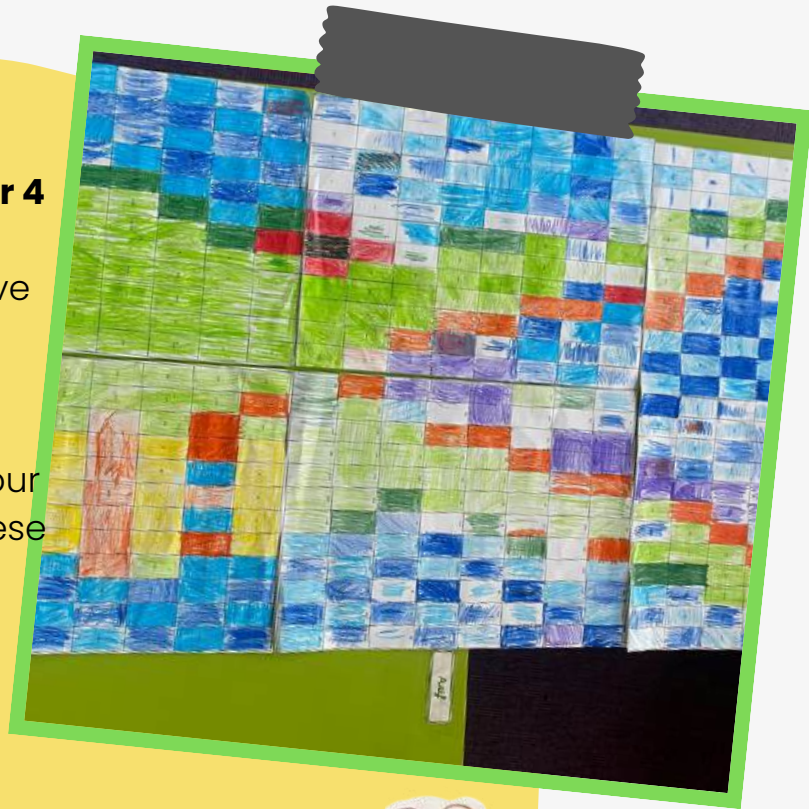
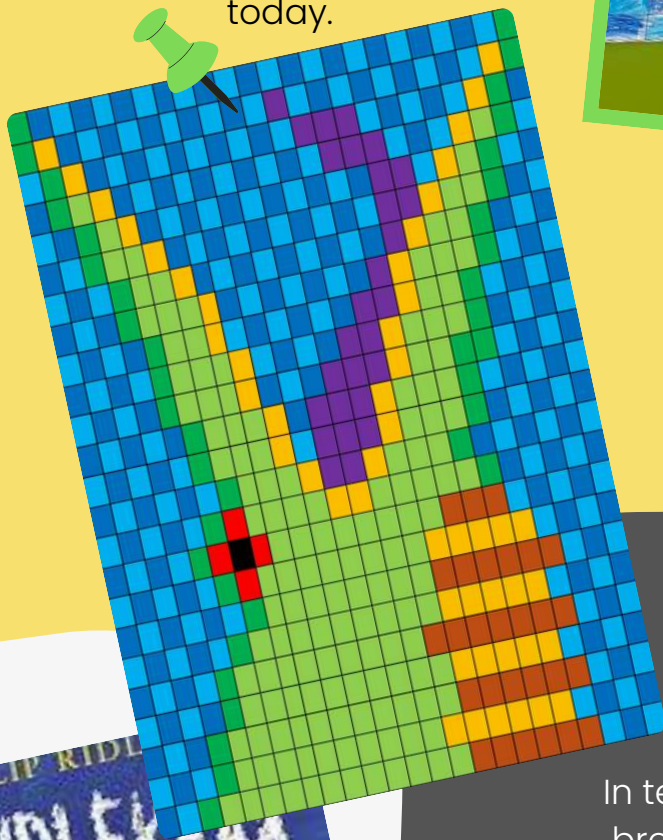
I like Oxford because they told us that if you can't afford to go there, there are scholarships and other schemes so you may not have to pay.

-Cyrus

Year 4

Roman Numerals Exploration in Year 4

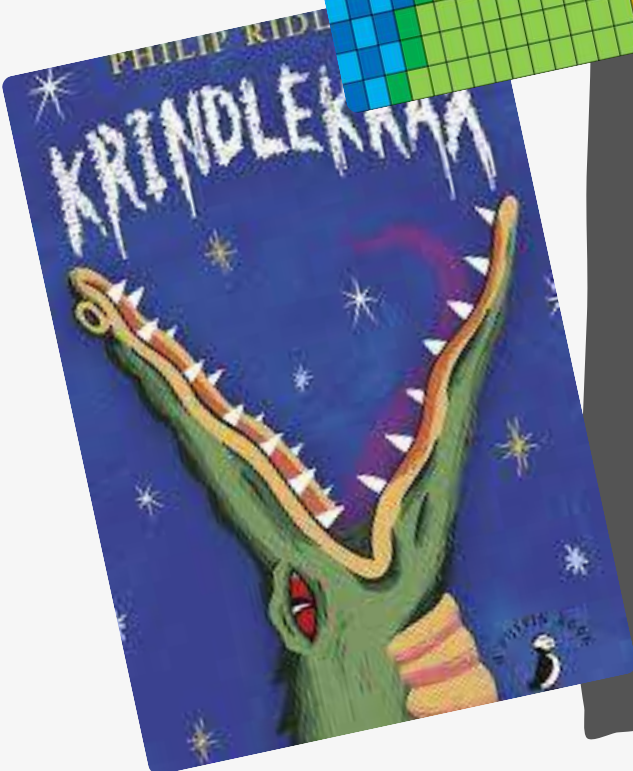
This week, 4 Emerald and 4 Onyx have been diving deep into the world of Roman numerals. We explored the numeral system that originated in ancient Rome, and, with the help of our fantastic Latin skills, we converted these symbols into the numbers we use today.



In teams, we transformed into code-breakers! Our mission was to colour sections of a mosaic, and once each group completed their piece, we combined them like a jigsaw puzzle. Together, the mosaic revealed a familiar character from our story...

KRINDLEKRAX!

Well done, team – excellent work!



Year 2

Busy Mathematicians and Exciting Adventures Ahead! Year 2 students have been hard at work this week, becoming fantastic mathematicians! The children have been tackling number lines with missing numbers, investigating whether the number lines increase in 1's or jump by 10's. Their problem-solving skills are really starting to shine!



In addition to their maths, our school forum started this week, and the Year 2's have stepped up as excellent role models for the Year 1 children.

In Literacy, the children have continued their work on the story 'The Lost Property Office', learning how to enhance their writing by using adverbs. Their creativity and imagination are truly inspiring!



In gymnastics, our budding athletes have been busy combining multiple gymnastic positions to create impressive sequences. It's been fantastic to see their coordination and confidence grow.



Next week brings even more excitement as the Year 2's will be heading off on their first school trip of the year to The Canal Museum! Opal Class will be going on Tuesday, 24th, and Amber Class will go on Wednesday, 25th. Please remember to send your child with a coat and a water bottle labelled with their name.

We can't wait for all the learning and fun next week will bring!



YEAR 1

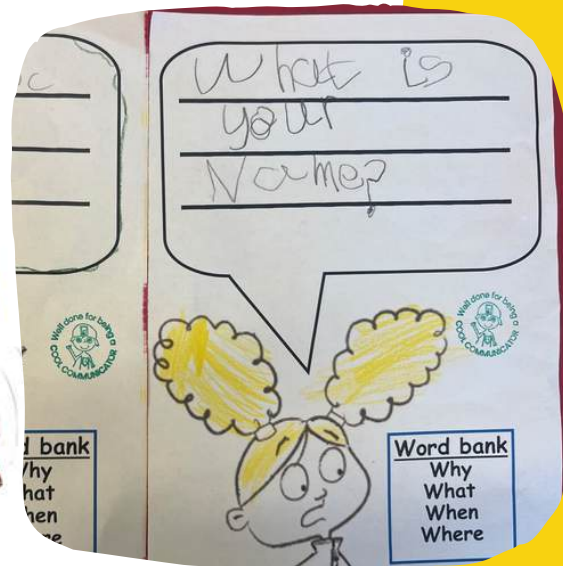
This week, Year 1 have so much to be proud of, especially with their first school trip to St. George's Garden. The children had a wonderful time observing and collecting a variety of leaves. They enthusiastically explored leaf features, with Maryam commenting, "This leaf is green and spiky." Back in class, they used the leaves they collected to create beautiful art pieces, which will soon be displayed on the class science board.



In Maths, the children practiced adding one more to a number up to 10 and counting backwards from 10, honing their early numeracy skills.



In Religious Education, the children discussed what it means to belong to a group, and each child depicted their group on a paper badge. One of the most imaginative activities of the week involved the children thinking of questions they'd ask a dragon! Aaniyah asked, "What is your name?" while Aqeel wondered, "Why are you so scary?" It's been a week full of creativity, curiosity, and new experiences for Year 1!





RECEPTION



This week in Reception, the children have been thoroughly enjoying the classic story 'Owl Babies'. After listening to the story, they practiced sequencing the events by arranging pictures from the book and retelling the story in their own words. To bring the story to life, the children also got creative with playdough, molding their own versions of the beloved characters from the tale.

In Maths, we've been focusing on height and length. The children explored this by comparing three owls and identifying which was the shortest, longer, and longest, building their understanding of measurement in a fun and interactive way.

During Religious Education, we shared the story of the Good Samaritan, which led to a thoughtful discussion about friendship. The children reflected on who their special friends are and considered whether it's better to have lots of money or a good friend—a lovely way to explore kindness and the value of meaningful relationships.

It's been a busy and enriching week for our young learners!



NURSERY



In Nursery this week we continued with our topic of Nursery Rhymes and practised singing some new rhymes 'The Finger Family Song', 'This Little Piggy', 'Round and Round the Garden', 'Incy Wincy Spider' and 'Ten in the Bed'. We really hope you enjoy singing Incy Wincy Spider with your child at home! Scan the QR code to play the song and sing along.

We started reading a new book this week: 'Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes', by Mem Fox. The children learnt that they were all babies once, and now they are bigger, and one day they will be grown-ups! We played 'what's in the box?' to learn about some of the more unusual items in the book, like 'hot water bottle' and 'medicine spoon'. We looked at all the children's baby photos this week and tried to work out who was who. Elaura said, "yesterday I was a baby".

Continuing on the theme of bodies from last week, two of our key words of the week were 'fingers' and 'ears'. We started learning about how we use the senses of touch and hearing to find out about the world around us. During carpet time, the children touched different objects in a bag and talked about how they feel. Humayra pulled out a small blanket and said "it feels warm", Micha said the stone "feels soft". We explored the sense of hearing by playing lots of musical instruments together on Friday morning and thought about the different kinds of sounds that they made.

In Maths, we started learning about number 2. We learnt that many things on the human body come in twos, such as ears, eyes, arms and legs. But some things we only have one of (like our heads). The children then practised rolling a dice and trying to see how many number twos they could roll, they then matched patterns on the board game 'monster dice match'. Abdur said "it's 2!".





Excellence

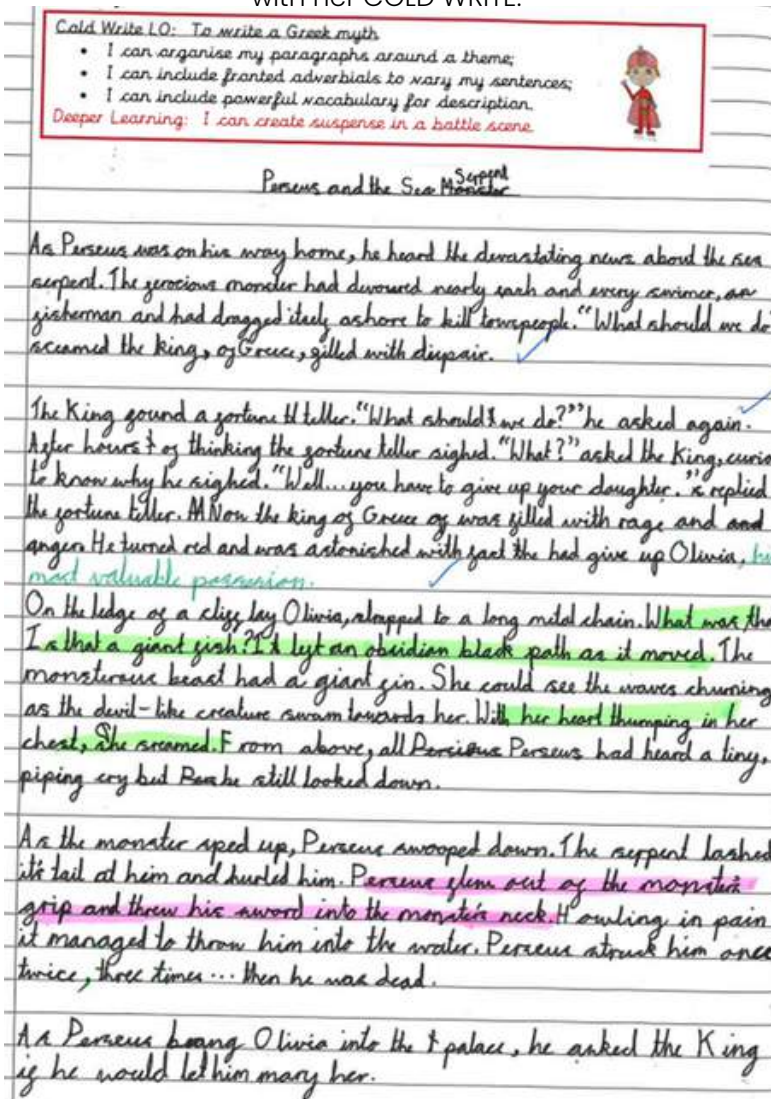
This month at Argyle Primary School we are focusing on Excellence—the drive to be the best version of ourselves in every area of life.

Excellence means more than just doing well in school; it's about giving your best effort, learning from mistakes, and staying committed even when challenges arise. We encourage our students to embrace excellence in their work, friendships, and everyday actions.

This week in assembly three children were given a special mention by Ms Wade for displaying 'Excellence' in three different areas.

"WELL DONE" TO:

A'isha of 5 Amethyst who really challenged herself with her COLD WRITE.



LeAnna of 4 Onyx who has challenged herself outside of school by completing the Doodle Summer Challenge.



Ibrahim of 5 Amethyst who is an excellent sportsman and who always makes an extra effort to follow our rules in the playground.



As parents and carers, you can support this value at home by encouraging your child to set personal goals, celebrate small wins, and keep a positive attitude toward learning.

Let's work together to ensure that excellence becomes a lifelong habit for every Argyle student.

Sports Tournament

ARGYLE PARTICIPATE IN THE CAMDEN'S

YEAR 4 DODGEBALL COMPETITION

On Wednesday, a group of children from Year 4 proudly opened the season of our school competitions by participating in a Dodgeball event.

They were divided into teams with children from other schools, and showed excellent teamwork, respect, and collaboration with their peers.

The aim was to hit the opposing players with the ball to get them out. Our children grasped the rules quickly and played with great spirit, accepting when they were hit and keeping a positive attitude. Their smiles and enjoyment of the game were a highlight of the day.



We are especially proud of a few students from Argyle who were awarded medals for outstanding sportsmanship, as chosen by adults from the other participating schools. Let's continue this fantastic momentum and bring home more medals and trophies throughout the year. Bring on the new season full of exciting competitions!



Our year 4 pupils displayed our value of the month 'Excellence' in their camaraderie and their willingness to try something new

Notifications of tournaments are sent out on ParentHub, be check regularly and give permission when necessary.

BUDDY SQUAD is back **YEAR 5**

Exciting news! The Buddy Squad is starting up again, and we want YOU to be part of it!
If you're in Year 5 and interested in joining the Buddy Squad, here's what you need to do:

Write down and answer the following:

- **Your Name & Class**
- **Reasons why you would like to become a Buddy Squad member**

Once you've completed your application, please bring it to Sharmina next week on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday.



What does the Buddy Squad do?

- Help children play cooperatively with each other
- Help resolve minor conflicts
- Teach children how to play games
- Be a good listener when another child wants to talk
- Help lonely children make friends
- Report any unkind behaviour to an adult
- Be a friend to everyone

Don't miss out on this fun and rewarding opportunity to make a difference in our school community!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER

Monday 23rd

Event: Year 3 Welcome Meeting – Parents welcome to attend
Trip: Year 6 leave for their residential trip to Little Canada, Isle of Wight
Event: Instrumental lessons begin this week
Tuition: Catch-up groups begins today for selected pupils

Tuesday 24th

Event: After school clubs begin today
Trip: 2 Opal visit The Canal Museum from 10am – 2pm

Wednesday 25th

Trip: Year 6 return from their residential trip
Trip: 2 Amber visit The Canal Museum
Tuition: Selected Year 5 pupils have Action Tuition today from 3.15pm – 4.30pm

Thursday 26th

Tuition: Selected Year 6 pupils have Richard Reeve Tuition today from 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Monday 30th

Tuition: Selected Year 6 pupils start Action Tuition today from 3.15pm – 4.30pm
Event: Scholastic Travelling Book Fair after school

OCTOBER

Tuesday 1st

Event: Scholastic Travelling Book Fair after school
Tuition: Selected Year 5 pupils have Richard Reeves Tuition from 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Wednesday 2nd

Event: Last day of Scholastic Travelling Book Fair after school
Tuition: Selected Year 5 pupils have Action Tuition today from 3.15pm – 4.30pm
Trip: 1 Jade visit The Canal Museum from 10am – 2pm

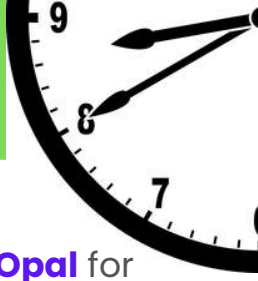
Thursday 3rd

Event: Reception Phonics Workshop
Trip: 1 Ruby visit The Canal Museum from 10am – 2pm
Tuition: Selected Year 6 pupils have Richard Reeves Tuition today from 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday 4th

Trip: Year 3 visit The Chiltern Open Air Museum from 8.30am – 4pm

Attendance & Punctuality



Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rec: Jet	91	91	90				
1 Jade	93	92	93				
1 Ruby	95	100	96				
2 Amber	86	95	94				
2 Opal	88	95	100				
3 Garnet	98	96	98				
3 Pearl	91	95	97				
4 Emerald	96	98	95				
4 Onyx	94	94	91				
5 Amethyst	99	98	99				
6 Sapphire	95	96	95				
Total	94	95	95				
Camden							

Congratulations to **2 Opal** for getting **100%** attendance this week!
Every child attended school everyday!

Well done to 1 Ruby, 3 Garnet, 3 Pearl and 5 Amethyst for attaining the target of **96%** attendance this week.

Punctuality

This week **19** of sessions in the registers were marked as 'L' (Late).

Amazing! Lets keep this momentum going!

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

Community Notice

40th – Anniversary Festival

Calthorpe
Community
Garden

Come Celebrate With Us
Food, Drinks, Stalls, Raffle, Costume Parade,
Workshops, Performances, Live Music & DJ



Poster Design by @gaochuangart



Full Programme:
www.calthorpecommunitygarden.org.uk
@calthorpecommunitygarden
258-274 Gray's Inn Rd, London WC1X 8LH
Charity No. 292578
Camden

Saturday
28th Sept 24
12 noon to 9pm

40TH ANNIVERSARY COSTUME PARADE



28TH SEPT 2024
11AM AT THE RED GATE
258-274 GRAY'S INN RD, WC1X 8LH
TEL: 020 7837 8019

BRING YOUR OWN COSTUMES, MASKS AND/OR
INSTRUMENTS REPRESENTING YOUR OWN CULTURE!
EVERYONE IS WELCOME



ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS
OF OTHER LANGUAGES
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LEARN ENGLISH FAST AT
ARGYLE
EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY
FROM 9AM -11AM

THIS CLASS IS OPEN TO ALL ADULT STUDENTS OF ALL LEVELS. YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ENGLISH FAST AT ARGYLE PRIMARY SCHOOL WITH OTHER STUDENTS. WE WILL GO ON TRIPS TO LOCAL SITES AND LEARN EVERYDAY VOCABULARY. WE WILL CONCENTRATE ON SPOKEN ENGLISH, ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION, READING AND WRITING. WE WILL COVER WHAT STUDENTS WANT TO LEARN!

Come and see Belinda in the Family Learning Centre
at Argyle Primary School to register



BELINDA DRAKE IS A LECTURER EMPLOYED BY WESTMINSTER KINGSWAY COLLEGE

