The Cheddington Link 16th October 2026

With only one week until half term, we're still going strong here in school. We had a visit from the Local Authority today and they were very impressed with what they saw in classrooms; high quality teaching and children being really engaged in their learning.

We are now holding our 'SHINE' assemblies on Friday mornings. This is where children are recognised for their academic progress and achievement. As one little one said to me this morning as they came through the gate 'Mrs Brown, it's Shine Day!' From now on I think Fridays should be re-named Shine Days!

Parent Evening appointments

Parents evening bookings are open from 7pm on Monday 19th October 2026 on Eschools.

*Parent consultation appointments will be available from 4pm to 7.10pm on **Thursday 12th November** and from 3.45pm to 6.15pm on **Tuesday 17th November**. We are holding a seperate parents evening for the parents of SEN pupils on **Wednesday 11th November**. An email to these parents has been sent out today.*

Anyone having any issues logging into Eschools should contact the school office on admin@cheddington.bucks.sch.uk.

Christmas Cards

If your child entered a Christmas Card design for the PTA Christmas Cards, they will come home today in their bags. The turn around for ordering is very tight. All orders must be placed by 22nd October (next Thursday).

School tours

We are excited that our first school tour for our Reception intake 2027 is happening next week. This tour is now fully booked but if you know of anyone who would like to join our future schools here are the dates:

Tuesday 3rd November at 2pm

Monday 9th November at 2pm

Wednesday 11th November at 9.30am

Friday 27th November at 9.30am

Please contact the office to book a space.

Celebration assembly Friday 23rd October

As next Friday is the end of this half term, we will be holding our celebration assembly. A reminder that if children have achieved a medal, certificate or trophy for an activity outside of school, they can bring it in for us to celebrate. Please bring items in to the front office and make sure they are named. Thank you.

Dodgeball tournament

A group of Year 5 and 6s went to The Mandeville School Dodgeball tournament yesterday. This was the first time the minibus has been used for a sporting event and it is obviously a lucky charm as the

team won the whole tournament! They played brilliantly and it was wonderful to see their HEART values shining through

First football game of the season

Our football team had their first match yesterday at home.

They shone as a team and won 9-0. Great job team!

Dojo prizes

Next week the children will have their first opportunity to spend Dojos at the Dojo shop. A new display has been put up with all the prizes and Golden Tickets available this year. There was a lot of excitement when each class saw it! Dojo are given out for reading at home and going above and beyond at school. They can choose to spend their Dojo points or save them up to buy bigger prizes.

Emails that have been sent home this week:

We felt it might be useful for a list of emails that we have sent out this week to be included in the weekly Cheddington Link. This is just to act as a reminder as we know how busy life gets. Not all emails will be relevant for every child but hopefully a list on here each week will help:

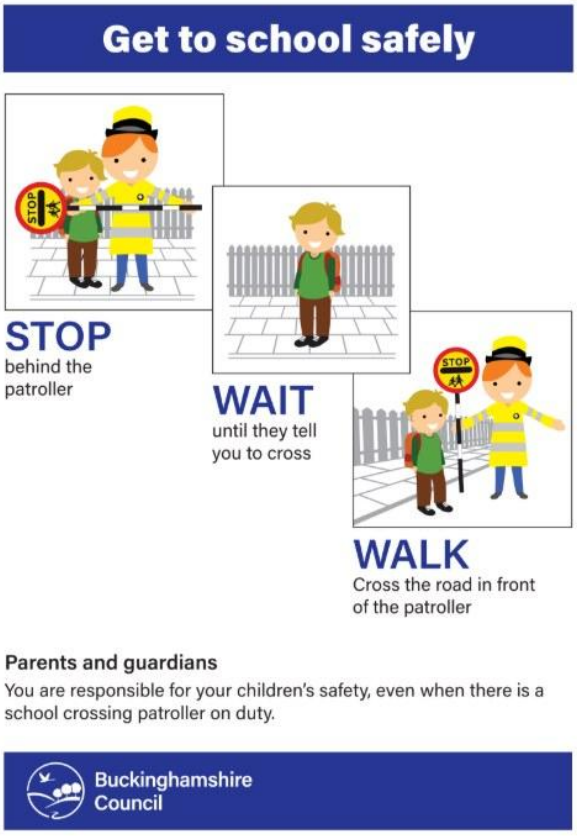
- *Epay reminder: Yr6 River Dart*
- *Grafham Water Medical and Consent forms*
- *Y2 Whipsnade Zoo trip - Tuesday 3rd Nov*
- *Football tournament Saturday 17th October*
- *Epay: YR Teaching Talons*
- *Epay: Y5 Space Centre trip*

- *SEN Parents Evening - Wednesday 11th November*
- *Epay: Y4 Grafham Water*

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Gilly Brown

Headteacher



PTA

PTA Halloween Cake Sale and Pre Loved Costume Swap

The Halloween Cake Sale and Pre Loved Costume Swap is next week. The event will take place after school in the school hall next Thursday 22nd of October.

Pre Loved Halloween Costumes

Last weekend to dig out those preloved costumes. Please bring any school age costumes that your children have outgrown to the school office any time between now and next Thursday.

Halloween Cakes

The event heavily relies on donations to be a success. All donations of baked goods (home made or purchased) are greatly appreciated. Please drop any nut free donations into the school office on the day. Please name any containers so we can make sure they are returned to you.

We plan to sell the cakes for £1 each, if we receive any smaller donations they will be priced at 50p.

Cakes can be purchased in advance using this payment link https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QCHDA60G.

On the day cakes can be purchased by cash, using the printed QR codes or using the payment link.

Thank you so much for your support. We are really looking forward to seeing you at our first event of the school year. Happy baking!!

Upcoming Plans for this year….

We will be running our PJ Party in November and Mini Christmas Fair in December. We also have two uniform sales dates planned one in December and one in January.

Keep an eye on the dates section of the school newsletter and class WhatsApp for more information.

Dates for your diaries:

Wednesday 21st October = Yr4 class assembly at 2:45pm

Thursday 22nd October = Halloween cake sale and costume swap

Friday 23rd October = break up for half term

Monday 2nd November = back to school

Tuesday 3rd November = Year 2 science workshop at Whipsnade Zoo

Wednesday 4th - Friday 6th November = Year 4 residential trip to Grafham Water

Tuesday 10th November = Shared Learning for Reception class parents

Wednesday 11th November = 11am Remembrance on the Green

Thursday 12th November = 4pm - 7.30pm Parents Evening

Friday 13th November = Children In Need (more details to follow)

Tuesday 17th November = 3.45pm - 6.30pm Parents Evening

Thursday 19th November = Yr 5 trip to the Space Centre

Thursday 26th November= pm Teaching Talons visit to Year R

Friday 27th November = PTA PJ film night

Friday 4th December = PTA Christmas Fair 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Thursday 10th December = 2.30pm Year 2 nativity for Year 2 parents / carers

Tuesday 15th December = Key Stage 2 trip to the Panto

Friday 18th December = Christmas service in the church

Break up for Christmas holidays at 1.30pm

Learner Of The Week

Our Learners Of The Week are celebrated in our Monday assemblies. Each teacher chooses a child in their class who has gone above and beyond with their HEART Values. The children are given a Learner Of The Week badge which they wear all week and return on a Friday.

Have a look below to see who are superstars are this week!

*Butterfly Class: Ernie for **excellence** in phonics. He is always trying so hard, concentrating his best, participating with enthusiasm and showing such a keenness to learn. Well done Ernie!*

*Lion Class: Annabelle for **excellence** in her writing. She is finding so many opportunities to write - well done Annabelle!*

*Cheetah Class: Sebastian always has an **appreciation** of how to be in class. He is a fantastic role model, will ask for help if he needs it and works hard in every lesson. Well done Sebastian!*

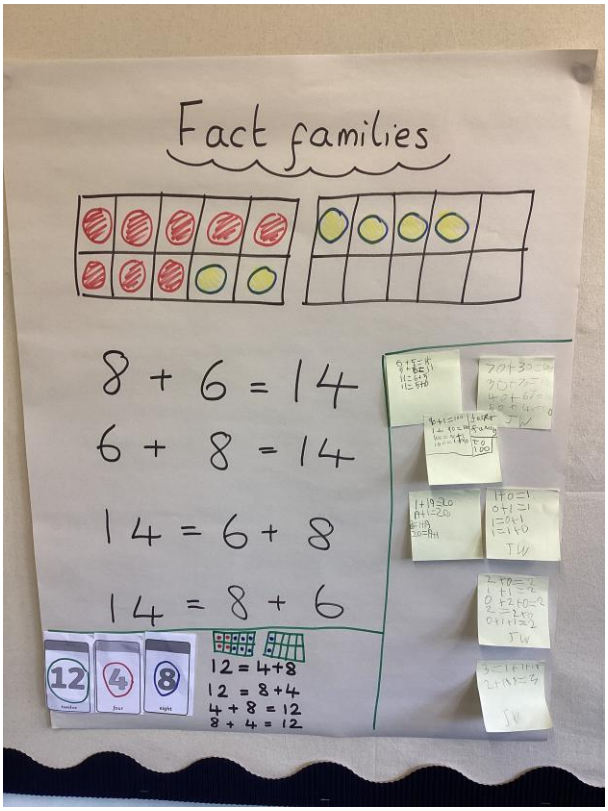
*Elephant Class: Teddy for showing **Appreciation** of his learning and being more independent with his reading and reading lots at home -well done Teddy!*

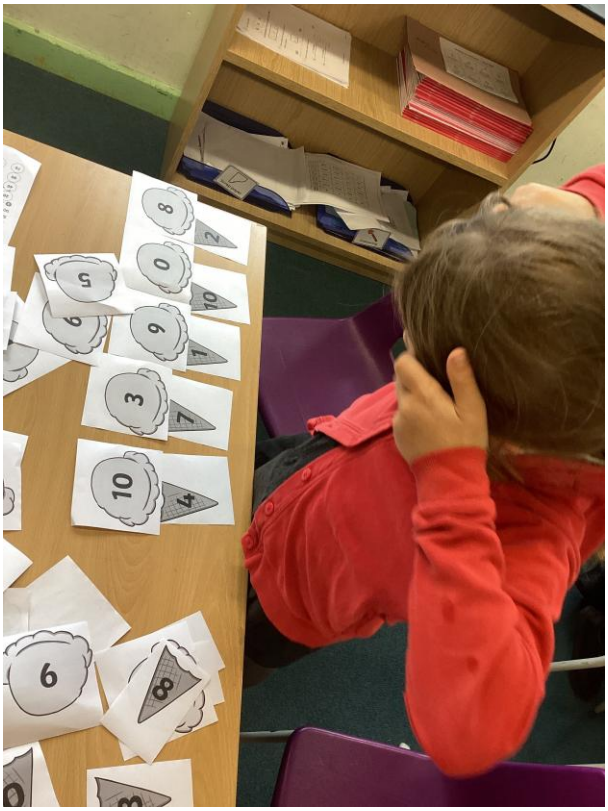
*Tiger Class: Dylan for showing **respect** to adults and children in the school. Dylan has also been showing **excellence** in his work. Well done Dylan!*

*Flamingo Class: Hattie for showing **teamwork** and **excellence** in all the tasks and activities set. Hattie goes out of her way to help children and staff where ever she can and actively participates in lessons. Well done Hattie:)*

*Giraffe Class: Our learner of the week is Harry for showing **excellence** in his learning and for being **respectful** to others. Well done Harry!*

Photos of our learning this week...

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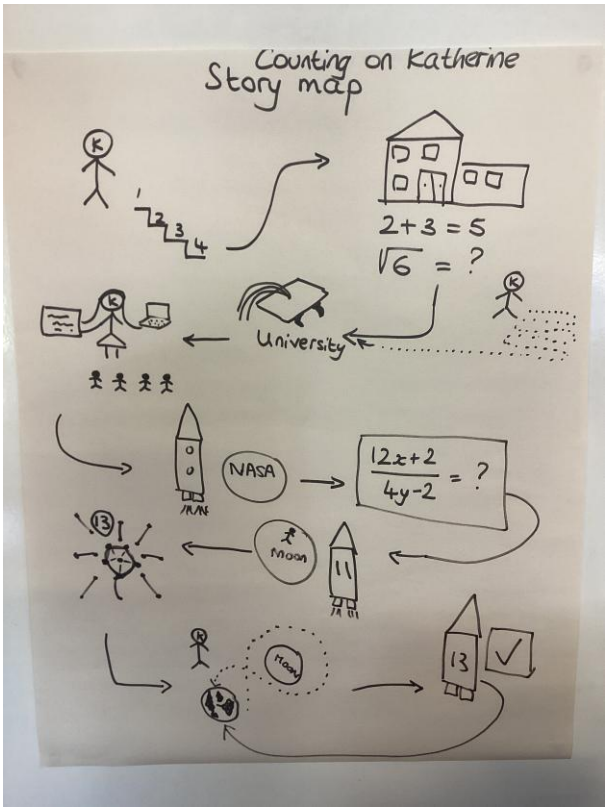
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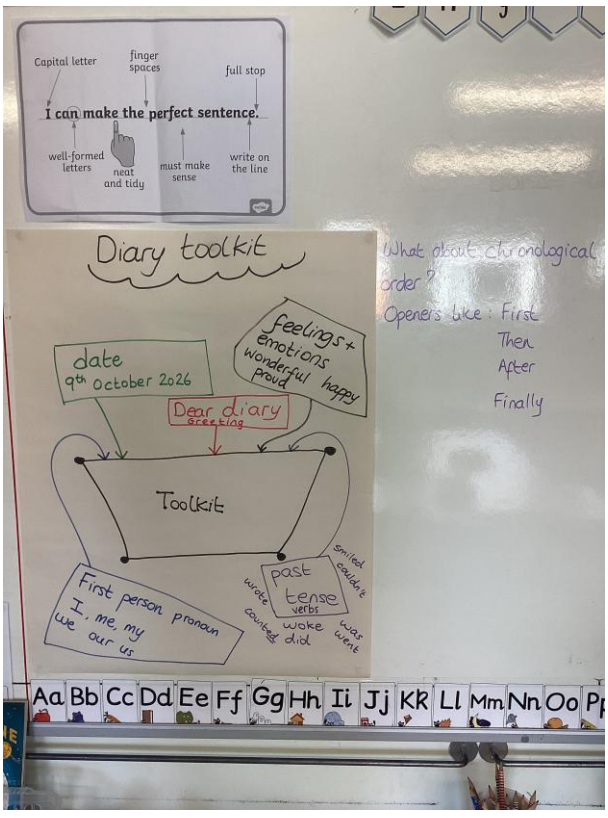
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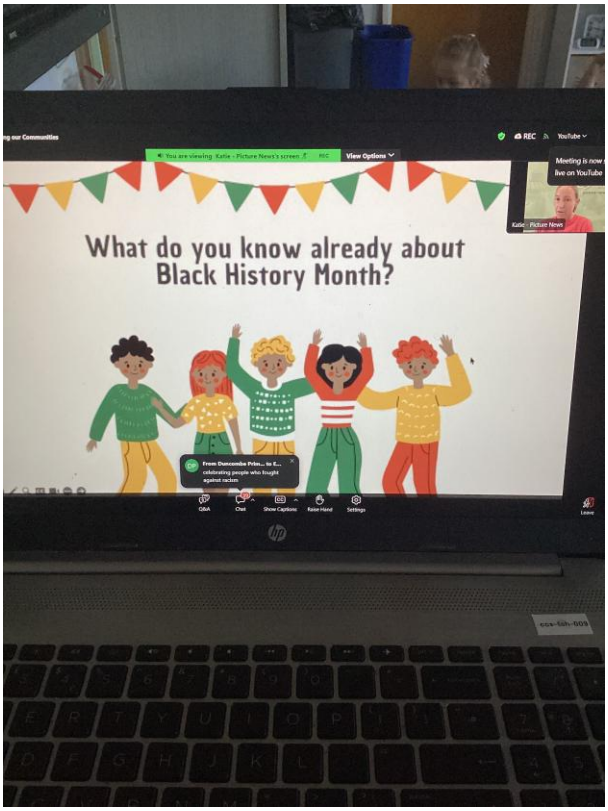
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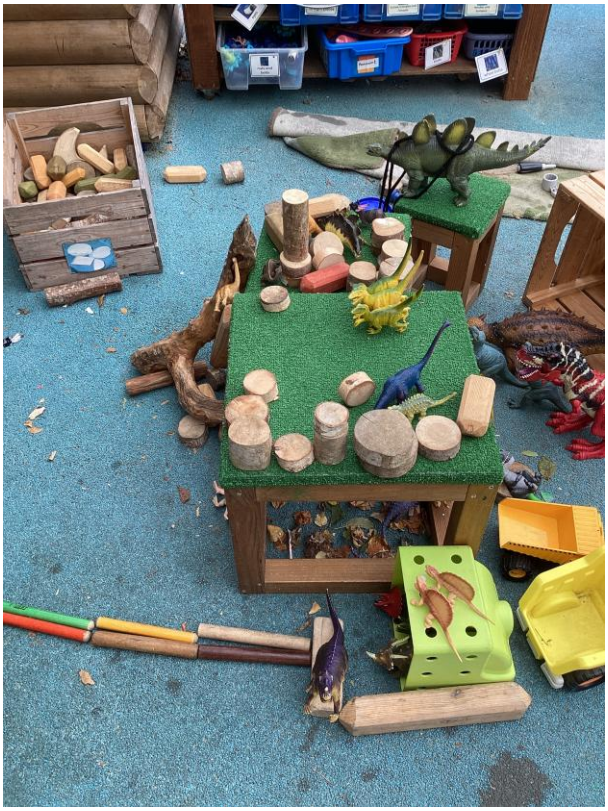

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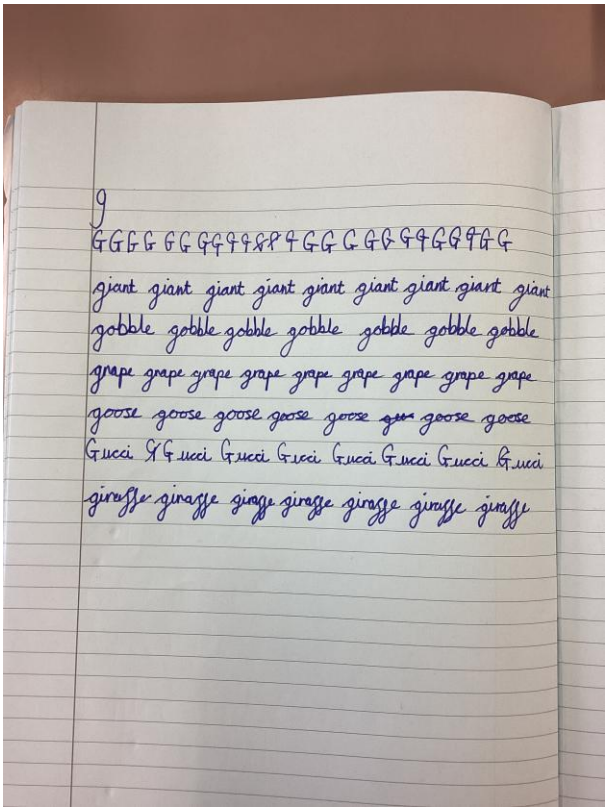
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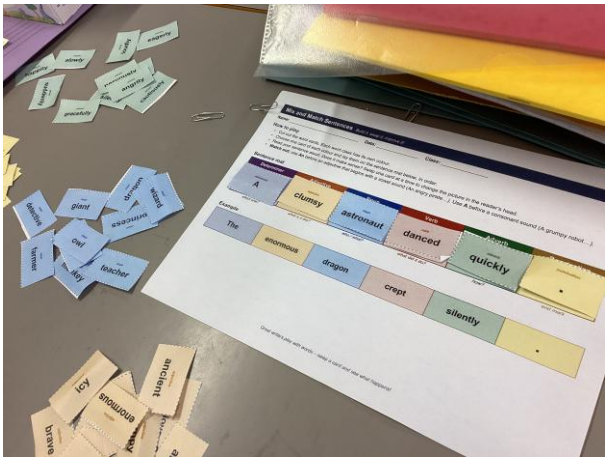
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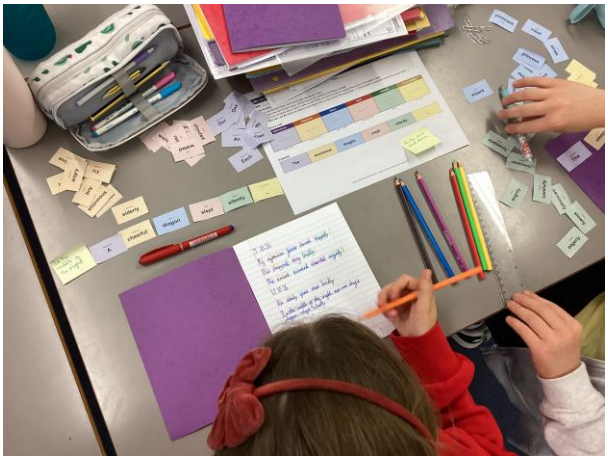
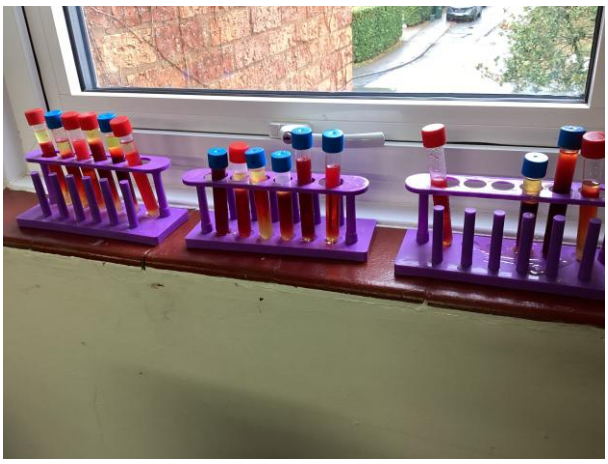
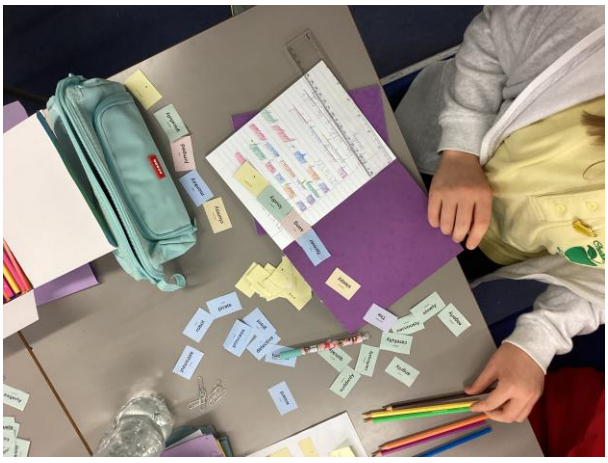
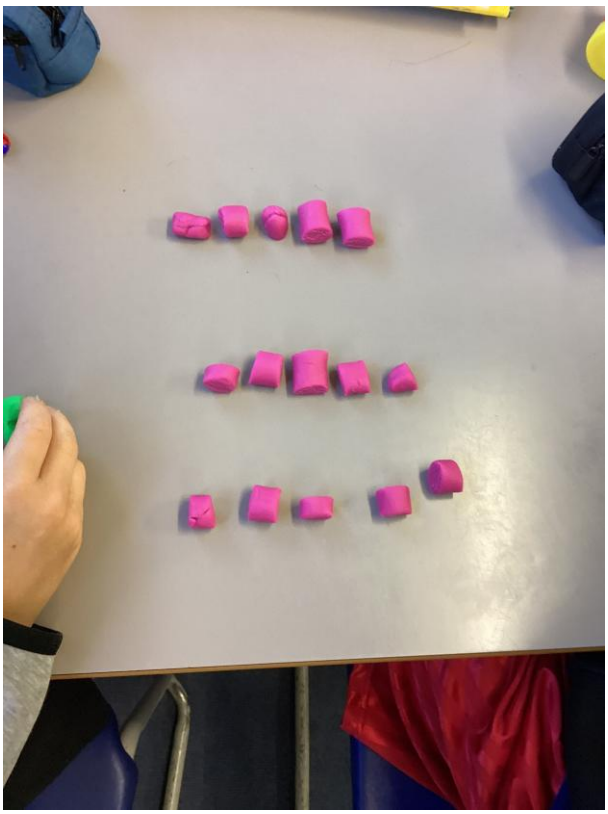
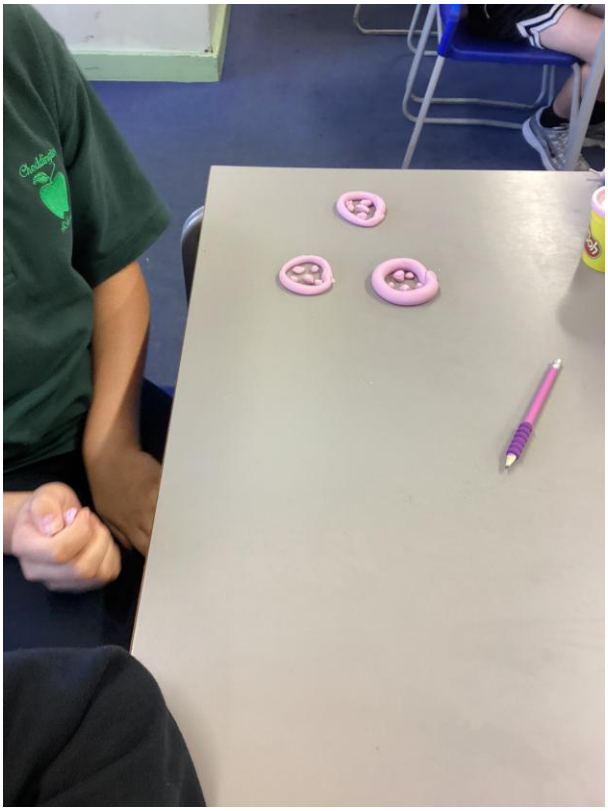


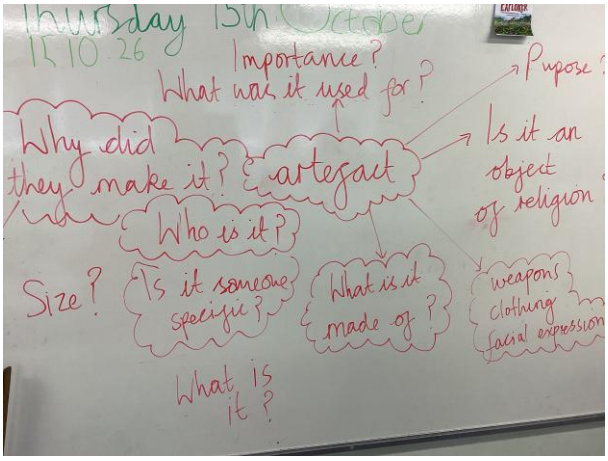




Giraffes
Year 6 Giraffes
Colour and style project.
Choosing and mixing colour palettes for a piece of work.



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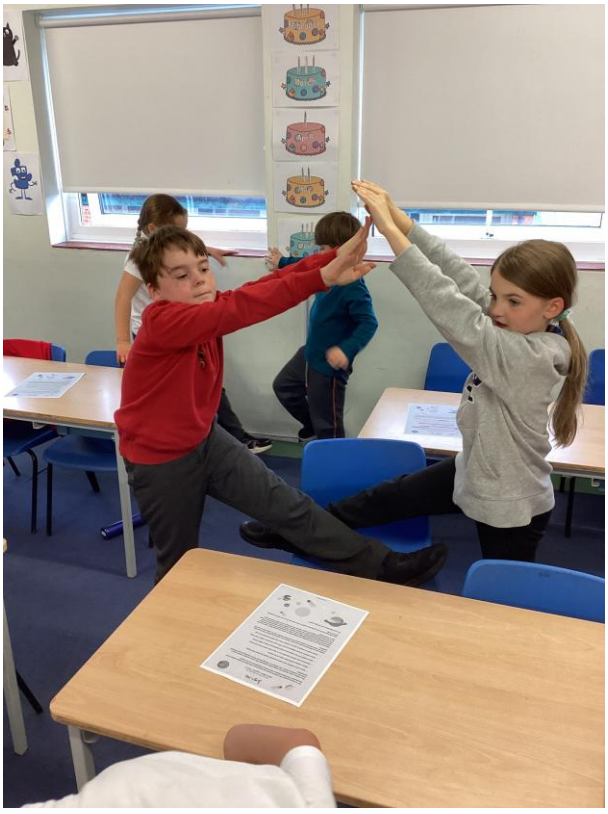

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