



Autumn 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have made it to the end of term in one piece and what an end to the term it has been! School has been looking like a magical winter wonderland in the snow and ice. We have been a resilient community, surviving the freezing weather and keeping everything ticking over despite the rail strikes doing their best to disrupt matters. The Christmas lunch on Tuesday was a highlight of the term and what a delicious feast it was. The hall was awash with Christmas jumpers and Santa even made an appearance! Another highlight this week was the return of our 2022 leavers who came in to school on Tuesday for a special assembly to collect their well-earned exam certificates. As you know, the class of 2022 was our most successful ever cohort and it was lovely to celebrate with them and their parents and to hear about their positive transition to college life. Year 11 students attended to support them and to be inspired to their own successes in 2023. Hopefully, we will be celebrating another bumper year of excellent achievements. No pressure Year 11!

As you will see from this term's newsletter, school has been the dynamic learning environment we have worked hard to create. We want learning to be active, engaging and enjoyable and you can see the fun students are having whilst they learn. I hope you enjoy reading the newsletter and talk to your child about how school has been this term as well as setting even more ambitious targets for the new year. But most of all, I want you all to have a joyous holiday and a chance to relax with your family. On behalf of all the staff at Cambridge School, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Yours sincerely,



Alan Campbell, Head Teacher



**School returns
Wednesday
4th January
2023**



Children aged 11-15 can get free and discounted travel on all tfl transport services with a Zip Oyster photocard:

<https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/11-15-zip-oyster-photocard?intcmp=55575>

Goodbye & Good Luck!



Elise Hagan



George Brown



Hannah
Goldman-Brown



Lachlan Burns



Maisha Begum



Sheree Moss



Tracey Bryne



Sue Chadwick



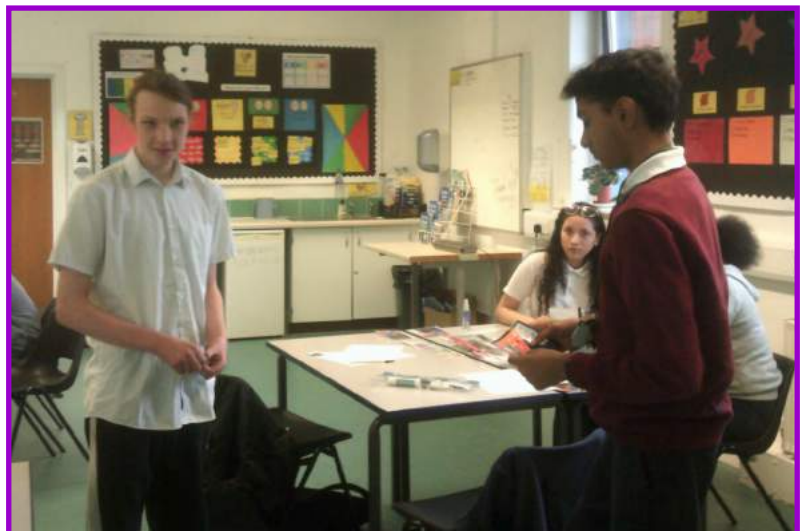
Beth Hemsley
Student & Family Support

**WE WISH
YOU
ALL THE
BEST**

Farah Class

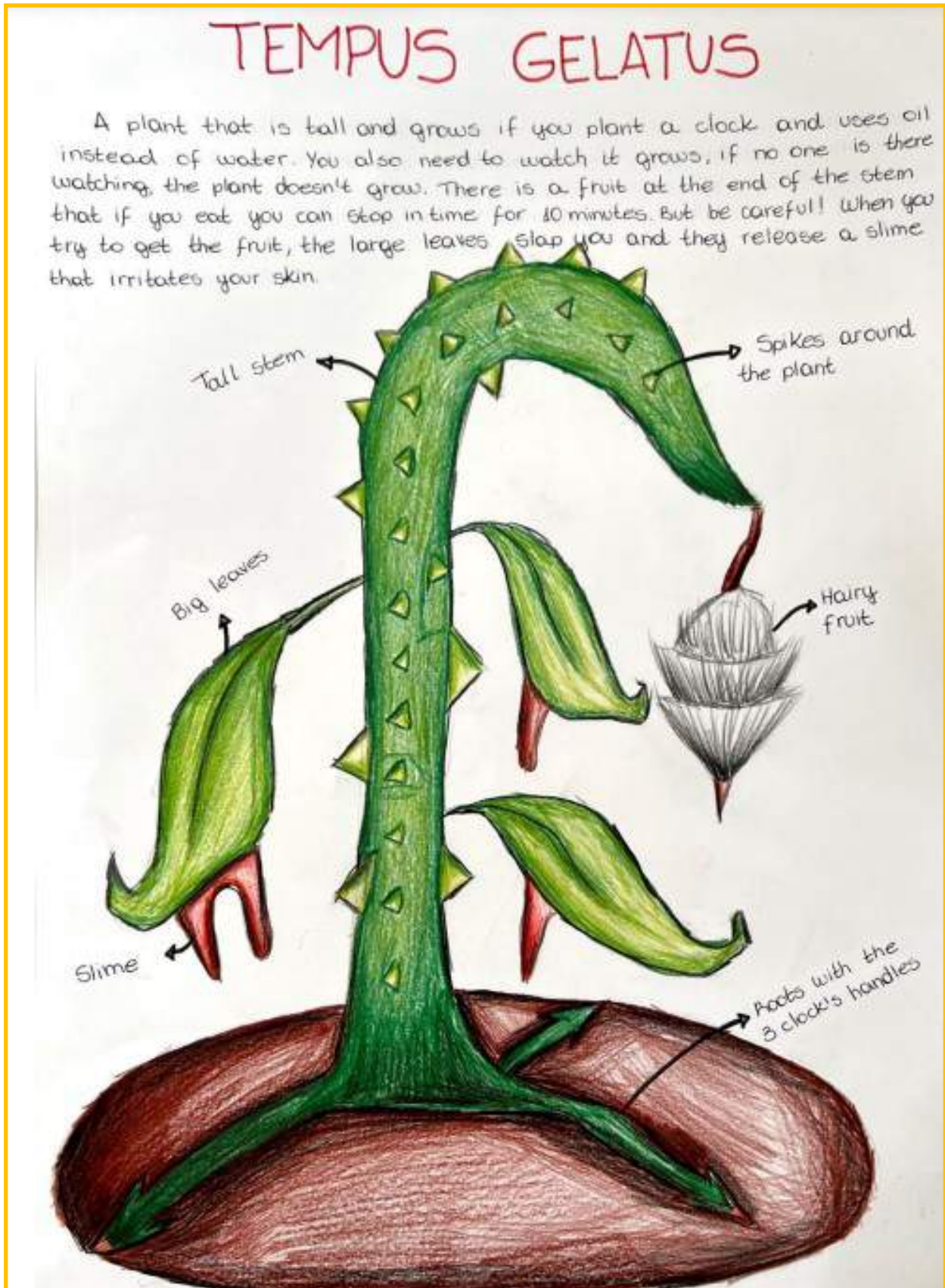


Farah class have been exploring role play in English as we learn about persuasive writing. In groups we role played working in the Apple store, attempting to persuade customers to purchase the new iPad. We researched existing advertisements, product features and drafted scripts for our role play. Each learner changed their voice, body language and worked on their stage presence to take on their role. After performances, we peer assessed each other's acting to help us improve. We continued our learning by writing letters to Mr. Campbell trying to persuade him to purchase our class an iPad by using conjunctions, connectives and adjectives to make our writing more complex and interesting.



Nightingale Class

Nightingale Students worked as a team to enter a competition by Warner Bros to win a Hogwarts Studio Tour. We are big Harry Potter fans! Students were asked to design a new plant that would fit into Professor Sprout's new Greenhouse set at the Studio. The drawing is by Abdulrhman and all ideas are from the whole class.



Book Fair

Cambridge School hosted a Scholastic Book Fair in November. It was a great experience for the students and staff alike. The students had a lot of positive things to say about it:

“I liked the stationary and the books that had toys on them.” Khari (Wiltshire Class)

“I got to help tidy up the stationary. I liked the books especially Charlotte’s Web.” Nicole (Wilberforce Class)

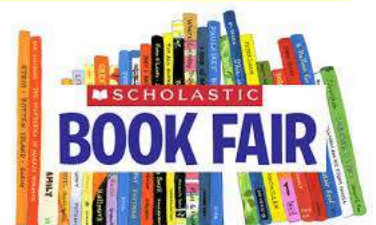
“I like the 3D bookmarks and the Gem Book. You have to break the sand/clay to get the gems out. ” Candii Mai (Rashford Class)

“I loved it, there were books that I had not seen before.” Levi (Wiltshire Class)

“It was a nice experience, the fact that you get to touch and see.” Bailee (Akala Class)



Sales were in excess of the Fair takings in May! This is great as our commission will be used to fund books for our Mobile Library Project. Many thanks to all the parents that were able to give their children money to spend. The next Scholastic Book Fair at Cambridge School will be in March 2023.



Jack Petchey Achievement Award



Jawad



Congratulations to
Jawad and Charlie for winning
the Jack Petchey
Achievement Award this term.



Charlie



Achievers Assembly

On 13th December we welcomed back our July 2022 Leavers to collect their assessment certificates. It was great to catch up with them and their parents, and to hear how well they are doing.



BTEC Business Studies

This term BTEC Business have been organizing themselves into groups to plan an event for the New Year. Abdullah, Yash, Shane and Eamonn have decided to run a Bake Sale whilst Anthony, Aiden, Pedro, Felipe and Ilias have chosen to host a tuck shop. All learners have been involved in the process of researching, advertising and ordering supplies for their events for the new year.



ParentMail



Attention all parents!

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It's so convenient to have all the
ParentMail services in my pocket!"*



*"Works perfectly! Texts, emails & newsletters all
come through. I can even make appointments
for parents' evening. Fantastic!"*



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Einstein Class

Six students from Einstein, and three students from Angelou went to the British Museum on the 7th of October. They participated in a Sensory Story about Ancient Greece. The Einstein students had good knowledge of Ancient Greece from learning about it last school year. The students were amazing, and travelled by train to and from the museum. At the Museum the students had a Sensory Story about Ancient Greece before lunch. After Lunch the students explored all the artefacts from Ancient Greece around the museum. They were respectful of other visitors and the displays while they browsed the different Galleries.

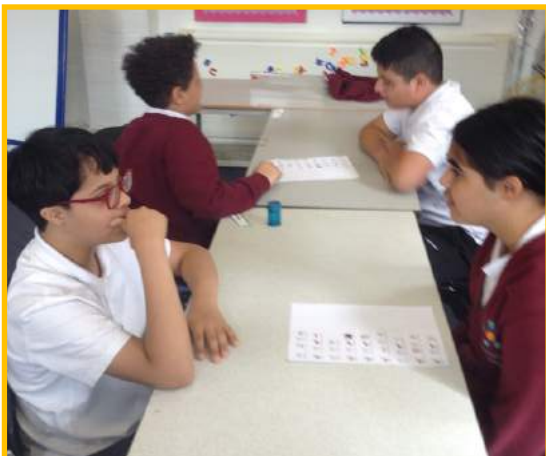


Learning Together

This term there has been some new students in Einstein, so we have spent time getting to know each other – As a group and as individuals. We have been working hard together with our Phonics, learning to tell the time, Sensory Experiences in P.E., and learning to recognize feeling in others. Einstein has quickly become a tight knight group that can show patient and be kind with each other.

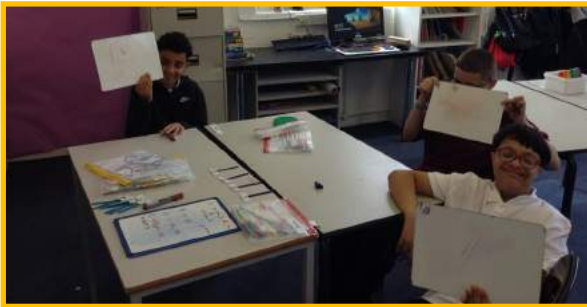
Communication

Having a two way conversation isn't always easy, but Einstein has made great progress and is communicating in more ways than one every day.



Phonics

Einstein are and are becoming exceptional in Phonics. Phonics is an important building block for both writing and reading. Einstein enjoys learning Phonics together through different games and lessons.



Sensory Experiences

Einstein has many Sensory Experiences though out the weeks, our favourite has been The Rainbow Parachute in P.E. Einstein learners enjoyed a full lesson using and practicing their fine and gross motor skills, experiencing different sensory inputs, and practicing colour theory knowledge.



Empathy Glasses

Einstein has worked on recognizing others feelings, why they might feel the way they feel and how we can help each other. We have done this through reading stories and discussions, roleplaying, and sharing our own feeling through Zones of Regulation.



Electric Scooters



It is currently against the law to ride an e-scooter on a public road or pavement.

We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can buy them from many popular retailers.

Current law

You can buy an e-scooter, but you cannot ride it on a UK public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on a private land.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEV's), so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements such as:

- MOT
- Licensing
- Tax
- Insurance

As e-scooters do not have numberplates, signalling ability and do not always have visible rear lights, they cannot be used legally on the roads.

What happens if I'm stopped by the Police

The Police will advise you of the current law about how to use an e-scooter legally and ask you to take it home. They may however still penalise you depending on the nature and gravity of the offence.

E-scooter trials

The UK Government is currently taking part in 'Future Transport Zone' trials for e-scooter hire, with a view to making them legal to use on the roads.

Enquire with your local authority for a trial closest to you.

Further information

Further details can be found on the following government website:
Powered transporters - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Word Search

MERRY CHRISTMAS

K F A M I L Y T R N K B J L H
Y M U T J C O R B S X G O J H
Y U P L R C A R O L S I Y I F
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BOW
CANDY CANE
CAROLS
CHRISTMAS
ELF

FAMILY
GIVING
JINGLE
JOY
LIGHTS

NORTH POLE
PRESENTS
REINDEER
SANTA
SLEIGH

SNOW
STAR
STOCKINGS
TREES

Wilberforce Class

Wilberforce class have been working super hard throughout the autumn term, including engaging with a range of learning activities to help them towards their English and Maths exams which they will be taking in January 2023.

Wilberforce class did brilliant in a recent Science experiment where they were investigating the effects of sunlight on plant growth.



Students have also engaged positively and enthusiastically in a range of practical lessons, including ...

Life Skills ...



and Food Technology ...



BTEC Hospitality & Tourism



Our BTEC Hospitality & Tourism students planned, prepared and presented a Christmas Buffet for the staff as part of their course work this term.



On Friday 18th November 22, our BTEC Hospitality, Travel and Tourism Group were invited to the Taste Restaurant at Hammersmith Collage. They were taken to the training kitchen where they were introduced to Chef Jeff who demonstrated how to make a vegetable stir fry. They were then shown how to lay a table and what each piece of cutlery is used for. The students were also shown the main kitchen to the restaurant,.



World Cup 2022

The students were asked to design a kit for this year's football World Cup





We have our
Winners!!!



Overall Winner—Lazaro



2nd Place—Theo



3rd Place Samuel



Green Pod Winner

Liam



Orange Pod Winner

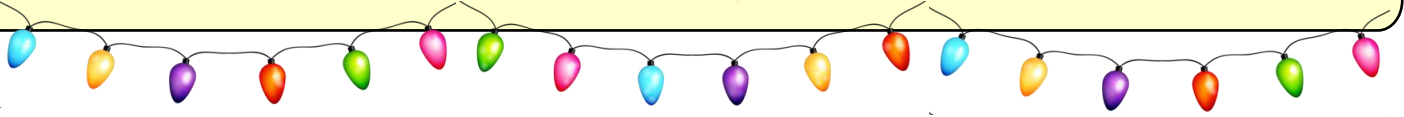
Robbie



Purple Pod Winner

Aaron J

Christmas Lunch





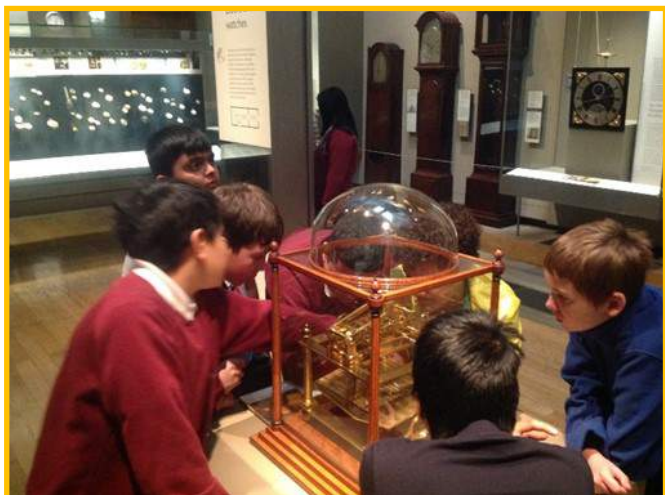
HUGE Thanks to everyone involved in putting together such a splendid meal!

Angelou Class

Angelou Class joined in with different craft activities, for the Winter festivals to be displayed in the hall.



Angelou Class went on some trips to the British Museum where we join in with some sensory stories about the Vikings, Ancient Greece and the Medieval times. We went on these trips with other classes within Orange Pod.



Akala Class



Santana, Cameron and Amin at our Enrichment Swimming class

Zac during our cooking lessons where we explored Chinese recipes



Akala class enjoying Performing Arts



Seacole Class

Seacole Class went to the cinema to see the movie 'Clifford the Big Red Dog'.



Seacole practised doing different household duties; ironing, folding clothes, making the bed and doing the washing up.



Shakespeare Class

Among all the lovely things Shakespeare Class have learnt during this term, I must say that the more relevant are... the use of google drive, slides, how to plan a trip using various app, read schedules, tube map, stereotypes, multiplying and divide fractions, create comic strips based on a story, information about important festivals.

By José - Class Tutor



Turing Class

Turing Class have had an eventful Autumn term this year.

We hosted assemblies about Healthy Eating and Remembrance Day for Orange Pod. All the students in class took part and we are so proud of them as some of them overcame personal challenges to be able to read in front of other students and staff members.

We have also been working really hard on numeracy, phonics and spelling and have been studying the Plant Life cycle in our Science lessons.

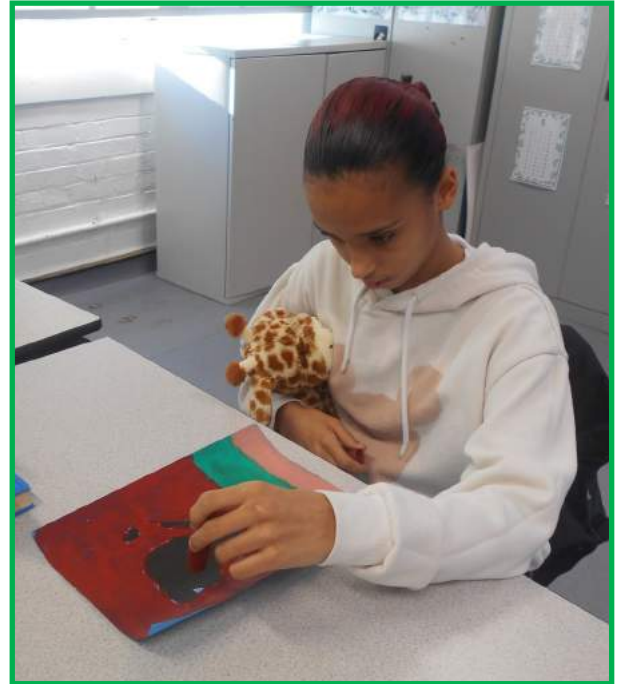
Turing Class have enjoyed a number of days out this half term, including a trip to the Vue cinema in Westfield to see Clifford the Big Red Dog, and a history workshop at the British Museum to explore Medieval Britain. The students were taught about The Battle of Hastings that took place in 1066AD between King Harold of England and Prince William of France and tried on armour/clothing that was worn, experienced different smells that were common in those times (some not so pleasant!) and were able to experience being a King for the morning.



One of our talented students, Hishaam Irfan has been attending dance classes outside of school. He was invited as a finalist to perform in a live event held by Dance Westminster at Porchester Hall on the 15th November and the class went to watch and support their peer on the stage. We could see how much he was enjoying himself and the amazing effort he had made in his routine.

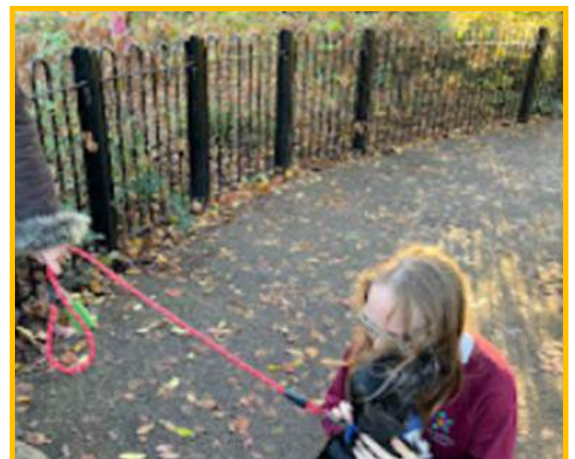
Armstrong Class

This term we are learning about emotions and the best way for Armstrong Class to do this is through creative art. We have been working with silhouettes and emotions such as fear, anxiety and anger. Each student picked their own silhouette and the colours that they were feeling at the time of this project.



Franklin Class

Two weeks ago, Franklin went over to the park to meet Boomer the puppy as a part of their Life Skills and Science topic “Looking After Home & Pets”. They all fed the dog a biscuit and some of our students overcame their fear of animals.



Rowling Class

Rowling class has carried out their first experiment this term in Science. Rowling class have studied the reaction of two plants with and without sunlight. Students have monitored the plants for just over a week to see if there are any changes because of the different conditions, and recorded their findings on a graph.

To our surprise our plant that we had placed in the cupboard strived more than our plant that we had placed on the windowsill!!



<https://www.gov.uk/cost-of-living>



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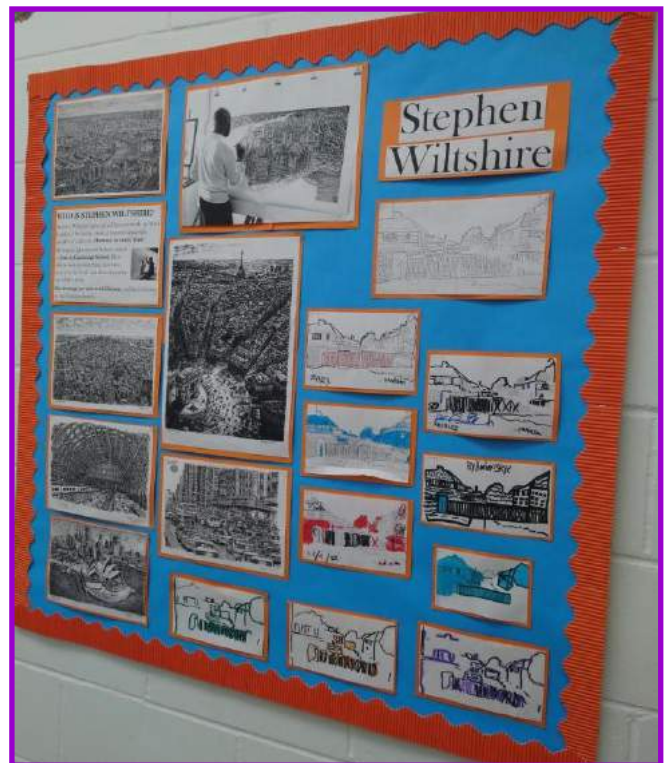
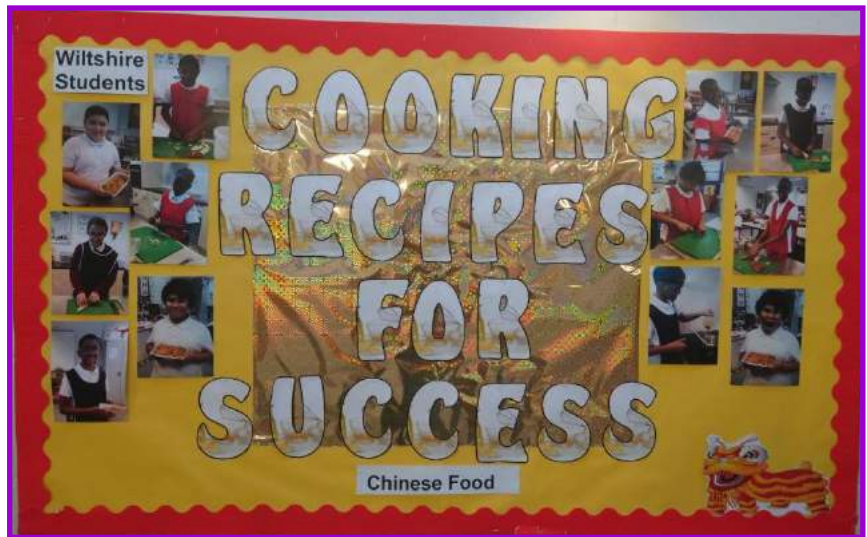
**Help with the
cost of living**

Colouring-In Fun



Wiltshire Class

Wiltshire Class has been doing excellent work in all areas. And impressing visitors to the school with their creative skills and warm welcomes for anyone who comes to the classroom.



Internet Safety Tips For Parents

Ask your children to tell you what websites, social networks and apps they use and what they like doing online.

Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find safety advice, privacy settings and how to report and put a block on the services they use.

Encourage them to help you! Perhaps they can show you how to do something online. Explore the internet together. Are there activities you could enjoy as a family?

Internet Safety Tips for Parents

DON'T BLOCK

Avoiding technology is not a practical solution.

COLLABORATE

Take an interest in your child's digital interests and favourite apps or sites. Consider co-viewing or co-creating at times.

BE THE PARENT

You're in charge. Set boundaries and consider filtering software.

YAPPY

Teach privacy: Your full name, Address, Phone number, Passwords, Your plans



Digital Citizenship & Internet Safety TIPS FOR PARENTS

RULES

Create a family media agreement with tech free zones such as cars, bedrooms and meals.

CRITICAL THINKING

Help children filter information and navigate fact from fiction.

LEARN

Explore reliable resources for parents so you can educate yourself.

UNPLUG

Balance green time and screen time. Focus on basic developmental needs.

COMMUNICATE

Work with your child to navigate digital dilemmas. Encourage open communication and avoid using devices as rewards/punishments.

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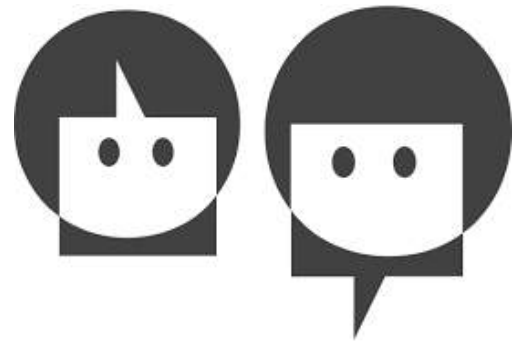
Don't support your child to sign up for 13+ sites if they're underage.

Don't forget
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- It can be accessed FREE through mobile phone, tablet, or laptop/computer
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Access <https://kooth.com/> to register.

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Therapy@Cambridge

For details of the types of Therapy available at Cambridge School please visit our website:

<https://cshf.co.uk/occupational-therapy/>

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School Uniform

Please donate to the school any unwanted items of school uniform in a good condition. Trainers of all sizes are also welcome. Thank you!



Attendance Award

HUGE congratulations to Einstein Class for winning this term's Attendance Award!

Angelou Class was second and Turing Class were third.

School Matters!



Term Dates 2022-23

Autumn Term 2022

Staff Inset: Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd September

School Opens: Monday 5th September

Last day of half term: Friday 21st October

Half Term: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

School Opens: Monday 31st October

Last day of term: Friday 16th December

Christmas break: Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January 2023



Spring Term 2023

Staff Inset: Tuesday 3rd January

School Opens: Wednesday 4th January

Last day of half term: Friday 10th February

Half Term: Monday 13th - Friday 17th February

School Opens: Monday 20th February

Last day of term: Friday 31st March

Easter Break: Monday 3rd – Friday 14th April



Summer Term 2023

Staff Inset: Monday 17th April

School Opens: Tuesday 18th April

May Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May

Last day of half term: Friday 26th May

Half term: Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

School Opens: Monday 5th June

Staff Inset: Tuesday 4th July

Last day of term: Friday 21st July

