

## **Celebrations**

We have had a very busy term. This term we have celebrated Diwali, Guru Nanak's birthday and looking forward to celebrating Christmas, spending time with our loved ones over the festival period.

## Our Christmas highlights



We raised £225 for Christmas Jumper Day. All proceeds going to the charity 'Save the Children'. Thank you for all your donations.







### Road Safety Awareness Week

We took part in Road Safety Awareness Week which is the UK's biggest road safety event. During assemblies our Junior Travel Ambassadors spoke about how to keep safe when walking or cycling on the roads, including practicing safe crossing rules and how to identify road hazards. Zak the zebra was out in the morning and at the end of the day highlighting road safety to our parents.



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A group of pupils from Years 5 and 6 were delighted to attend the launch of Debatemate in Westminster. They watched a live debate and had the opportunity to ask questions.



### Children in Need



Vicarage School supported BBC Children in Need by wearing their pyjamas to school. Thank you to staff, children and parents for the donations helping us raise £340.

### **Remembrance** Day

Our chair of Governors Revd. Quintin Peppiatt delivered a moving assembly to mark Remembrance day. The school held a 2 minute silence at 11am. The school raised £490 towards the British Legion Poppy appeal.







## Anti-bullying Week

Vicarage launched Anti-bullying week by wearing odd socks to highlight the message that everyone is unique and we should respect everyone's individuality.

Children also explored the theme 'One Kind word' to spread kindness around the school.



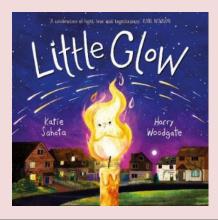
One kind word can change someone's entire day

#### **Reading for Pleasure**

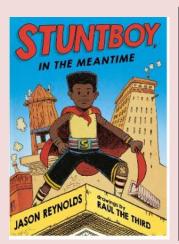




## Holiday book recommendations by Mr Miah



"The flame watches from afar as families in the street celebrate various religious and cultural festivals throughout the year, including Chinese New Year, Diwali, Hanukah, Ramadan and Christmas. But, as a family gathers around Little Glow for their own special celebration, it becomes clear that even the smallest of lights have an important purpose." **BOOK AIMED AT KS1** 



"Meet Stuntboy. He's the newest superhero in town. Or at least in his own head. He'll save you from baddies like Herbert Singletary The Worst and the Frets. Or at least he'll TRY to. And maybe someone will end up saving him too..."

**BOOK AIMED AT KS2** 

Children have really enjoyed visiting the library at lunchtimes and diving into a good book.







EYFS

In Reception, we have been learning about seasonal changes.

We went on a nature walk around the school and took lots of pictures so we can discuss the experience back in class.



"The leaves are orange and brown they are falling off the tree it's too

> "This leaf is orange red and brown, it is so beautiful, the season is autumn, the leaves fall down from the tree and die."

#### Year 1 Educational visit to the church

As part of their RE lessons Year 1 went to visit, St Mary Magdalene's Church in East Ham. Reverend Peppiatt, our Chair of Governors, welcomed pupils to the church. They looked at the figurines from the Nativity story including, The three wise men, baby Jesus, Mary and the shepherds. Children also admired the stained glass windows, lit the Advent candle, drew pictures of artefacts they saw inside the church and listened to the sound of Gabriel, the oldest church bell in London.





## Year 2 Florence Nightingale Visit

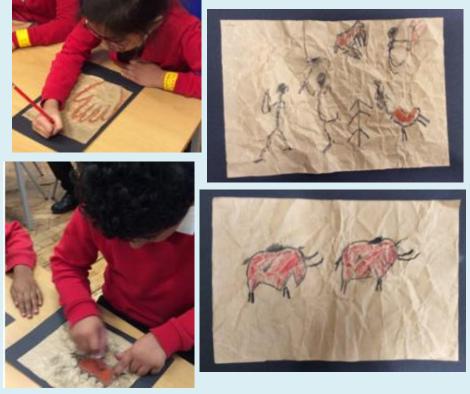
Our Year 2 classes had history brought to life when Florence Nightingale came to visit. Pupils were involved in various activities including role play as well as looking at and learning about Victorian artefacts, e.g. a bar of camphor soap.



Year 3 History- Stone Age Cave paintings

Year 3 pupils recreated cave paintings from the Stone Age era by scrunching up brown paper, using charcoal and oil pastels to draw hand prints and pictures of animals.





## Year 4 Roman Day

Children learned all about a day in the life of a Roman soldier including, marching in formation, which was extremely tricky, how to defend and attack and making Roman bread.

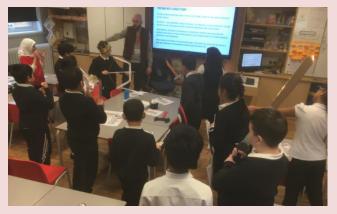


## Year 5 - Iliad Project

This term our Year 5 pupils took part in the Iliad Project, led by Jonny Walker. The Iliad Project introduces children and young people to one of the most ancient and timeless stories - Homer's 'The Iliad', the tale of the Trojan War. Jonny's whole-class retelling draws out the drama, rivalry and philosophy, and is shared with pupils in a way that is memorable, entertaining and age-appropriate.

Pupils developed high level comprehension and debate strategies, as well as techniques of storytelling and role play. The project has been a great vehicle for the development of pupils' oracy and performance.







## **Year 6 - Poetry Writing**

As part of Year 6 poetry unit pupils focussed on social-political issues (in relation to COP26) on deforestation and sustainability. The pupils wrote some deep meaningful poems to convey the message.

Poem 2: HEAR MY CALLING I am the Earth, 1 an wasting away, so please stop before 1 go astray, my trees leaves aren't swaying, please stop because 1 can't beep pray. ing, my lungs are dying, like snow my soldiers are falling, so be quiet and hear my balling. My trees are my children, they do eventhing I do, now you are beckoning them to you, I am strugging to breath, how it makes me want to see the, my lungs are dying. like snow my soldiers are falling, so be quet and hear my calling, Still HOPE is being delivered, so I am trying to calm down, but my smill is still a frown, plant more trees, to sway in my summer breeze, but my lungs are still dying, like snow my soldiers are still fallow but thank you for hearing my callin

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	Humming wind, Swaying trees,
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	Dewy grace, buzzing bees That's my have full of love.
	Times with water from of rave.
	Tractors and chansaus someunding me
	Where do loo? have do lescape?
	Bellowing black smoke that's all I can see,
	Tractors and chainsaus someunding me, Where do I go? hav do I escape <sup>91</sup> , Bellowing black smoke, that s all I can see, No guishing waterfalls, ruers or lakes to be.
	YOU can still save our land!
	You can stop this wing here'
	You can still save our land!, You can stop this living hill', For the earth is in Your hands!, Now we shall wait and only time will tell.
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	Poem 2: The falling friends
	We are natures gift and earth's beauty,
	Yet montgers still stach us with cold axes,
	We live our discriminatory wes,
	Sacrificing and guiling,
	Standing tail and provid, Yet monsters still slash us with cold axes, We live our discriminatory lives, Sacrificing and giving, And yet you still ungreatfully sure for more.
	Soon the brutality of karma will come biting
	back, year hand
	and then you will see how it feels,
	our purity is being stripped,
	Our beauty is being solin,
	back, And then you will see how it feels, Our purty is being Stripped, Our beauty is being Solin, Please stop this occlaw.

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Wishing all our families a wonderful Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.	Dates for your diary Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2021 -Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022- Christmas Break
Ms S Khan Head Teacher	Wednesday 5th January 2022 - All pupils return to school (Term 3) Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 - Number Day Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 - Safer Internet Day Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 - Children's Mental Health Awareness Day
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