

This Week

It has been yet another exciting and learning-packed week in Year 6. The children have loved learning and creating actions to Jack and the Beanstalk (ask them to retell the story with actions at home). In addition they were mesmerised and inspired by Louis' dad who came to talk to us about his work to support refugees and asylum seekers, especially in setting up a school for children from South Sudan. Another highlight was our science trip to Rothamsted Park to look closely at different leaves in order to classify them.



The fun didn't stop there; the trip to the St Albans fire station for a Crucial Crew workshop was informative and thought-provoking.

Maths and English

In maths this week we have revised the relationship between fractions, percentages and decimals and used this to help us solve one, two and multi step word problems.

In English this week we have started our whole school talk for Writing project using the story Jack and the Beanstalk. We have used drama and story mapping to help us sequence and retell the story, as well as empathising with the characters and justifying our views about favourite characters and most important scenes, using evidence from the text. We have revised parenthesis and the use of brackets, commas and dashes to add extra information and explanation.

Shakespeare Class

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Friday 17th March

Home Learning

I have been amazed with the effort and care the children have put into their tree guides – they are proudly displayed in class.

Maths pre-learning: we will be using formal multiplication and division methods to help us solve ratio and proportion problems. Please practise short multiplication and division.

English pre-learning – next week we will be revising adverbials. Please discuss and research adverbials of time (when?), place (where?) and manner (how?)

This week's **reading response** – choose a fairy tale character you like and one you dislike and write a detailed response for each about why you like and dislike them using evidence from the story.

The **spelling task** this week is to find examples of words containing the letter-string 'ough' and exploring the number of different sounds this letter string can make e.g. cough, though, through, enough, thought, plough

**Enjoy the Spring sunshine,
Mrs Watson, Miss Curtis and Mrs Storey**

Proud Cloud and Fine diner

Fine Diner

Barney: for showing maturity and being responsible in the lunch hall by helping to keep the hall tidy.

Proud Cloud:

Zak: for being a fantastic representative of Harpenden Academy, during our trip, to the 'Crucial Crew' workshop.

Next Week

It is **sharing morning** (8.30 – 9am) **and afternoon** (2.45 – 3.15pm) next **Thursday 23rd March** – please come along to celebrate your child's learning and progress.

Next **Friday 24th March is Mothers' Day Breakfast** after assembly in the library –please come and join us.

Year 6 are planning and organising a **whole school fun run on Thursday 30th March 9 – 10.30am** – please save the date and come along to support!

SATS are only 4 school weeks away - please continue to support your child in eating and sleeping healthily as well as working on their individual next steps from the SATs mocks last week. For many children, daily 'little and often' is the best strategy. Many thanks for all your support.