



The Borders Partnership of Primary Schools

Barnby & North Cove Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



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Reading Champions

Here are our Reading Champions this week!

Special Congratulations to Sam and Hettie who received their free book this week as winners of the Lucky draw!

This week our Reading Champions are:

Acorn Class - Jax

Oak Class - Bradley and Sam

Willow Class - Hettie and Sophia

Chestnut Class - Eric

Well done to all - 'Keep Reading!'

Can you read more times than last week?

Junior Road Safety Team

Recently the junior road safety officer team signed up to modeshifts which is an organisation which promotes and encourages sustainable travel. As a school we are really pleased to have achieved our first green environmental star for encouraging our pupils, staff and parents to walk, bike, scooter to school as much as possible and reduce using our cars and providing a safe environment for our community and children.



Message from Miss Danks—Acorn Class

Our big question this half term is 'Do penguins and polar bears live together?'.

We have kicked off the half term by learning about the northern and southern hemispheres and looked at the features of polar bears and penguins and looked at why they live in opposite polar regions. We will continue to build our knowledge next week on the different species of animals that live in each and find out lots of new fascinating facts.



In talk for writing we have also started a new story that links to this learning called 'Trixie, an adventurous fairy penguin.' We have been learning facts and about their habitat in the harbour of Sydney, Australia!



In maths we have been learning about shape and space and to practice using prepositional vocabulary have learned a fun new song to sing and act with our penguins!



Well done to our star and citizen of the week. Jax got star of the week for remembering so much about our new topic, lots of super listening! and Mia got the citizen of the week for always trying her best and participating enthusiastically in every session.

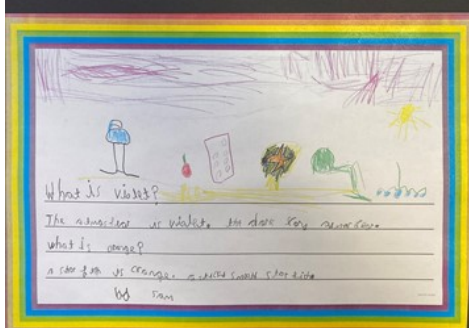
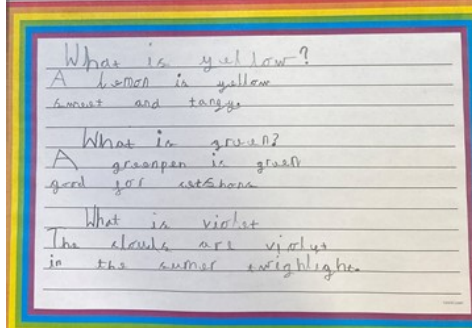
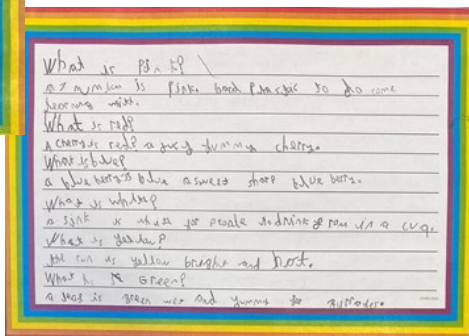
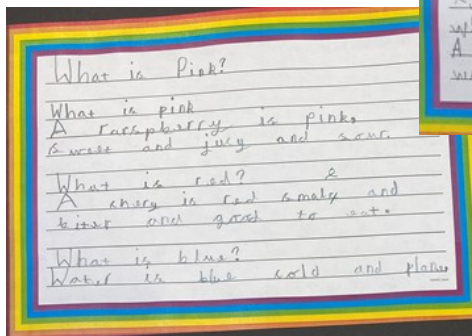
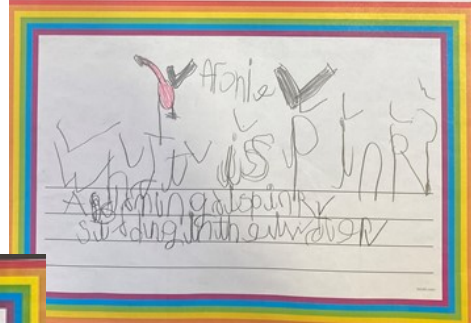
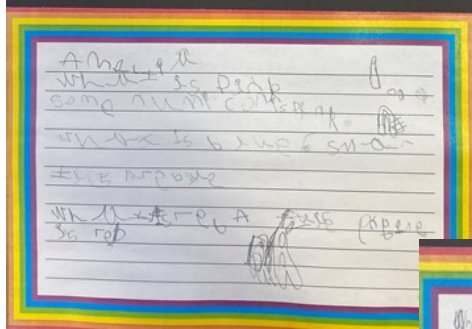
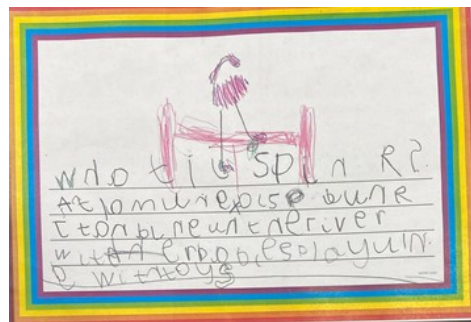
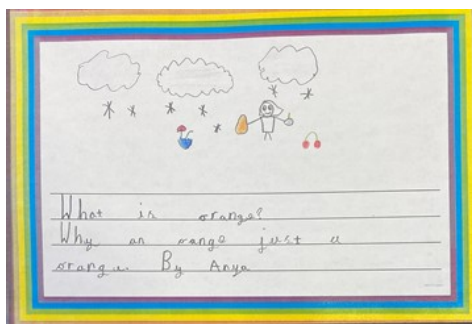
Message from Mrs Bramwell—Oak Class

A very busy week in Oak class this week! No sooner had we written the date for Halloween then it was almost Bonfire Night!

We have needed to get used to some changes in our school day with some lessons swapping days but Mrs Bramwell is nearly there now and we are remembering for her.

The most important days are Monday when we need our ODL kit and Tuesday when we go to the library.

We have all become published poets this week. A selection of our poems can be found here (and on Facebook very soon).



Message from Mr Huxtable—Willow Class

It has been fantastic to welcome back Willow Class this week. We have worked really hard with our addition and subtraction and the children have really impressed me with their problem solving skills related to this they have had a real chance to shine in our Barvember exercises. I have included one below so you can see just how hard they are working! This took real determination and resilience for the children to stick with this task.

A crate contains 5 identical metal balls.



The crate is twice as heavy as one of the metal balls.

The total mass of the crate and the metal balls is 42 kg.

What is the mass of a metal ball?

Crate



Balls



We have also been beginning our learning focus on The Stone Age in preparation for our visit in a couple of weeks time. The children have learnt scientists theories about the history of our planet and just how little time the human race has had to make an impact on this planet. Unfortunately, we decided this was quite a negative impact but thankfully our learning on sustainable development may help future generations take greater care.

These sorts of discussions have really contributed to our children's knowledge of their learning characteristics such as responsibility and sense of place.

Responsibility

**Sense
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Place**

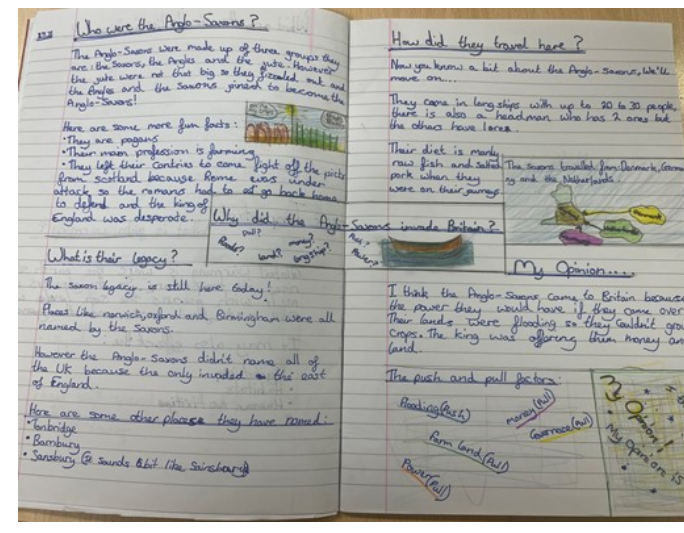
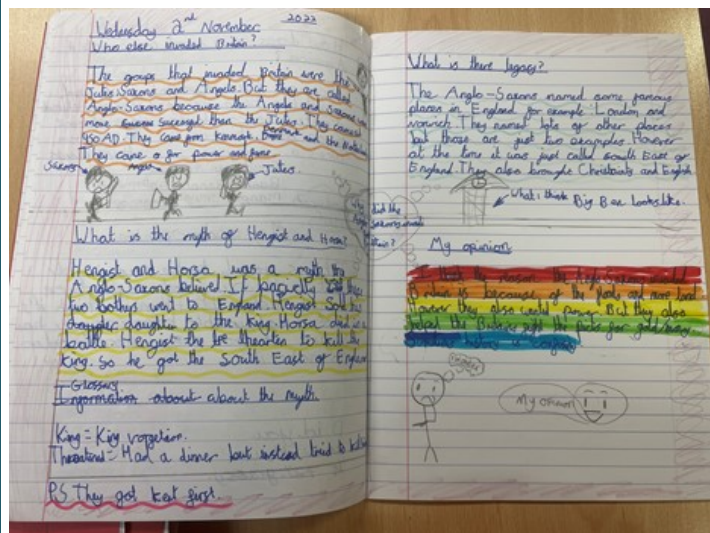
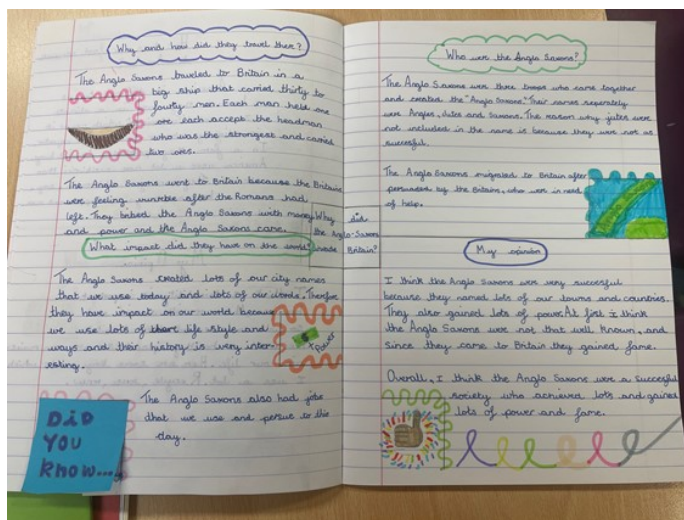
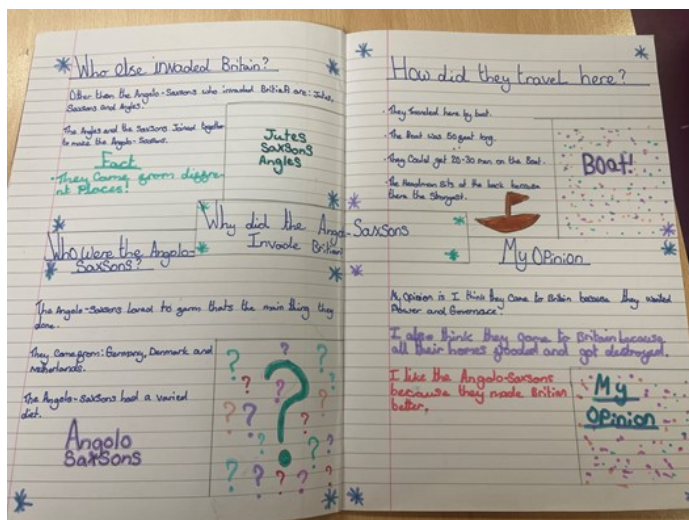
Message from Mr Lea – Chestnut Class

Chestnut class pupils have had a fantastic week of learning since returning to school!

In our Whole Class Reading, we have begun our study of 'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief' and also looked at texts that focused on the events that took place over 400 years ago to provide us with Bonfire Night - we found out many interesting facts!

We have begun our work on Awra Amba - a location of just under 500 people - we are all curious to find out in the forthcoming weeks why this community is so important in the world.

We completed our Double Page Spreads on our Anglo Saxon topic this week and we certainly impressed ourselves with the amount of knowledge and information we could recall. The pride we take in this work as Independent Learners can be seen with some examples below.



In English our efforts have been centred on raising the level of both punctuation and vocabulary in our written work. We have also focused on Paragraph cohesion! We have taken the inspiration for our narrative texts from Images and from Published texts and we look forward to building links by referring to the picture text 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan next week.

And finally, we have also been very reflective this week - taking time to evaluate the progress we have made towards our 'Hexagon Megaphones' Challenge from the start of the year. We rated ourselves out of 10 and then adapted our focus by considering a new Hexagon that we need to improve on! It certainly made us think about the progress we have already made since September!