



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

### This Week

This week we were half expecting to see Noah himself come past with a range of animals, such was the amount of rain, which seemed to hit us right at morning gate time. Hopefully everyone didn't get too soaked. Please remember to send the kids off with suitable jackets on days like this.

It was lovely to see an ocean of colour today in school as the pupils showed support for **Children in Need**, wearing spots and stripes, bright colours and bringing contributions. The total raised was £255. Well done.

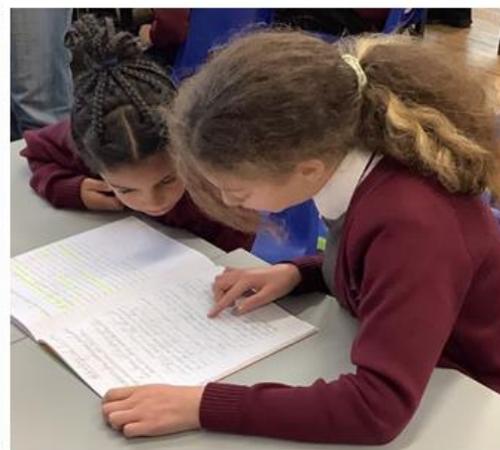
We are looking forward to the kick off of England's first match this World Cup. FIFA very kindly lent Avondale the actual world cup itself to show in assembly, which was very trusting. We promised to have it back to Qatar for the weekend. Key Stage 2 were tasked with showing great behavior during the week in order to have the option of watching the match at lunchtime on Monday, which they achieved.

Please see the email earlier this week about the raffle. You've got to be in it to win it!

### Photos from this Week:

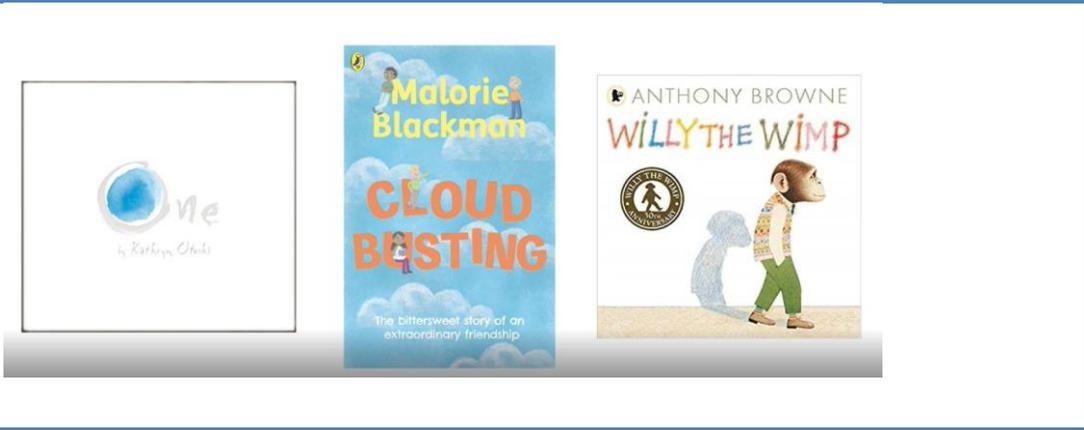


Year 1 conducting research to find out which vegetables are the most popular. We tasted some delicious veg and completed a survey. Our research showed that cucumber is the most popular vegetable in Cassi's Year 1!



In English, Year 6 have been writing alternative versions of the classic fairy tale, 'The 3 Little Pigs and the Big, Bad Wolf.'

They decided to share their new versions with some very engaged Year 2 pupils.



Our reading heroes have been working hard to review 3 new fantastic books available to the class to borrow. This week they are all themed around Anti-bullying.

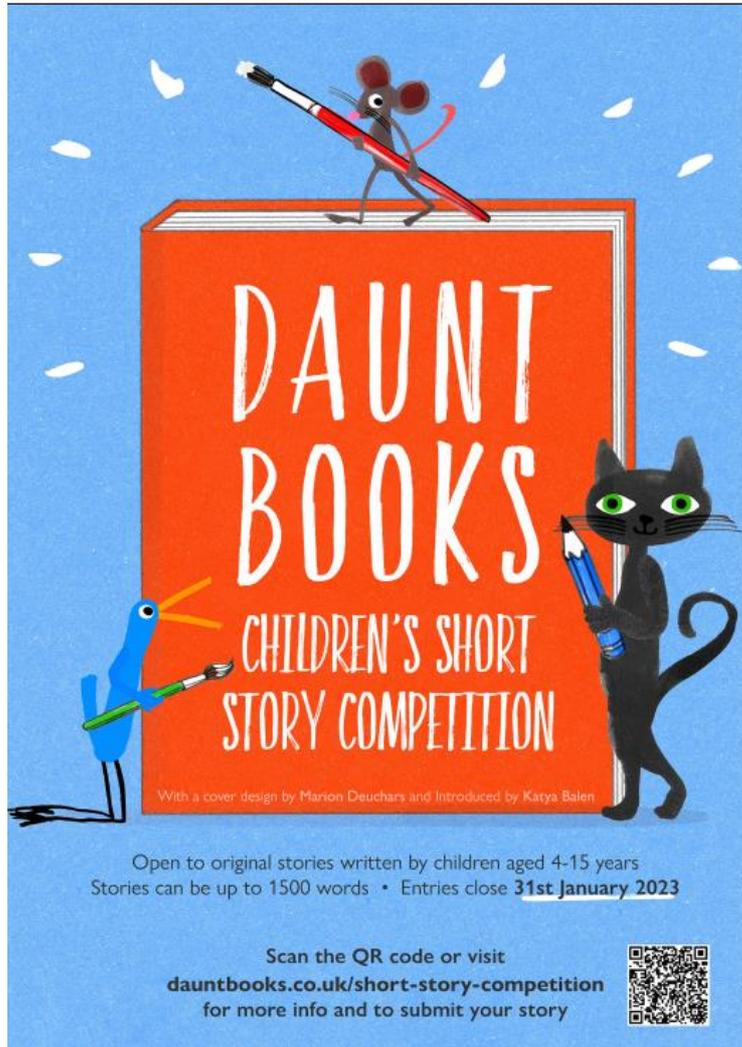


An example of a home-made Children in Need outfit today.

## News and reminders

### Events happening next week

Monday 14 November	England V Iran
Tuesday 15 November	Y2 Mindmappers workshop
Wednesday 16 November	Y6 library visit
Thursday 17 November	
Friday 18 November	



### Festive Season

We are getting excited about the Winter Festivities. There will be performances for all the age ranges. Some of these are Christmas songs, some of which contain lyrics relating to Christianity. We hope all pupils will be involved. If you have a religious wish to exempt your child, please explain this in writing, and we will provide alternative activity during the rehearsal, performance and Christmas parties. Thanks.

### School Tours

We offer school tours for prospective parents at 9am; here are the next dates. If you know of a family interested in having a look around, please pass on the info. Bookings via the office.

23<sup>rd</sup> November  
7<sup>th</sup> December  
10<sup>th</sup> January  
1<sup>st</sup> February

## Calendar

A live calendar for school events is found [here](#)

### Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission

#### Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission questionnaire

Please let the Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission know how you think the future memorial should be owned and looked after by completing their short [questionnaire](#). You can read more about what ideas for a future memorial the Memorial Commission has heard so far in their [report](#).

#### Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission drop-in 12 November

Talk to some of your community representatives at the independent Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission's informal, monthly drop-in. Pick up a copy of their [report](#), and meet their design adviser.

- When: **Saturday 12 November, between 12pm and 3pm**  
Where: [Henry Dickens Court Community Centre, 104 St Ann's Rd, London W11 4DH](#)
- There will be family activities and refreshments.  
Everyone is welcome.

Can't make it? Get in touch to arrange another time to talk the Memorial Commission:

Email [GTMCsecretariat@levellingup.gov.uk](mailto:GTMCsecretariat@levellingup.gov.uk)

Call [0303 444 4831](tel:03034444831)

Go to [www.grenfelltowermemorial.co.uk](http://www.grenfelltowermemorial.co.uk)

Follow the Grenfell Tower Memorial Commission on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)

#### Friday afternoon

School finishes on a Friday at 2.15pm. The full 32.5hrs of schooling is fulfilled during the week. For parents and carers in work or education who have no other childcare, there are a limited number of places and these are allocated following application and at the school's discretion.

#### After School Clubs

Thank you to all parents that have booked clubs this week. We request that you arrive on time at 4.30pm to collect your child using the main school gate in Gorham Place.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AFTERSCHOOL – 3.30pm – 4.30pm					
	<b>Yr1/2 Football</b> Matt/Ella	<b>Yr1/2 Multi Skills</b> Tris/Arzu	<b>Yr1/2 Arts and crafts</b> Mandy/Tina		
	<b>KS2 Judo</b> Kelly Judo/Alison	<b>Yr5/6 Football</b> Matt/Alison <b>KS2 Drumming</b> Joe/Mane	<b>Yr6 Football League</b> Matt/Alison	<b>Year3/4 Football</b> Matt/Izora <b>Year 4-6 Guitar</b> Joe/Arzu	

Please pay on the ParentMail App or visit the school office if you wish to book.



#### Stars of the Week



Nursery	Well done <b>ELM CLASS</b> for playing so nicely inside the Space Station. Amazing language is emerging from their interactions. We can notice how much subject specific vocabulary children are incorporating into their free play. Keep up the hard work!
Alexa's Reception	<b>FAHD</b> for beginning to use language to express yourself and share your ideas with the class. We love to hear your interesting thoughts. Keep it up!

Kripali's Reception	<b>VARVARA</b> for settling into Reception amazingly! You are starting to talk to your friends and adults with confidence and you're even beginning to read simple words - well done!
Cassi's Yr 1	<b>WHOLE CLASS</b> for working together to publish a wonderful recipe book. Thank you for trying your best with your handwriting. The book is now available in our book corner for anyone who would like to check it out and make their own fruit kebabs!
Emily's Y1	<b>IKLHAS</b> for trying her best in everything she does. For being a fantastic class role model with her brilliant attitude towards learning. She is kind, smiley and has fantastic listening skills. We love having her in our class!
Nana's Y2	<b>ARLONIS</b> for putting all your effort into your learning this week! You are becoming more and more confident each day showing great understanding! Keep being a super star!
Becky's Y2	<b>NAILA</b> for putting in huge amounts of effort into her writing. I've been blown away with the quality and quantity of learning she's completed, always making sure she's included a range of exciting new vocabulary! Keep it up!
Pippa's Y3	<b>WHOLE CLASS</b> for your outstanding behaviour on the visit to Gunnersbury Museum on Tuesday, and adapting to all of the changes this week. We are very proud of you.
George's Y3	<b>WHOLE CLASS</b> for behaving so brilliantly on our trip to Gunnersbury park this week. The children did so well in The Stone Age workshop and really impressed the adults. Well done!
Emma's Y4	<b>ISHAQ</b> for his super recall of our Science facts during our first Science assessment a about States of Matter! Well done in being a super Scientist!
Hanna's Y4	<b>OSMAN</b> for making a huge effort with his learning this week. He has tried so hard to be a good role model to his class and has made a big effort in his Maths work which is really paying off.
Francesca's Y5	<b>ISAIAH</b> for being incredibly focused during all lessons this week. You have tried really hard to be on task and ask questions if you are unsure. Keep it up!
Jodie's Y5	<b>KHADIJA</b> for always being focused on her learning, making great contributions to the class and being so helpful.
Natalie's Y6	<b>YASMIN</b> for your amazing attitude toward learning this week. In particular, with your incredible efforts in English. I am so proud of you, Yasmin. Keep it up.
Tim's Y6	<b>ALANA</b> for your fantastic effort in our writing lessons this week. You have included all of the key text-type features and produced a great alternative fairy tale as a result. Well done, Alana!

#### Attendance

*Attendance at school is compulsory and all children should be in school unless they are ill. If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, I remind parents that they need to contact the school office either by phone: 020 7727 7727 or via the Parent mail App or via email: [info@apsafederation.com](mailto:info@apsafederation.com) before the start of the school day. We are having a real push on attendance and punctuality this year.*

Thank you

The classes with the highest attendance in each Key Stage are below.

KS1 and Reception	<b>Kripali's</b>	<b>93.4%</b>
KS2	<b>Francesca's</b>	<b>97.8%</b>

The winners of the vouchers this week are: Amal (Y6) and Noah (Y2)  
And finally...

The world cup is nearly upon us, and while we are pretty amped about England and Wales' prospects, there are some dark clouds over host nation Qatar's track record on human rights and the working conditions of the migrant workers brought in to complete the infrastructure for the events (The Guardian recorded 6500 deaths up to 2021).

And on that note, enjoy the matches and have a lovely weekend.

[Ben McMullen](#)