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Hello everyone

A **big thank you to Joseph Chamberlain College** for hosting an enrichment day on Monday for our year 6 pupils. They thoroughly enjoyed their tour around the college grounds and participated in many different lessons including a crime scene investigation, clinical skills, football and still life drawing!



A little reminder about what's coming up...

**Monday 6th July — Y6 Sports Day for Y6 pupils only**

**Monday 6th July 1.30pm — New Y3 parents & children afternoon visit (second half)**

**Monday 6th July — Y5 Bikeability week starts**

**Tuesday 7th July — Y6 graduation day**



**Friday 10th July — Y6 Prom 5pm-7pm**

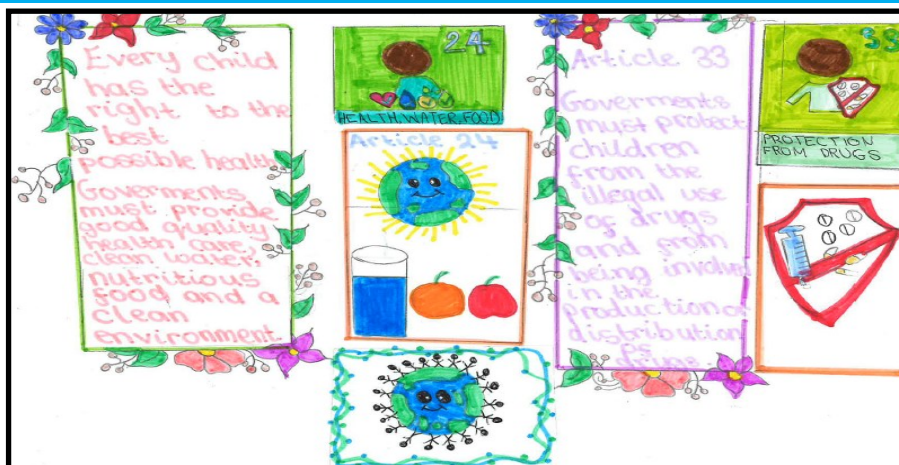
**Monday 13th July — Y3 Sports Day for Y3 pupils only**



Thornton's **Musical Word of the Month for July** is **Texture**: the number and types of layers making up the music e.g. lots of voices in unison, 4 voices in harmony, a solo, a duet, a melody with chords accompanying it, a round.

Have a great weekend everyone!  
Cathy Grace, Headteacher

## ARTICLE OF THE WEEK



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for every child

Article 33

BECAUSE  
EVERY CHILD  
IN THE WORLD  
HAS ONE THING  
IN COMMON.  
THEIR RIGHTS.

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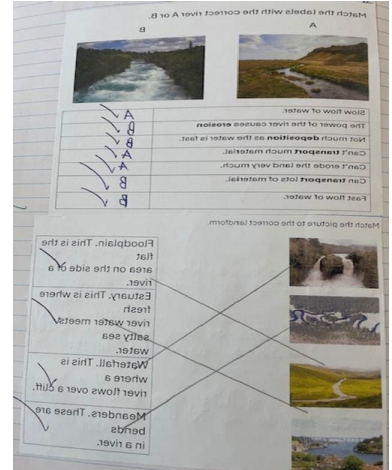
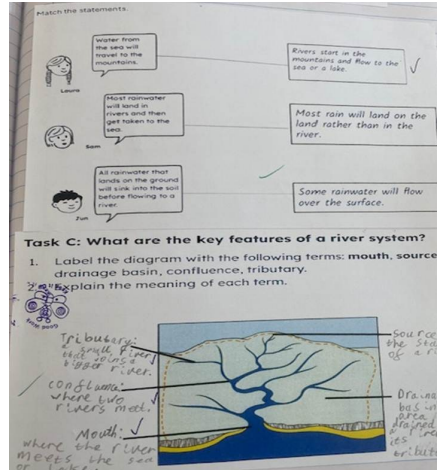
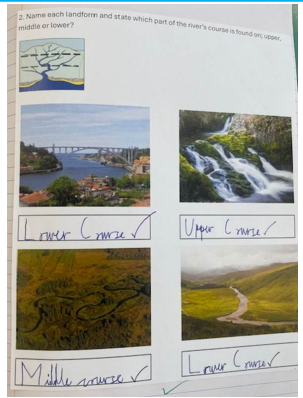
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## Year 3

This half term, Year 3 have been learning about the **journey of a river from its source to its mouth**. The children have explored how rivers change as they flow through the **upper, middle, and lower courses**, and have identified different **river landforms**, such as waterfalls, meanders and floodplains, explaining where each is found along the river's journey.

They have also discovered why rivers are so important, learning about how they provide water, support wildlife and are enjoyed for leisure activities. In addition, the children have investigated the key features of a river system, including the source, tributaries, confluence, channel, banks, and mouth.

It has been wonderful to see the children developing their geographical vocabulary and understanding of how rivers shape our landscapes .



## Year 4

Year 4 had an exciting and highly informative visit from our **local Fire and Rescue Service** this term. The firefighters delivered an engaging session which helped to deepen the children's understanding of fire safety, both at home and in the wider community.

During the visit, pupils learned about:

- ◇ The importance of having **working smoke alarms** on every level of the home
- ◇ How to respond safely in the event of a fire, including the key message: **"Get out, stay out, call 999"**
- ◇ The **dangers of smoke** and why it is important to stay low and exit quickly
- ◇ Simple steps that can be taken to **reduce fire risks** in the home

The children asked thoughtful questions and were fascinated to learn about the role of firefighters, their specialist equipment and how they respond to emergencies

### FIRE SAFETY TIPS

— FOR PARENTS AND CARERS —

Simple steps to help keep your family safe at home

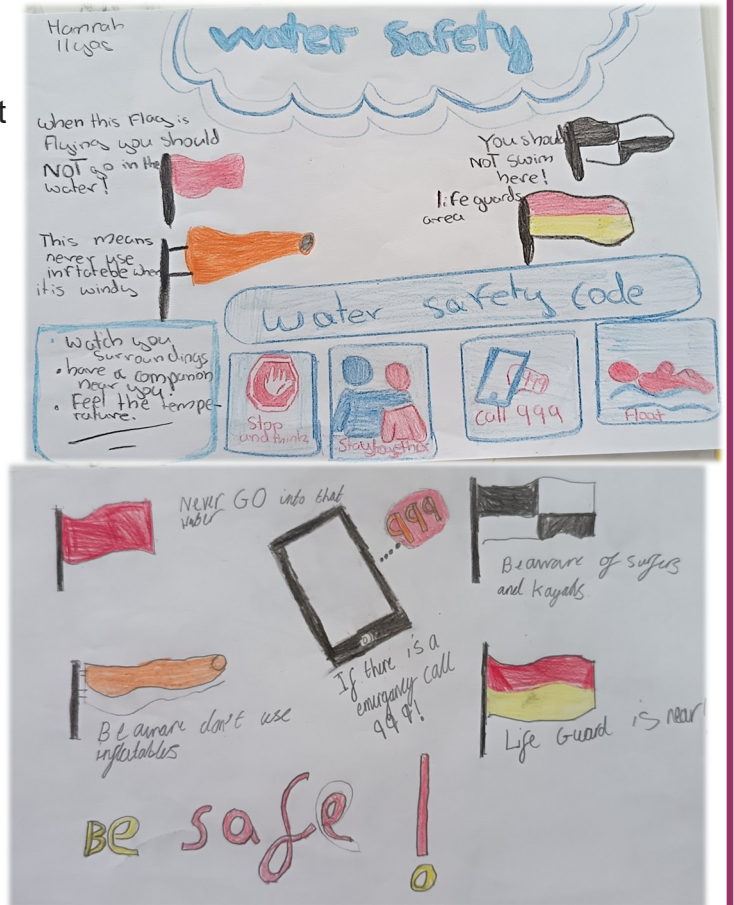
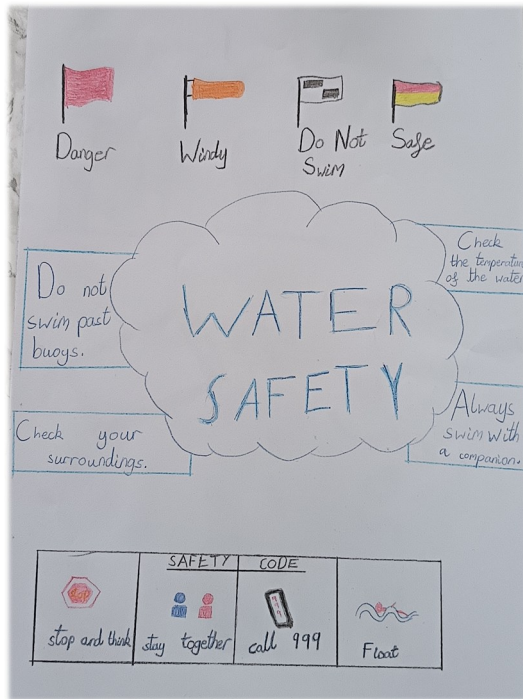
- 1 CHECK SMOKE ALARMS WEEKLY**  
Test smoke alarms every week and replace batteries regularly. Make sure you have alarms on every level of your home.
- 2 HAVE A FIRE ESCAPE PLAN**  
Plan at least two ways out of every room and make sure all family members know how to get out safely. Agree a meeting place outside.
- 3 KEEP KEYS ACCESSIBLE**  
Keep keys for doors and windows in an easily accessible place so everyone can get out quickly.
- 4 AVOID OVERLOADING SOCKETS**  
Don't overload plug sockets or extension leads and unplug appliances when not in use.
- 5 NEVER LEAVE COOKING UNATTENDED**  
Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking, especially when using oil or fat.
- 6 KEEP MATCHES AND LIGHTERS OUT OF REACH**  
Store matches and lighters in a high, locked cupboard out of the reach of children.
- 7 CLOSE DOORS AT NIGHT**  
Close internal doors at night before you go to bed to help slow the spread of fire.
- 8 BE CAREFUL WITH CANDLES**  
Keep candles away from flammable materials, never leave them unattended and make sure they are fully extinguished.
- 9 KEEP HEATERS AND FIRES CLEAR**  
Keep heaters, open fires and radiators clear of clothing, furniture and other flammable items.
- 10 TALK AND PRACTISE TOGETHER**  
Talk to your child about fire safety and practise your escape plan regularly.

**IN AN EMERGENCY: GET OUT, STAY OUT, CALL 999**

A few simple steps can save lives.  
Thank you for helping to keep your family safe.

## Year 5

In PSHE, Year 5 learnt all about **water safety** especially at the beach. The children found out that coded flags are used to make the public aware.



## Year 6

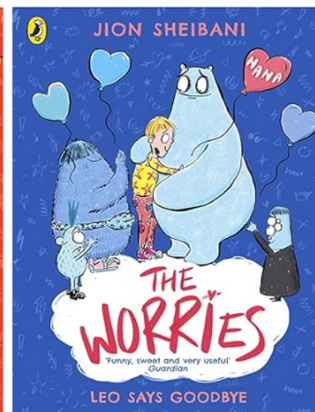
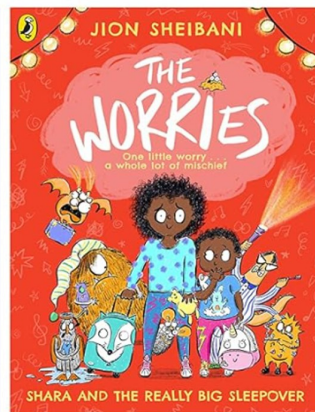
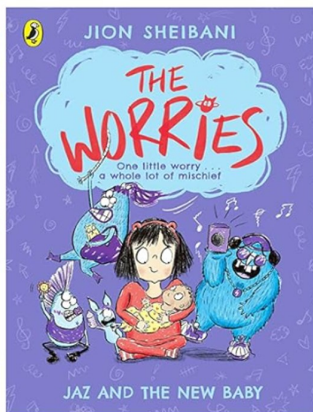
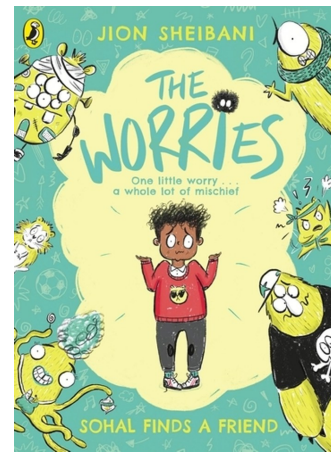
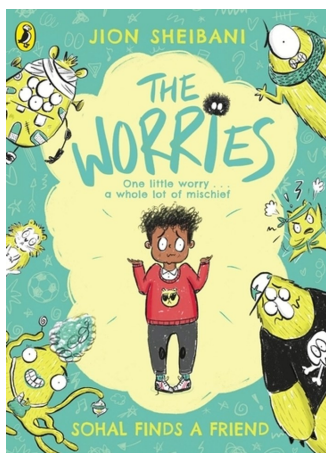
This week in PSHE, Year 6 have been learning about **the importance of water safety**. With the recent hot weather, pupils explored how to stay safe in, on and around water, linking this to real-life situations they may encounter during the summer months.

Children discussed a range of scenarios and worked together to identify potential hazards, such as swimming in open water, being near rivers or canals, and recognising changing conditions. They also learned about the Water Safety Code, including how to stay safe, what to do in an emergency, and how to help others without putting themselves at risk.



# 'Author of the Month' July

## Jion Sheibani



Jion Sheibani is the author of a series of books called *The Worries*.

The first book in this series, is about a young boy called Sohal. Sohal worries about a lot of things: the dark, mutant sheep, being alone - you name it, he worries about it! One night he tries drawing his worries to make himself feel better - and somehow they look a lot less worrying once they're scribbled down.

## PE TIMETABLE

Monday 6th July  
Year 6 Sports Day  
and Year 3 PE

Tuesday 7th July  
Swimming for 4NG  
and 4SH

Wednesday 8th July  
Year 4

Thursday 9th July  
Year 6

Friday 10th July  
Year 5

# DINE

WITH MIQUILL

WEEK ONE

## DINE

Main

Hot Dog      Meat Feast Pizza      Roast Chicken      Lamb Burger      Fish Fingers (Pollock or Salmon)

Vegetarian

Cheese & Tomato Pastry      Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake      Cheese & Bean Wrap      Veg Samosa      Cheese and Tomato Pinwheel

Sides

Wedges and Broccoli      Sweetcorn and Peppers      Roasties and Carrots or Broccoli      Green Beans      Chips and Beans

## DINE

Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta

Jacket Potato with choice of topping

Freshly made sandwiches and Salad Bar are also available



Lemon Drizzle Cake      Trifle      Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie      Flapjack      Rainbow Cookie

WEEK COMMENCING:  
13/04, 04/05, 25/05, 15/06, 06/07,  
27/07, 07/09, 28/09, 19/10

Fresh Bread and Salad is available daily with a choice of Yoghurt, Mousse, Jelly or Fruit instead of dessert

MIQUILL

## Dinner and Club money payment reminders

Thank you to all parents who continue to pay regularly into ParentPay for their child's meals and club payments. Regular payments can prevent unmanageable debts.

In order to help you manage payments, the office will be sending text reminders, letters and making phone calls to remind you about keeping your accounts up to date.

Please remember to inform the school office if your child's lunchtime arrangement changes because we don't want to charge you for meals that your child does not receive!

Please call the school office on 0121 327 0824 to let us know of any changes. Thank you!

## Healthy Packed Lunch

Please ensure you send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch consisting of a:

- **Healthy Sandwich**
- **Piece of Fruit**
- **Yogurt**
- **Healthy drink (not fizzy or energy types!)**



Strictly **NO NUTS** are allowed in school as we have children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send anything unhealthy in your child's packed lunch such as crisps or chocolates.

**Thank you for your support.**

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