



St Hugh of Lincoln

Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter



12th March 2026

Dates for the diary

- March**
 20th Y1 Class Liturgy at 9am
 parents are welcome
 23rd March Y4/Y5 Swimming week
 27th Final day of Spring term
 early finish 1pm
- April**
 13th start of the Summer Term
 20th Parent Book Looks
 21st Feet First Y3
- May**
 4th Disconnect to Connect presentations to parents
 2.45pm -3.15pm Y3
 3.15pm-3.45pm Y4
 6th Wintershall Trip Liturgy Leaders Y4/Y5
 11th KS2 SATS Week
 18th Y6 Residential Trip
 25th Half Term Break

Mrs Grace John 4:5-42

Dear parents and carers,

Jesus is thirsty and so he asks a Samaritan woman for a drink from the well. The woman is surprised because normally Jews and Samaritans did not get along. It was also unusual at the time for a man to talk to a woman he didn't know. But even though it is unusual, Jesus talks to the woman anyway. Jesus is showing us that God loves everyone. No matter who they are, where they come from or the colour of their skin – man or woman, boy or girl, rich or poor. We have talked a lot in school this week about belonging to God's family and how everyone is equal.

I was particularly touched by the confident presentations in Tuesday's assembly from three of our Muslim children. It was so inspiring to hear about how and when they pray and about the sacrifices they are making during Ramadan while fasting. What a perfect link to this week's Gospel of welcome. The World Book Day potato competition winners were announced this week. Well done to all who took part. The winners were judged by Fr Rob, Chair Of Governors Mr Isaka and members of the governing body and Mr Ellson. Finally, congratulations to the 11 members of the choir who performed at G Live this week and to our fantastic Y5/Y6 footballers who won their match against Brookwood School 4-0. Have a lovely weekend everyone! God Bless!

Mrs Grace





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The Choir at G Live Woking Primary Schools Music festival



Y5/Y6 Football Team: St Hugh 4-Brookwood 0

Hampshire Book Recommendations

Dear parents and carers,

Please see below this month's book recommendations from Hampshire Library. This can support you with finding engaging books for your children at home. If your children love Roald Dahl, these books could be for them!

Best wishes,
Miss Butler

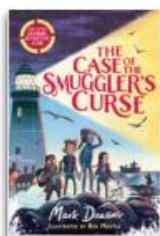
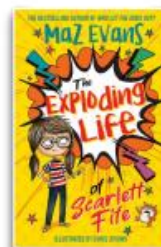
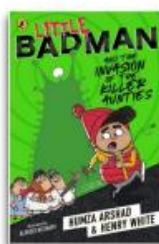
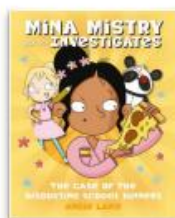
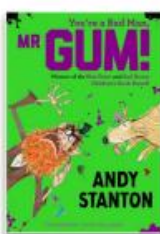


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**If you enjoy Roald Dahl,
you'll like these....**



News at St Hughs

Logging Absence

All 'on the day' absences need to be reported through Arbor by 9am. This needs to be completed every morning that your child is absent. We have removed our absence line on our telephone system. Below is a reminder on how to report on the day absences on the Arbor parent portal:

- Log onto the Parent Portal in Arbor
- Select Attendance under Quick Actions
- If you are using a mobile device press the 'three lines' at the bottom left of the screen
- Select Log Absence
- Complete the absence time (only for that day) and the reason for absence
- Press Log Absence

To report a future absence such as a medical appointment please send a message to attendance@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk at least 48 hours prior to the appointment.

Any requests for an absence for exceptional circumstances requires you to submit a request for leave of absence using the Microsoft form linked [here](#). This link can also be found on our website under Parents/Useful Forms & Links or Parents/Attendance. Permission will not be granted for holidays booked in term-time.

Absences not reported in the correct way may result in an 'unauthorised absence' being recorded.

Can you please ensure that you have downloaded the Arbor app and are able to log on to Parent Portal. The app can be downloaded for free via the App Store or Google Play. Please log on and check all information for your child on Arbor especially emergency contacts and addresses. Any changes can be updated via the Arbor portal. The portal is also a good way to track your child's school attendance.

Further help and information on using Arbor can be found on our website -

<https://sthughoflincolnsurrey.ovw10.devwebsite.co.uk/page/?title=Parent+Portal+%2D+Arbor&pid=170>

mary's
meals

a simple solution to world hunger

Thank you to everyone who entered the Mary's Meals colouring competition. We have raised the fabulous sum of **£77.00** – this will feed 4 children meals in a place of education for a **whole** school year. We had some wonderful entries and judging was difficult! Winners will be announced in assembly on Monday 23rd March. Good luck everyone!!

Cakes Sales

To continue raising funds we are also running two cakes sales in the outside classroom on the following dates:

Reception and KS1

Thursday 19th March (3:15–3:30pm)

KS2

Thursday 16th April (3:15–3:30pm)

If you and your child/ren would like to take part, please bring cake donations to the school office on the morning of the sale day. All cakes must be nut free. We would also be very grateful for any parent/carers volunteers and their children who can help with setting up and running the sale.



News at St Hughs

Ramadan Assembly

This week, a group of our children delivered a thoughtful and inspiring assembly all about Ramadan. They spoke confidently about their personal experiences of this special month, sharing what fasting, reflection, kindness and community mean to them.

The presenters really enjoyed answering questions from their classmates, and the rest of the school were wonderfully engaged.

We are incredibly proud of the children for leading such an informative, respectful and heartfelt assembly.



Mr Ellson's Camino Francés pilgrimage

In April, Mr Ellson will be completing the 800km Camino Francés pilgrimage from France to Spain to raise money for music education St Hugh's school and the other eight primary schools he teaches at. All funds raised will be shared equally between the schools and ring-fenced for music, helping to support instrumental lessons, resources, and continued participation in the programme.

Please see the link below if you would like to support Mr Ellson's pilgrimage.

LINK: <https://gofund.me/00549fe33>



Disconnect to Connect (Year's 3 & 4)

During April, Dan Newman, who is part of the Mental Health team at the Xavier Trust, will be working with the children in years 3 and 4 to help them understand the dangers of Smartphones.

On Monday 4th May the year 3 and year 4 children will be delivering a presentation to parents to demonstrate their learning. Year 3 will be delivering their presentation from 2.45pm – 3.15pm and year 4 will present from 3.15pm – 3:45pm. We really hope parents and carers will be able to attend.

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Lunch Time Clubs



**St Hugh's
Lunchtime Chess Club**

Years 3-6

Beginners welcome



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Sessions will run from Monday 13th April to Monday 13th July 2026 (12 weeks)

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Cost: £60

Contact Paul/Jo at paulwellingchess@gmail.com for more information



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Please see below link for more information about other clubs run in school:
<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/parents/school-clubs>

Information Board

School Development Fund (managed by the Governors)

Thank you to all the parents and carers who make voluntary contributions to our School Development Fund.

At St Hugh we want to provide the best education to enable every child to thrive, and with your support, your child can enjoy even richer learning experiences.

Our School Development Fund turns parent contributions into meaningful enhancements, from vibrant classrooms to exciting opportunities that go beyond the everyday curriculum. Whether it's upgrading facilities, investing in innovative learning tools, or creating inspiring spaces, your donation helps ensure your child has the best possible environment to learn, grow, and thrive.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community, the School Development Fund has already supported a range of exciting improvements and enrichment opportunities, including:

- Replacing the old boiler;
- Creating the multi-use games area (MUGA);
- Investing in a new IT server and 30 laptops for the children to use in class;
- Creation and on-going maintenance of the Creation Garden;
- Upgraded classroom technology, including interactive whiteboards and tablets;
- Our new History Timeline; and
- Choral Singing Programme – who are the 2025 winners of The Millennium Shield.

These are just a few examples of how your support is making a lasting impact and there's so much more we can do together. Every donation makes a difference however big or small. If you are able, please consider monthly donations or a one-off gift. All donations are handled confidentially. It's really easy to make a donation via CAF Donate link below:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/24548#!/DonationDetails>

or use the QR code



Thank you for supporting the future of St Hugh's pupils.



Upcoming Events

Thurs 19th March
6.30pm
School Staff Room

Friends Meeting

Agenda: Summer Fayre
Please join to help
shape this year's event.

Thurs 26th March
During School

Easter Bunny Run

See Sponsored Easter
Bunny Run Pack

Thurs 30th April
6.30pm
School Staff Room

Friends Meeting

Agenda: TBC

Date for the Diary:
Summer Fayre Sat 27th June

Thank you to the team for organising the Mothering Day shop, the children had a lovely time choosing their special gifts.



THE GOVERNORS & THE FRIENDS

SPONSORED EASTER BUNNY RUN & COLOURING COMPETITION

26 MARCH 2026 | DURING PE LESSON

Packs have been sent home in the children's bags this week, or see email for more information



PLEASE SPONSOR GENEROUSLY!

Reception – Saint Bernadette

On Wednesday, Reception had some very exciting visitors... A real crew from Surrey Fire and Rescue! The children listened so beautifully as they learnt about some of the specialist clothing and equipment used to help rescue people in an emergency. They were lucky enough to be invited inside the fire engine and even had a go at using the hose! What a privilege to be visited by these real-life superheroes!



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Phonics

Group C – <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/IZokfLD0/DxgyfkCc>

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Green - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/vIRoDvhG/2X6DnZRY>

Year 1 - Saint George

This week, Year 1 continued their learning about sculptures in Art. We are preparing to create our final piece using 3D drawing. The children have worked hard to practise their 3D sculpting skills through folding and bending paper, for example creating bridges, zigzags and overlapping shapes.

In Computing, the learners continued exploring robots. We discussed the types of robots we have seen in everyday life, and the children were amazed to discover that even some of our hoovers are robots! Working in groups, they gave our Bee-Bots multiple-step instructions to move around the classroom.

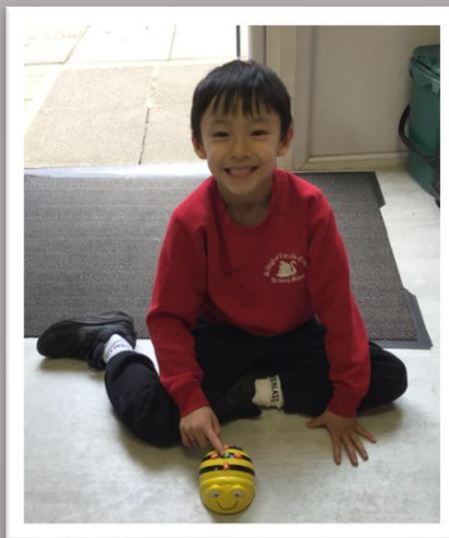


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Purple group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/KqLnHLSF/3TobbDwO>

Yellow group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6H4BFpmo/GC9JGvFI>

Blue group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6H4BFpmo/GC9JGvFI>



Year 2 - Saint Francis

Incredibly proud of Year 2 this week. It has been busy and they have shown resilience and positivity all week. In Literacy, we have learnt about rhyming words and the class wrote their own poems about animals and food, based on Robert Hull's poem 'Please do not feed the animals'. This coincides with the new Master Readers book 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' which we have begun studying. In Maths, we have moved onto measurement, looking at Length and Height this week. Last but very much not least, what a fantastic class Liturgy. The children spoke so clearly and were proud to celebrate with Father Rob and their families.



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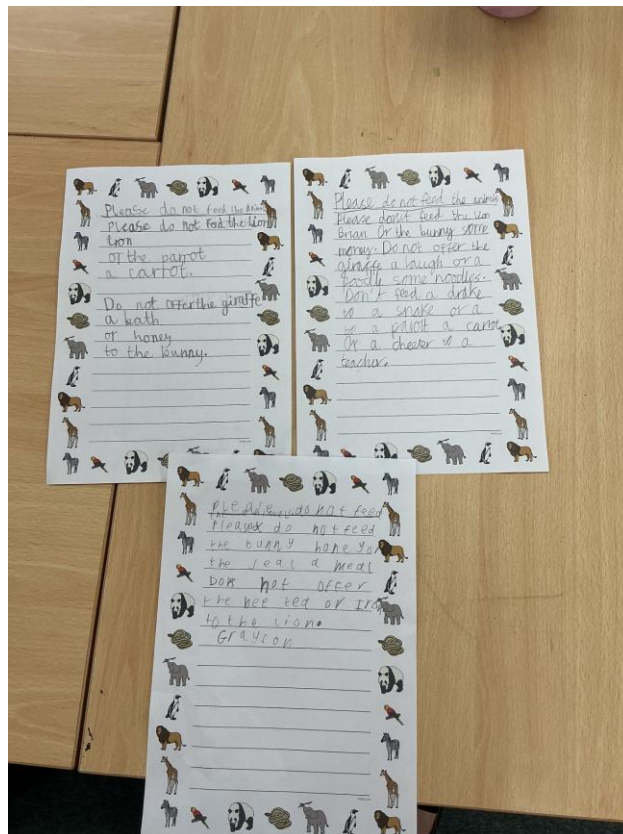
Grey Group:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/IFknHTDA/et6VPudI>

This week's spelling rule: If the word ends in a consonant +y we swap the y for an i before adding -ed. Example: try - tried

Focus words: brother, ask, bought, parents, clothes

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Spelling



Year 3 - Saint Veronica

This week in Year 3, we've been exploring what happens to plants when they don't get enough water. We've been observing how our basil plants change when they receive different amounts of water. We've noticed how quickly some of them begin to wilt and how others stay healthy for longer, which has helped us understand just how important water is for keeping plants strong. We've been recording our observations, comparing the plants each day, and discussing why these changes happen. It's been fascinating to see how living things respond to their environment.



Our spelling rule this week is: Adding the suffix -ly
For example: suddenly, humbly, gently, completely, carefully, finally
Orange words: separate, accident, build, naughty, imagine, quarter

Year 4 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

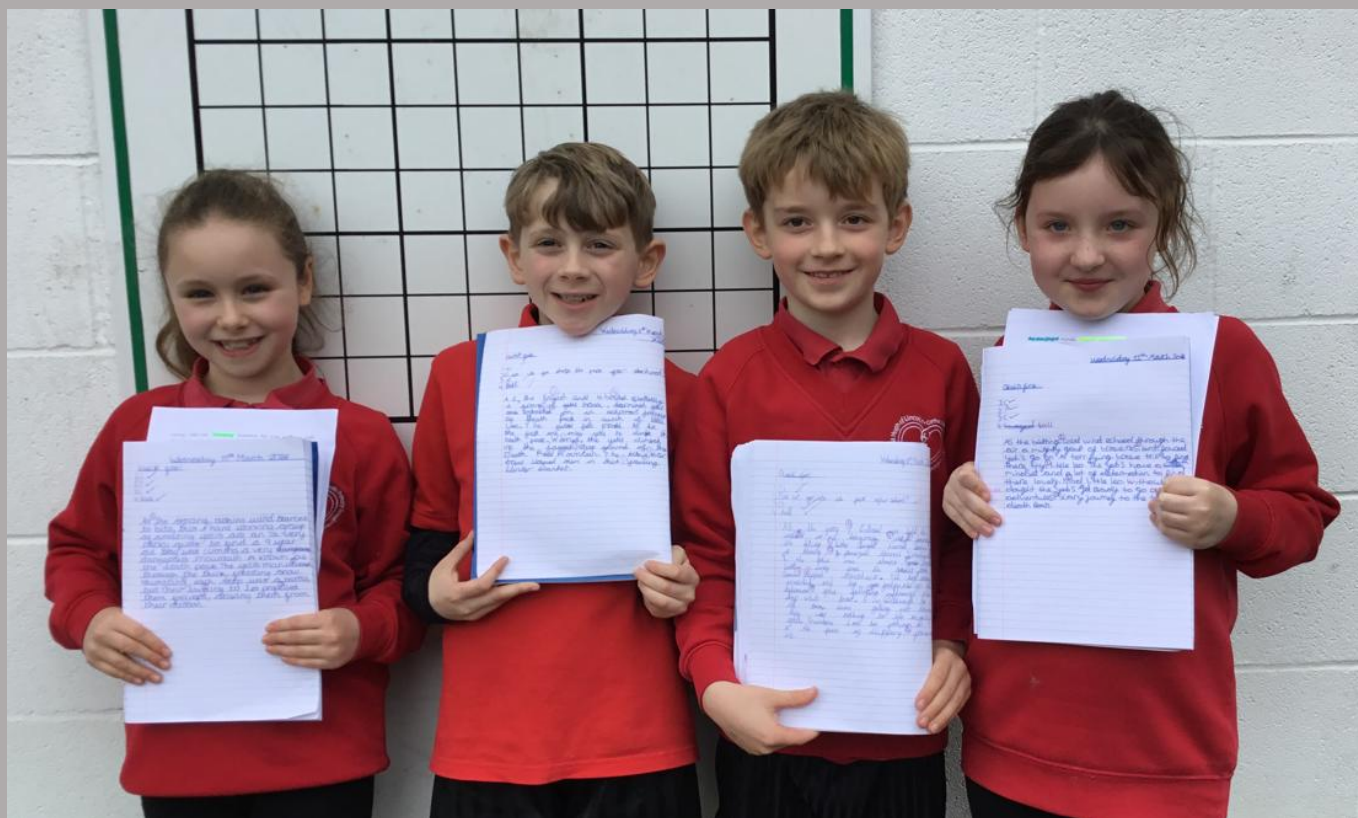
Year 4 have had another brilliant week of learning. They have shown a lot of resilience during their Spring assessments, and their hard work has truly paid off. The Year 4 team are very proud of all the children. In English, the children have enjoyed beginning to write a detailed description of a journey. Their writing focuses on the moment the Yeti family set off on their journey up Death Peak in the hope of finding and rescuing a little boy, Leo, who had become stranded. Within their writing, the children have worked hard to include their new writing frame focuses: 'verb, person' sentences and 'although' sentences. They have also been developing suspense in their descriptions to make their writing more engaging and interesting for the reader.



Our special focus in spelling this week is: Adding the prefix super -
Examples: superhero, superstar, superglue.

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Orange words: earth, famous, therefore, potatoes, possible, pressure.



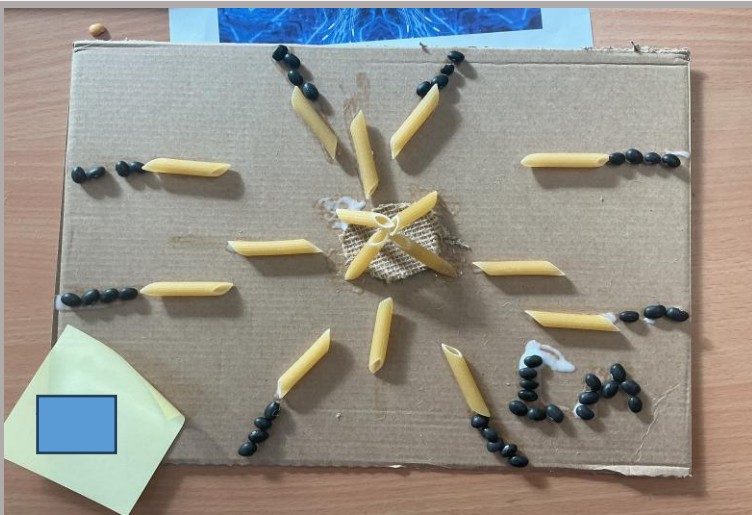
Year 5 Saint Raphael

This week, our Year 5 children enjoyed a creative art lesson exploring the imaginative world of retrofuturism. At the start of the lesson, the class looked closely at the artwork *Astronaut Moonwalk* (2014) by Teis Albers and discussed how the artist used unusual materials and textures to create an eye-catching image. Inspired by this, the children created their own retrofuturist artwork using a range of materials including lentils, rice, pasta and hessian. They carefully arranged the items to build textured, three-dimensional designs, experimenting with shapes, patterns and surfaces to bring their ideas to life. The classroom was full of creativity and the finished pieces showed great imagination, patience and attention to detail.

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Our 6 orange words are: communicate community competition conscience conscious controversy

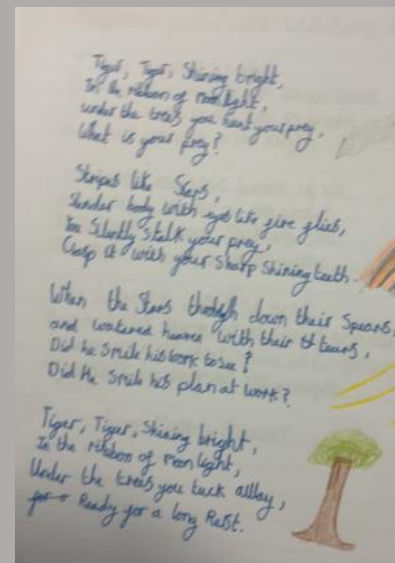
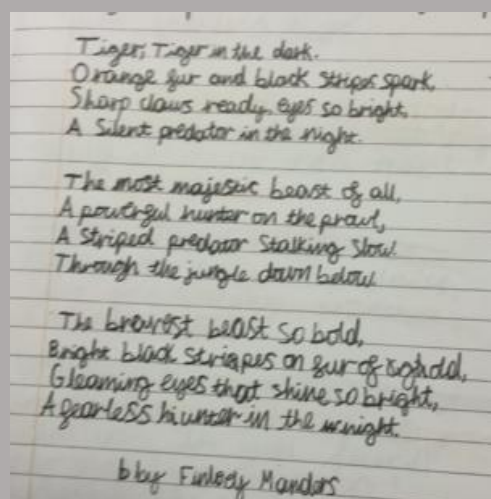
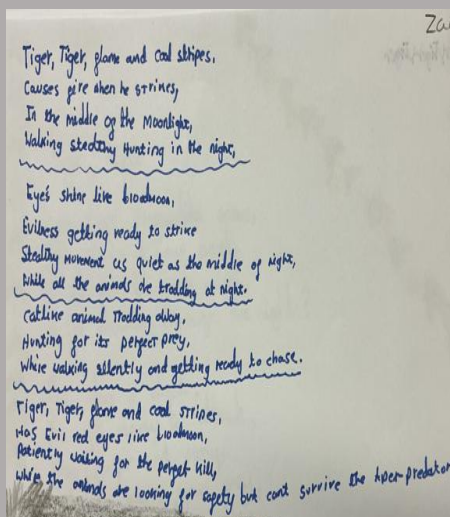
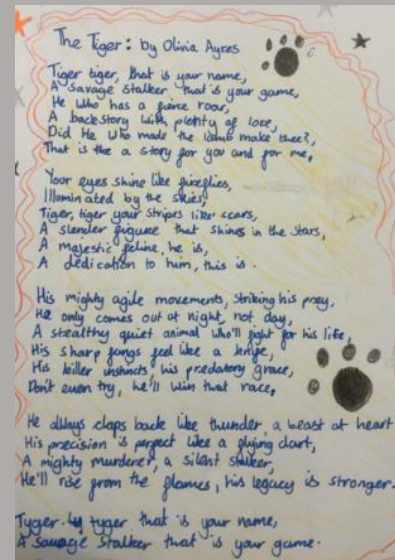
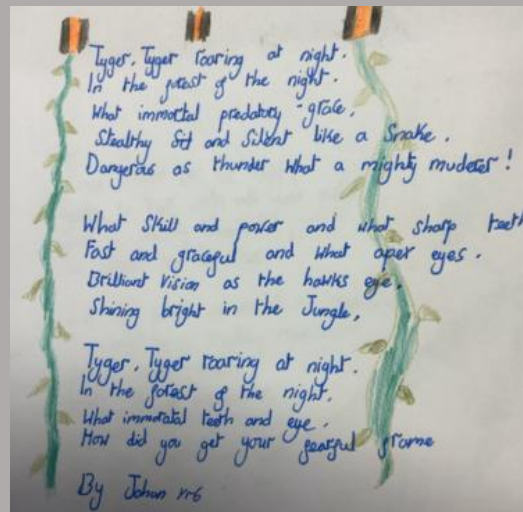
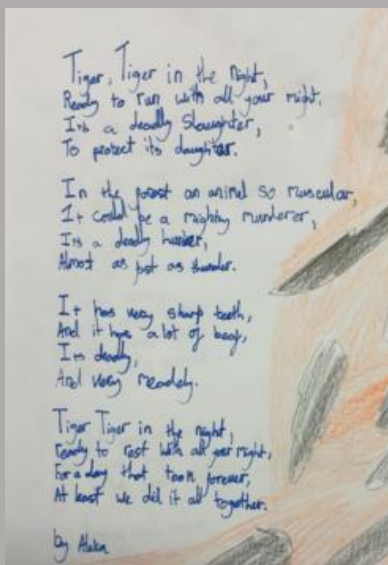


Year 6 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe

A shorter week this week but we have still packed lots in. We were very proud of our boys winning their first football match 4:0 especially after so many matches have been postponed at the last moment due to waterlogged pitches. We have been starting our SATS rotations so we can pick up on those key areas that we are still a bit weaker on. The class have had their papers back from our 2025 Sats practice and are celebrating their successes. In science we have been looking at resistance and understanding that different components in a circuit may need more voltage. In English we have introduced the mini film Francis which we are using to look at building suspense and atmosphere over two weeks. In maths we are problem solving with shapes and finding areas of triangles and parallelograms. RE is focusing on Holy Week and homework this week includes a look at the stations of the cross. The photos are of our poems from last week based on Tyger Tyger.

Our 6 orange words are: Prejudice, Privilege, Profession, Queue, Programme, Pronunciation

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