

BEARWOOD NEWS



Friday 26th June 2026



A message from Ms Alder

Dear Families

Gosh - it's been a scorcher this week!!

Last Saturday, we had the perfect summer weather for the Winnersh Fete, opened by some of our Year Fives and Sixes with the maypole dancing. They were absolutely perfect - well done. Thank you to Mrs Fenton for helping the children to rehearse. Thank you also to Mr Quantrill for assisting with the transportation of the maypole from the school to the recreation ground and back.

Our whole school have been brilliant with the record-breaking heatwave we have been experiencing. Staff have really pulled together and came up with fantastic ways to keep children cool and ensure everything functioned as usual. An example was paddling pools in the KS1 cloakroom and foot baths in KS2 classes!

Our Year Sixes on residential at Cuffley in Hertfordshire appear to be cool under the shade of the trees. You can see lots of photographs on the school Facebook page. They are clearly having a fantastic time, building memories that will stay with them for a long time.

This week, another ex-pupil Pethuel, came to do work experience with us. Although he looks like a young man and is much taller than when he was here, he is still as polite and well-mannered.

Our Year One Fox Class put on a fantastic assembly for their parents, sharing all that they have learnt this year. Well done to our Year Ones, and to Ms Brannigan and Mrs Tang too.

Next week, although the temperature will be lower, it will be the usual temperature for British summer times. Please do continue to send your child into school in their summer uniform; a sun hat; and water bottle. Do apply sun cream on your child just before they come to school in the morning.

Do come along to our Parents' Forum meeting this Tuesday at 9am. Mrs Stacey, who is also our Art Subject Lead, will share how we teach art at Bearwood.

We have our Bearwood Summer Fete to look forward to next Friday 3rd July - straight after school. Do be sure to come along.

Have a glorious weekend.

Best wishes
Funmi Alder
Headteacher.

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Value for the term - Thankfulness

*"Be thankful for everything
that happens in your life;
it's all an experience."*

—Roy T. Bennett

Raffle Tickets

**Don't forget to return
your raffle tickets before
Thursday!**

**We also have more for
sale in the office.**

**We have some great
prizes!**



Events

- **30th June** - Parents' Forum Meeting 9am
- **3rd July** - Summer Fair - (3.30-5.30)
- **6th July** - end of year reports home.
- **6th July** - New Classes afternoon
- **7th July** - Parents' Evening drop in
- **8th July** - Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm
- **9th July** - Year 6 Production to Parents at 6.30pm
- **10th July** - Sports Day 9.15am-10:45am
- **15th July** - Bearwood Fest (end of year celebrations)
- **16th July** - Year 6 Leaver's BBQ
- **17th July** - Attendance Medals

WEEKLY AWARDS

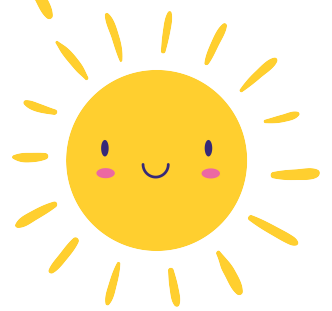
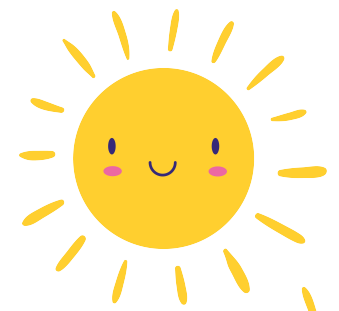
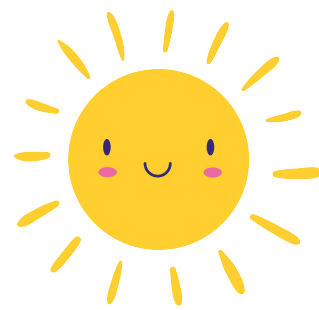
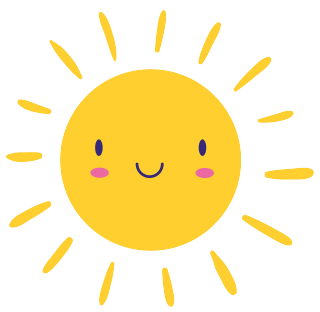


Growth Mindset Award

Fox Class -

Beaver Class -
Red Squirrel Class -

Hedgehog Class -
Badger Class -
Otter Class -
Grey Wolf Class -

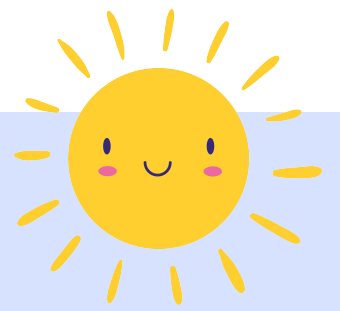
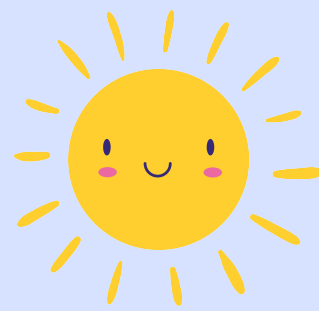
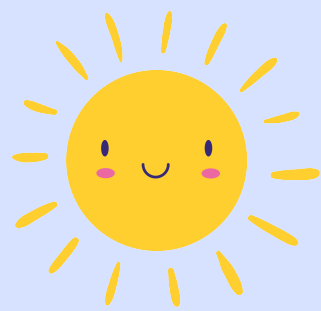


PE Award

Fox Class -
Beaver Class -
Red Squirrel Class -

Hedgehog Class -

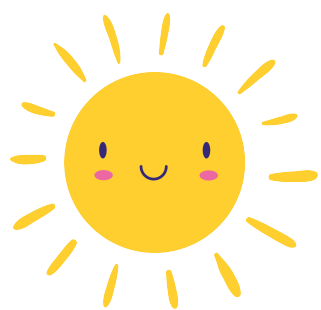
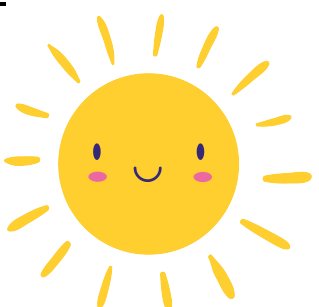
Badger Class -
Otter Class -
Grey Wolf Class -



NO AWARDS THIS WEEK

Writer of the week

KS1 -
LKS2 -
UKS2 -



Attendance Award

Fox Class -
Beaver Class -
Red Squirrel Class -
Hedgehog Class -
Badger Class -
Otter Class -
Grey Wolf Class -
Brown Bear Class -

INCLUSION/SEN



A message from Ms Kay Clarke (Inclusion Lead)



Transitions



As we come towards the end of the academic year, we are already starting to think about September and children moving up to the next year group. This can be an exciting next step in a child's educational journey but for some children it can cause anxiety.



Moving to a new class may involve not just a new classroom but also a new teacher & LSA and even different toilets and play areas. For this reason, we offer some extra support for our SEND / vulnerable children.

Over the next few weeks staff will be:



- Making booklets for children with photographs of their new classroom, teacher, class LSA and anything else that will be different. This booklet can be shared with children at school and at home.



- Offering extra informal visits to the new classroom / teaching areas.



- Organising an additional transition visit for some children on our September Inset day (this will be by invitation only).

You will receive more information about these next month but if you have any queries, please contact me:

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WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



EYFS Team

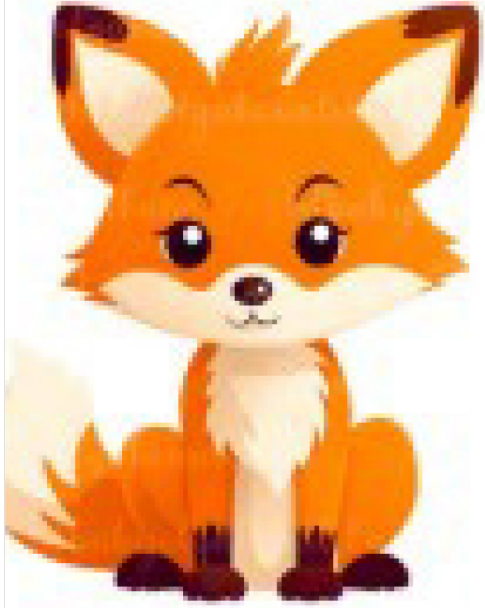


The focus story this week is Mr Gumpy by John Burningham. In the story Mr Gumpy takes a trip in his boat with lots of animals. You can listen to a version here: https://youtu.be/Mi_DV_DWN8M?si=fS5bt_IK00WZa06d

The children have used the boat in the garden to make up great adventures, pretending to go on holiday, to Mario world and to Legoland. We have also enjoyed singing songs and playing with lots of water.



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 1- Fox Class



Fox Class put on a spell binding assembly to their parents, showcasing their weaving skills, collage skills and wowing them all with how much we have learnt over the year!

We sang a brilliant song all about the Wright Brothers and their first aeroplane before launching our paper planes into the audience.

We hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. Thanks to our lovely audience for braving the heatwave for our class assembly!

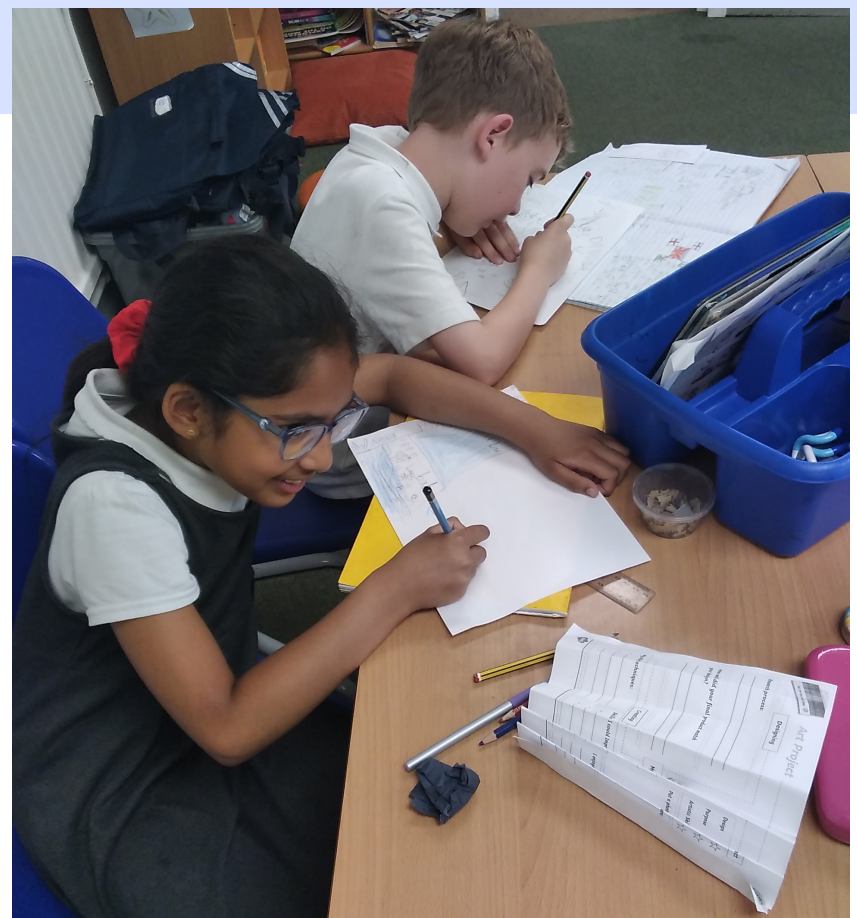
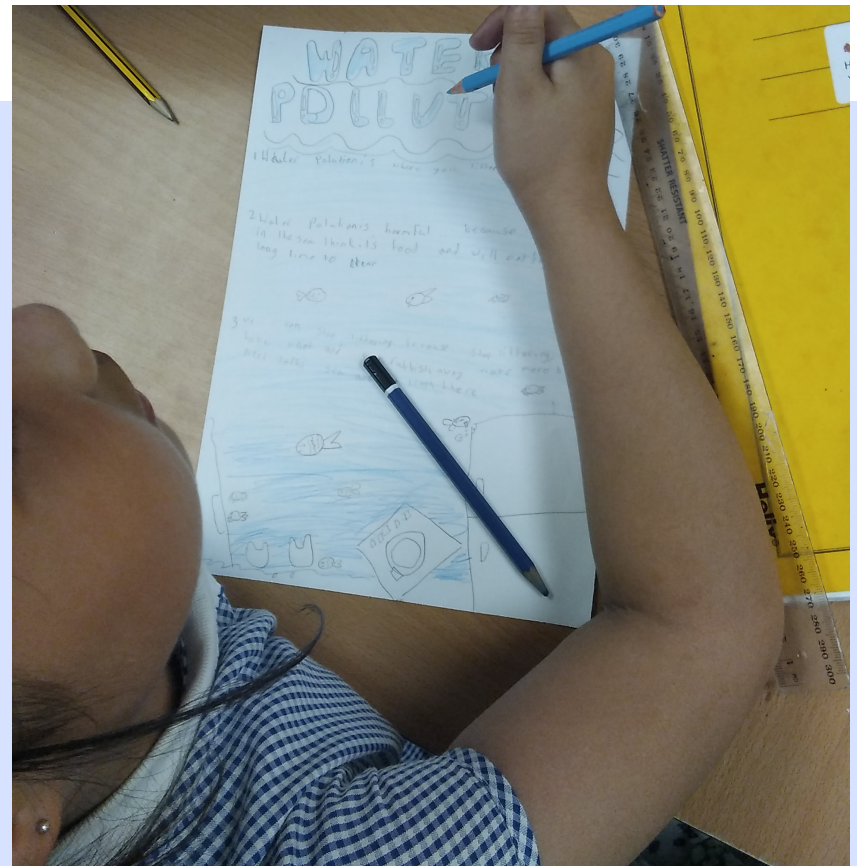
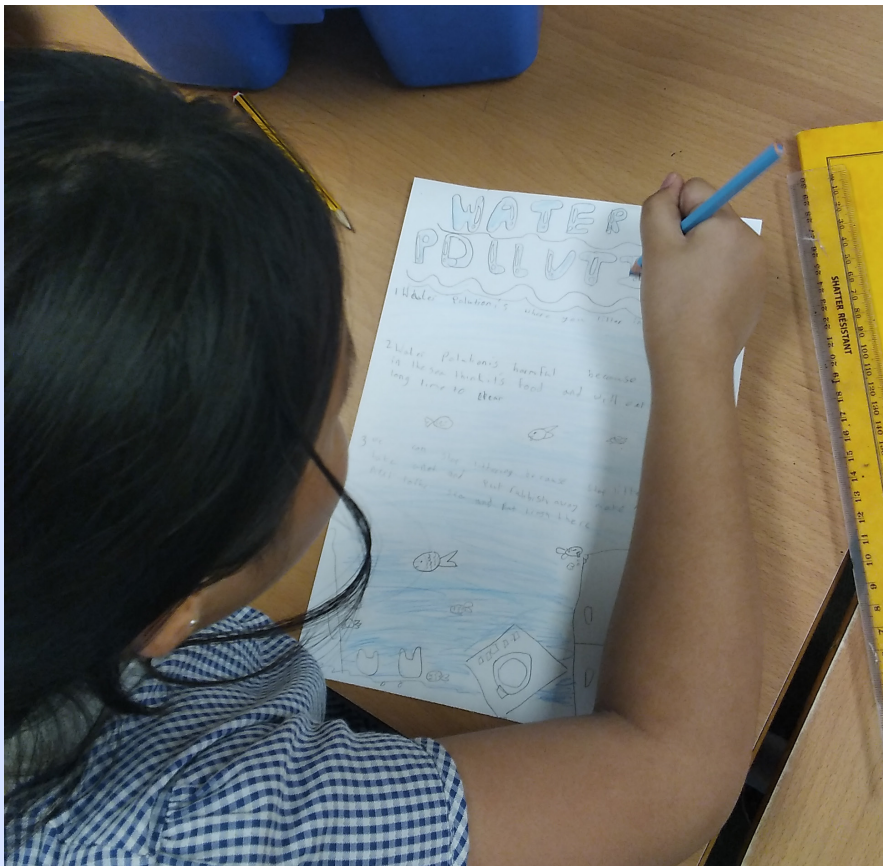


WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...

Year 3 - Red Squirrel Class



In geography we have been learning about water. This week we explored water pollution, what it is, why it's bad and what we can do to prevent it. We created a posters on our learning.



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...

Year 4 - Hedgehog Class



This week, the children continued learning how to play the Dood. They have been working very hard and are becoming increasingly confident. They are also very excited about the upcoming concert, and we are looking forward to seeing their progress showcased. In shared reading, we are enjoying the journey in *The Land of Roar*. The children have shown great enthusiasm when exploring the story. Next week, they will begin creating their own imaginative stories, inspired by what we have read.



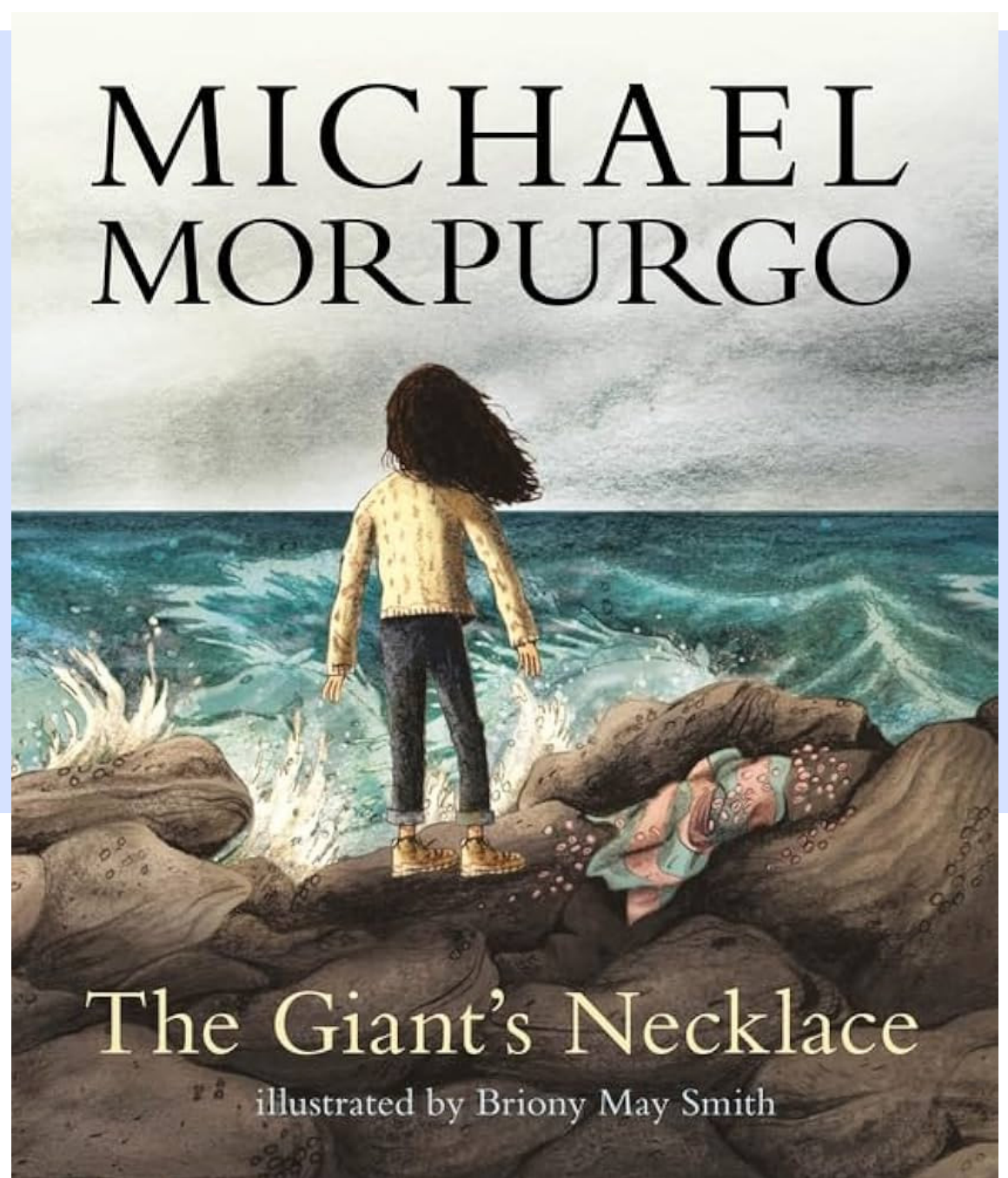
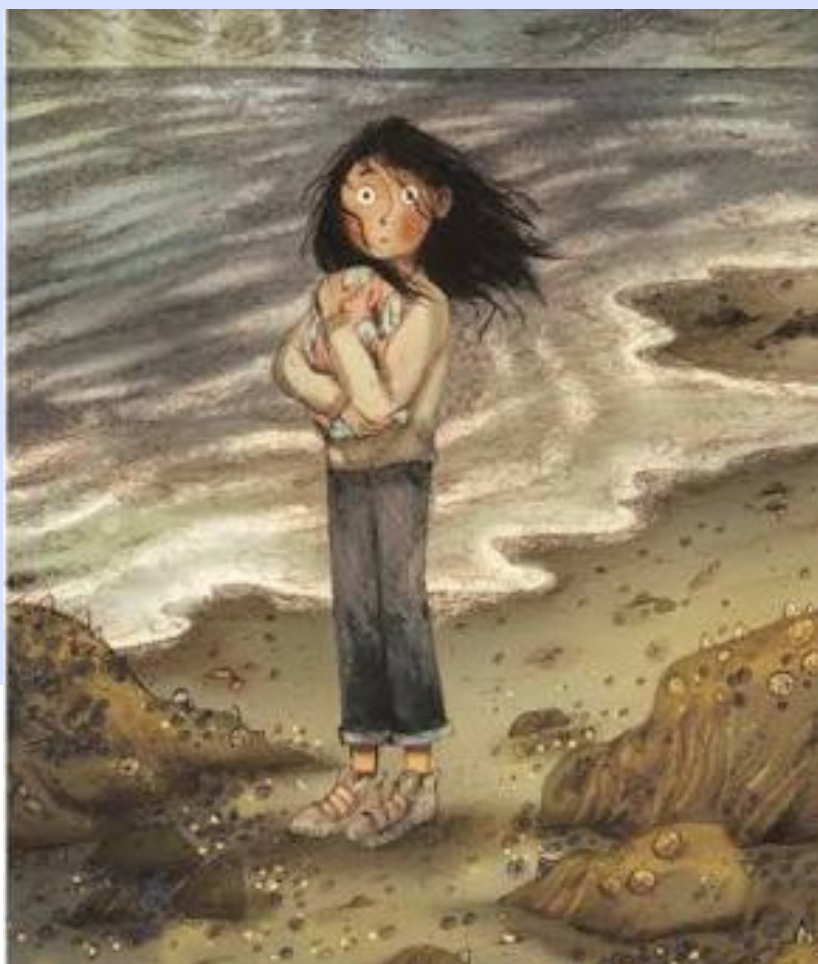
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Year 5/6 Badger Class



This week in UKS2 we have been reading "The Giant's Necklace" by Michael Morpurgo. This story is set in Cornwall and revisits the industrial past of the county. We studied how the main character, Cherry, goes on an adventure that leads her into danger. None of the children predicted the plot twists at the end!



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 6

What a week Year 6 have had on their residential trip to Cuffley! In the heat and through exhaustion, they showed incredible perseverance, resilience and teamwork. We are so proud of how they challenged themselves and supported one another. Well done, Year 6!



Class Reminders

- **Wednesday 8th July = Year 6 Production to Parents - 2pm**
- **Thursday 9th July - Year 6 Production to Parents - 6.30pm**
- **Friday 10th July - Sports Day - 9.30am -12pm**
- **Thursday 16th July - Leaver's BBQ - Time TBC**