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A message from Mrs Tweed

We are really pleased to have our Year 6 Leaders in place. They will be supporting the school in a range of ways including sport, the environment, leading houses and completing learning walks around the school. This week we have linked our house points to the word 'independence'. We follow a my turn, our turn and then your turn model at Ditton Lodge in learning. The children have been really pushing themselves to try hard during the your turn part of a lesson. It's terrific to walk around and see so many children achieving tokens for their house. Have a super weekend.



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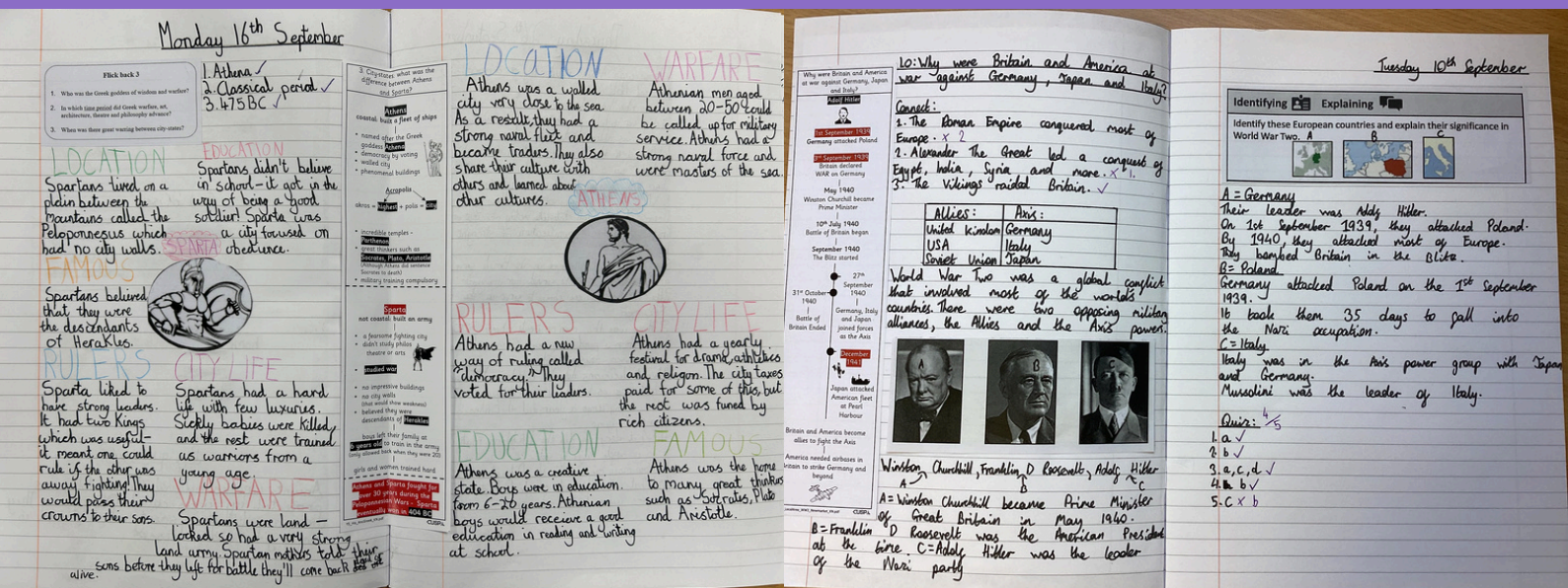


This week our class spotlight is on Year Three

This week in Year 3 we have completed lots of brilliant learning. In English, we have been writing fantastic poems linked to emotions which contain rhyme, similes and alliteration. We have been focusing on place value in Maths, partitioning, comparing, estimating and ordering numbers up to 1000. On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a great session at forest school, exploring the outdoors and nature. In PE, we have been continuing with our hockey and dance skills, learning how to pass, dribble and stop with a ball and working as a team. Rocks have been our main focus in Science this week and we have been learning lots of new exciting vocabulary when explaining how a rock is formed. In History this week, we are learning about prehistoric people and how they lived. We have been learning about the famous artist, Vincent Van Gogh in Art, using his impasto technique to recreate similar paintings. Miss Allen and Mr Kemp are really pleased with the hard work Year 3 have put into their learning this week and the determination they have shown to do their best work. Super stars!



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This week our subject spotlight is History

There has been lots of fantastic History work across the school already this term. In Reception the children have been discussing olden day items during their reading of the story of Cinderella. Year 1 are looking at how they have grown and changed, as part of their study of changes within living memory. The children in Year 2 have started to study events beyond living memory, learning about life in London in 1666 at the time of the Great Fire of London. Year 3 have been learning about the three ages of the Stone Age and will work through the prehistoric times up to the Iron Age. In Year 4 the children have been finding out why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain. The children in Year 5 are studying Ancient Greece, discovering who the Ancient Greeks were and the origins of democracy. Year 6 are exploring how World War II began and have found out about some of the countries and people involved, before they go on to look at how the conflict changed our local area.



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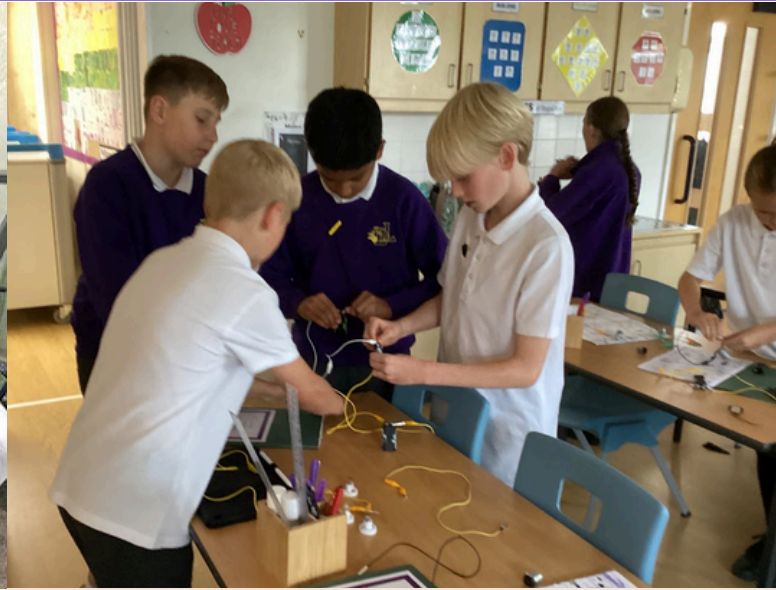
House Points

This Week's House Points Winner is :

Palace House - 267
Tattersalls House - 269
Severals House - 228
Hyperion House - 286



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Attendance



This week's Year Group Attendance

Reception: 95.93% Year 1 - 97.1% Year 2 - 99%

Year 3 - 98.62% Year 4 - 97.1% Year 5 - 94.14%

Year 6 - 98.81% Whole School Attendance - 97.23%



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Diary Dates

- Thursday 3rd October - Coffee and Connect Morning - 9.00 am - 10.00 am*
Monday 7th October - Harvest Festival - 9.30 am - all welcome
Monday 7th October - EYFS and Year 1 Phonics Workshop - 2.55 pm
Friday 25th October - Last day of Term
Monday 11th November - First day back
Monday 11th November - School photos
Monday 11th November - Bags 2 School Collection day
Wednesday 13th November - Parents' Evening - 3.30-6.00 pm
Thursday 14th November - Parents' Evening - 3.30-6.00 pm
Friday 15th November - School Disco - 5.30-8.30 pm
Friday 29th November - Christmas Pop Up Shop
Friday 6th December - Christmas Fayre - 3.30-5.00 pm
Tuesday 10th December - Reception and KS1 Dress Rehearsal - 1.30 pm
Wednesday 11th December - Reception and KS1 Performance - 1.30 pm and 5.45 pm
Friday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 13th December - PTFA Christmas Fete - 3.30-5.30 pm
Tuesday 17th December - Reception and KS1 Christmas Parties
Wednesday 18th December - Annual Visit to Panto
Thursday 19th December - KS2 Christmas Parties
Friday 20th December - KS2 Carol Concert
Friday 20th December - Last Day of Term



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PTFA

We are so disappointed we had to cancel the Summer Fete today. The plan is now to hold a spectacular Christmas Fete instead on Friday 13th December.

For those of you that have already purchased tokens and wristbands, these can be carried over to the Christmas Fete. However, if you are unable to attend the new date then please do see Mrs Colby in the School Office for a full refund.

Date for your Diary - Friday 15th November - School Disco