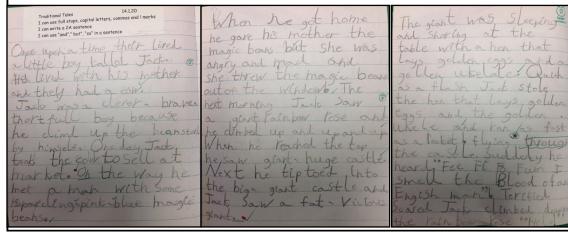


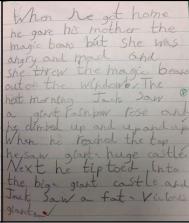
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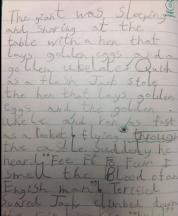
A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND MAKE FRIENDS

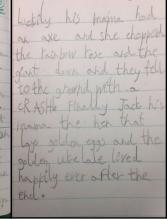
Year I Story Writing

Year I have completed their "Traditional Tales" unit with a retelling of the story of Jack and the Beanstalk but with a few changes! The children learned the story and were eventually able to retell it from memory using the story map and actions to represent the events, sentence starters, punctuation and main characters. In our stories the magic beans did not grow into a beanstalk. Instead we had all sorts of alternative giant items, such as a giant burger, a giant "bananapple" and in this story, a giant rainbow rose! Our stories are now on display in the corridor and the Year I classroom. Story by Emillia









Year 4 Digestion Topic

Since returning from Christmas we have completed our Digestion topic demonstration. Y4 were delighted to 'make poo' during science in our first week back and they learnt just how clever our bodies are. To their shock, amazement and horror their comments included:

"I never thought it would be so real" Maya

"I loved squeezing it out of the tights (small intestines)" Rhys

"It actually did look like poo when it came out of the cups (anus)" (Max)

"I never knew orange juice was acidy and that it can help breakdown food" (Marley)

"The towel rolling (which imitated the large intestine) really did take all the moisture our of our poo" (Bea, Jayden, Zihara)

Year 4 class were extremely well-behaved and focused incredibly hard to follow all the steps. The aroma in the classroom was a little unpleasant, but the photographs show that they all had a marvellous time. The demonstration certainly made science 'come to life'.









Year 3 and 4 Swimming Update

Welcome back to swimming after our Christmas break.

Will a change of term we have welcomed two different teachers. Faye and Trish sadly could not continue to teach us this term, but Susie who has taught our Y4's previously is now teaching Trish's group and Paul is teaching Faye's swimmers. Lou remains in the small pool.

Lou's group Trying to encourage everyone to be confident with their faces in the water they have also been collecting objects from under the surface of the water. For some this included a small surface dive, whereas others feel more confidence to bounce down to reach for the hoops.

Paul's getting to know his Y3 swimmers and identified that front crawl legs and arms could be more coordinated. As a result he focussed on this during the first week and in the second week he checked backstroke and breaststroke too. As he could see their strokes are doing well he built in some stamina work, this made it much harder. We would like to congratulate Issey, Beth and Scarlett for joining the group from the small pool - what a wonderful achievement!

Paul's new to his Y4 swimmers too, so he has completed a quick assessment and identified that he will be focusing on breathing to ensure all swimmers are coordinating front crawl and backstroke. His coaching tips really helped swimmers to tidy up their arms so they we reaching forward and kicking efficiently. Thank you Paul!

Susie met her Y3 group and after her initial assessment she focussed on improving front crawl technique in week one. They also learnt about jumping in safely which is part of their personal survival. Week two Susie assessed their back stroke and dolphin leg kicks. The dolphin leg kick requires and undulating motion that will help towards butterfly later on. They then revised life saving straddle jump.

Susie's familiar with her Y4 group because she taught them last year, so she has recapped all four strokes. She identified that some children need to focus on their breathing, whereas others need to slow down their arms. For those grasping the different components of each stroke with confidence she set a few stamina challenges already. She has also recapped personal survival jumps and dolphin leg kick to prepare for butterfly stroke.

Y3 StarSwimmers: Issey, Beth, Scarlett, Bella, Zoe, Finalay, Reuban, Jude, Poppy T, Jenson and Saul Y4 Star Swimmers: Aeryn, Maya, James, Jayden, Max C, Phoebe

With the colder weather please ensure your child/ren are coming to school with jackets, the pool is very warm and we hope to avoid them being chilled when they come out to get on the coach. We will always try to provide them with a coat, but it is not always possible. Thank you for your continued support, Katie Bray





Polwhele House Inter-School Cross-Country Match Saturday 14 March 2020

Multi-terrain races (grass and woodland) will be staged in three age categories: Y3/4 (1km); Y5/6 (1.5km) & Y7/8 (2.5km). Medals will be awarded for the top three boys and girls for each race with the top six finishers from each team contributing to an overall team prize (top 4 for the Y7/8 race). The Polwhele House Society will also be providing refreshments throughout the morning.

Timings for the day are as follows:

9.30am Registration

9.45am Walk the Course

10.15am Y/8 Race (2.5km)

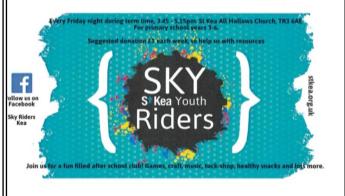
10.45am Y5/6 Race (1.5km)

11.10am Y3/4 Race (1km)

11.30am Presentation of Aw

11.30am Presentation of Awards
Please email the office by Monday 10 February if your
child would like to take part. There is an entry fee of

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Spring Term Dates

<u>January</u>

Thurs 30 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm - School Council Meeting

Fri 31 The Big Read

February

Mon 3 I.30 pm - 3.30 pm - Full Governor Body Meeting

Thurs 13 School Disco

Fri 14 Break up for Half Term
Fri 14 KSF Tuck Shop (after school)
Mon 24 Children return to school

Thurs 27 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm - School Council Meeting

March

Tues 3 8.00 am Governor Resources and Safeguarding

Committee

Thurs 5 World Book & St Piran's Day - more info to

follow

Fri 13 Kea School Friends- non uniform day, bring in a

chocolate treat for the Easter bingo

Mon 16 - Fri 20 Parent Teacher Consultations this week
Wed 18 9.10 am Governor Teaching and Learning

Committee Meeting

Fri 20 PM Kea School Friends Easter Bingo - more

information to follow

Mon 23 Full Governor Body Meeting
Wed 25 2.30 pm Spring Concert
Thurs 26 Last Year 3 & 4 Swimming

Thurs 26 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm School Council Meeting

Fri 27 Break up for Easter

Fri 27 KSF Tuck Shop (after school)

