Moreton CEVA Newsletter

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Headteacher Welcome

Upcoming Dates

3.11.26	Open evening for new parents
4.11.26	Year 5 & 6 to Duxford
6.11.26	Start of Diwali
11.11.26	Evening of Light for Remembrance
12.11.26	Public Speaking competition
13.11.26	Children in need
16.11.26	Anti bullying week

It has been a very long but productive half term filled with many events. Children have settled well and have made lots of progress already. I am sure that you recognised this when you viewed their work and spoke to the teachers at parents evening. Please complete this short survey about your view of parents evening as it helps to shape any further information you feel you would like to have.

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Some of you will have noticed an ambulance and the air ambulance earlier this week. We had a medical incident at school that required the emergency services to manage. I would like to reassure you that treatment was given swiftly and the pupil is now recovering. Thank you for your patience in the pouring rain as we know some children came out late as we were dealing with the matter sensitively. I know that for some of you it will have triggered mixed emotions and thank you for your understanding and support.

Harvest festival was a joyful occasion and much food was donated to the Epping Foodbank. There is also food for those in need in the church porch if anyone feels they require some help over the October half term.

Finally, the clocks go back this weekend and so it will be darker in the mornings. I hope that you all have a restful and enjoyable half term and look forward to seeing you in November!

Mrs Batt



Mental Health Awareness

Looking after our children's mental health is important. But so is looking after our own. Mind offer a range of services including their Befriending service, impartial, flexible and relaxed.



Looking for a regular chat with someone who gets it?

Our free Befriending support finds you someone local to chat with regularly - by phone or in person, whatever suits you.

It's relaxed, informal and flexible, and all about building connection. Many people tell us it gives them something to look forward to each week.

Sign up for good conversation, shared interests, and real connection with someone new.

Interested?

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freephone 0800 755 5173

or scan the QR code.

Open to men and women of all ages.



Picture News For Parents



Hello!

It's Katie from Picture News here. If you're reading this newsletter, your child's school uses our weekly news resources, so I thought it'd be helpful to fill you in on everything Picture News schools have been up to this half term! Let's get started...

News Recap

Each Picture News resource focuses on a 'Big Question', to encourage deeper thinking and discussion around news stories. Let's look back at some of the topics we've explored this half term...

Learning from Dolly:
What can help us feel hopeful about a new beginning?



Dolly Parton re-recorded a song to raise money for charity, showing how revisiting something from the past can have a fresh impact. Coinciding with the new school year, children considered how they can build on their earlier experiences, take on new challenges, and make a positive difference.

Homelessness:
Do we all have a part to play in helping those in need?



Prime Minister Andy Burnham pledged to offer everyone sleeping rough in England a safe place to stay by Christmas. Children thought about times when people need the help of others, what that help might look like, and why asking for help and telling a safe adult when we are worried about someone can matter.

School Lunches:
Who should decide what we have for school lunch?



News of healthier changes to school dinner rules was the focus of this resource. Children thought about how decisions are made, discussing personal choice and shared responsibility, and the factors schools consider when providing meals.

AI:
Do we need AI wherever we go?



The announcement of the new Meta Muse Charm led to thought-provoking conversations in schools about whether AI is useful and when might we be better off without it. Children discussed AI's potential and limits, and how much technology should play a part in our lives.

Tip!

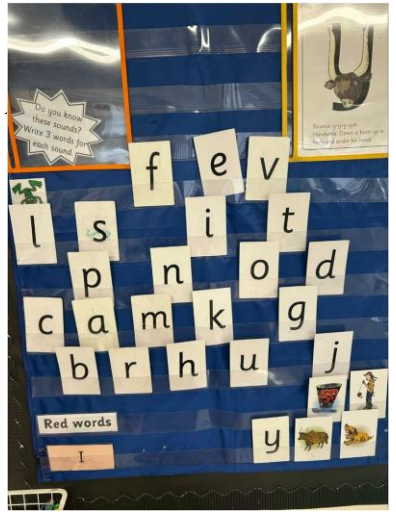
Explore our Discussion Board together at home, to share thoughts on the Big Question and find out what other children say about the stories.

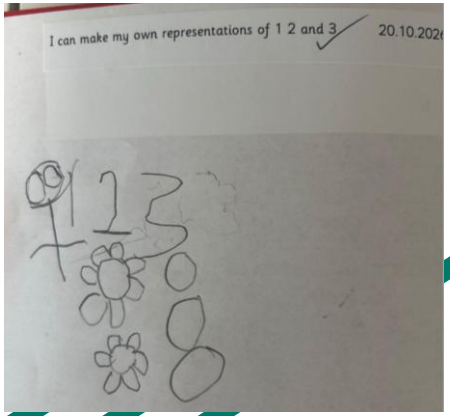
VISIT THE DISCUSSION BOARD

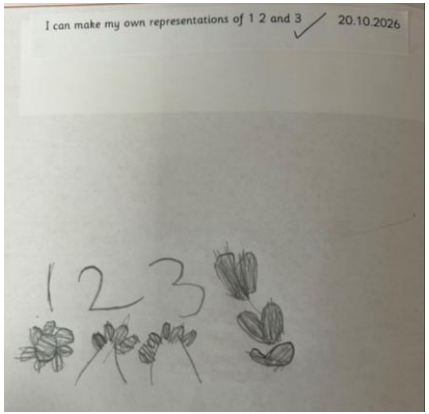
Bumblebee Class

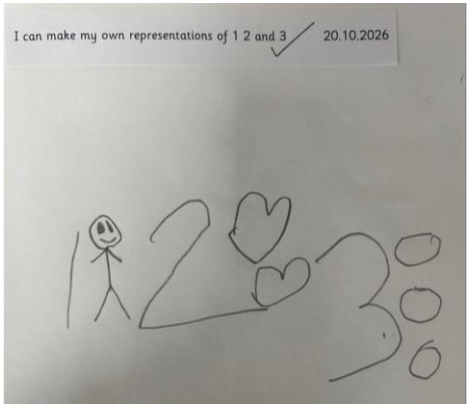


We have been very busy learning all our sounds and now blending them together to read words. The children have enjoyed finding out about 1, 2 and 3 and have this week represented them in their books. We have enjoyed retelling the story of the Little Red Hen and made bread too.
This week we have been reading the story Can't You Sleep Little Bear and then cut and ordered bears according to their size.









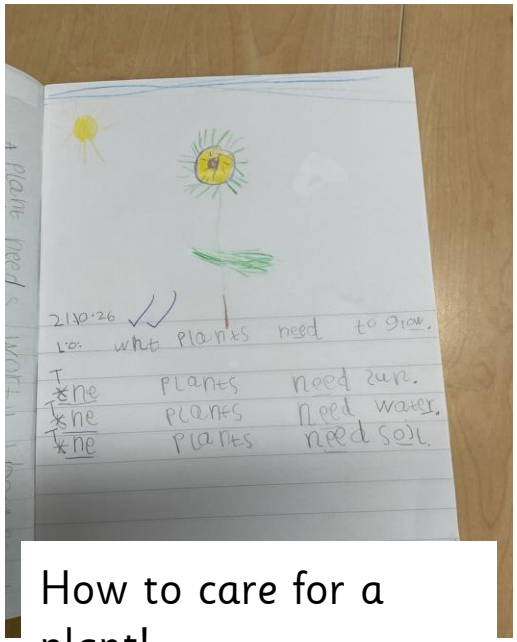
Hedgehog Class



Our Autumn poem.

Leaves are falling, leaves are falling, one fell on my nose.
Leaves are falling, leaves are falling, one fell on my toes.
Leaves are falling leaves are falling, one fell on my head.
Leaves are falling, leaves are falling. Yellow. Orange. Red.





How to care for a plant!

What a great first half term with lots of great progress made!

Science has been all about plants this term. We have particularly enjoyed observing the different trees and shrubs at forest school! Weve had great discussions about seasons, observing the trees and the weather.



Year 2

In art we learnt how to create a street perspective with a vanishing viewpoint. We have also been inspired by Andy Warhol's pop art! We recreated his *Campbells Soup Cans*. Our efforts in art have really paid off as our final pieces turned out brilliantly. What do you think?

We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes in maths. We had the chance to play lots of fun games to help consolidate our knowledge! We had to use our detective skills to find out which shape our friends were describing and then we played 'Which shape am I?' where we had ask lots of questions to help us find out which shape we were holding on our heads!



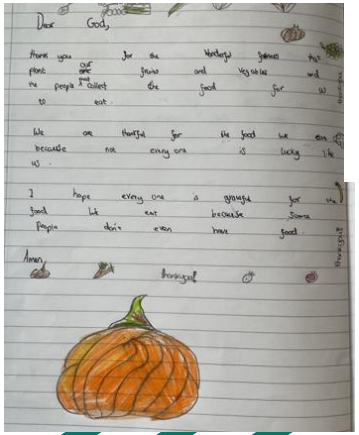


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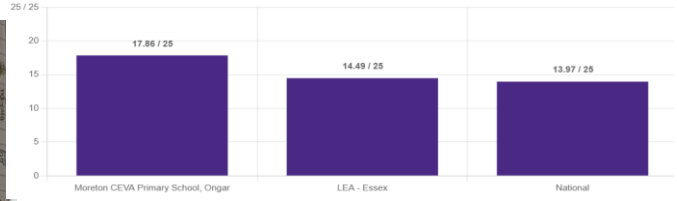




This half-term our BIG question in RE was 'What kind of world should we live in?', we thought about how Christians live and their beliefs and morals. We have also been thinking about being thankful at Harvest.



What a busy second part of our first half-term in Year 4. We have been learning so much and were very proud to show our families what we have done during our class assembly.



In English we have been learning how to write a non-chronological about Viking Longships, and in Maths we have worked hard on our times tables. Mrs Cole was very pleased with our scores on a practice MTC – see our scores above compared to our local area and national.

In our music lessons we have been learning Mamma Mia. We learnt how to sign the song as a choir and how to play it on the glockenspiel. In our assembly we performed to the whole school – we really enjoyed it!

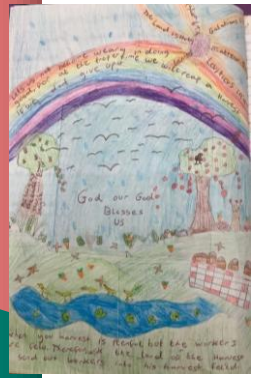




Year 5

We recreated some work based on Hannah Dunnett. She is a popular British Christian artist known for her unique, watercolor paintings that interweave imagery with hand-scripted Bible verses, hymns, and prayers.

We've been working hard to make clay sculptures based on Henry Moore's work. We began by making a wire frame to give the sculpture some strength and then added the clay around it. They all look amazing!



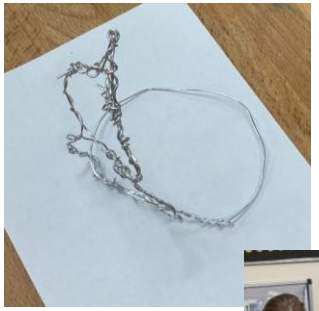






















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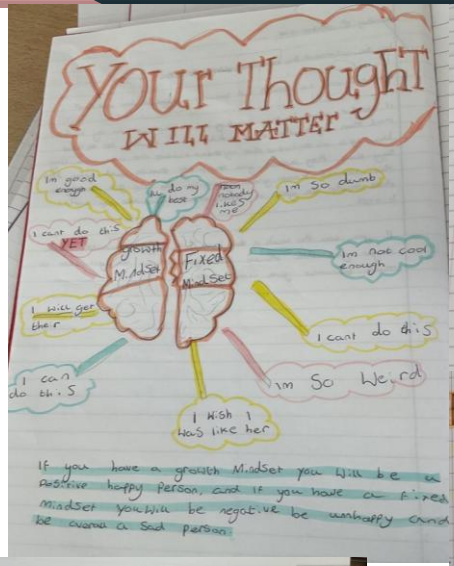
As part of our Art, we have studied the artist 'Henry Moore' and looked at his sculptures. We then used wire and clay to make our own sculptures inspired by him.

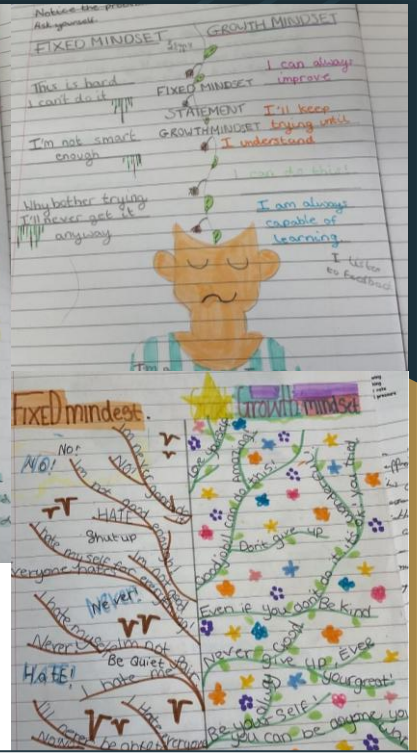


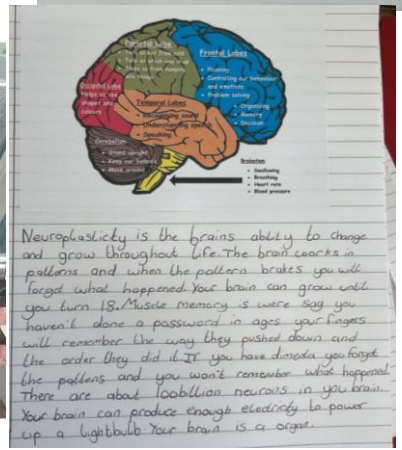












As part of PSHE, we looked at the science behind how our brain works and looked at Growth Mindset. We created some amazing pieces of work looking at how we use Growth Mindset in our learning and everyday tasks.

LOOKING FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE HALF-TERM ACTIVITY FOR YOUR CHILD?



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Times: 9:15am - 3:15pm (early drop off available from 8:30am)

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Free October Half Term Clubs with Essex ActivAte Will Soon be Live to Book

Essex ActivAte half term programmes provide free, fun and engaging activities for eligible children and young people during the October half term break. From sports and crafts to outdoor adventures and more, there are plenty of opportunities to stay active, make friends and try something new, alongside receiving nutritious meals and snacks.

Spaces are limited and can be booked directly with local clubs when they go live, with no HolidayActivities voucher code or referral required.

To find a club nearby, visit the Find Your Active Activity Finder on the Active Essex website. Simply select 'Programmes' to view the upcoming half term activities, enter your local area, and book directly with the club using the contact details provided.