



# Engayne Newsletter

What's happening at Engayne?

Summer First Half Term 2024

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## PICTURE NEWS IMPACT AWARDS

Engayne entered the Picture News Impact Awards. We used our school Social Action projects to demonstrate how we are all working to make a difference to our school, local and national community.

Our projects are fully inclusive with all pupils participating. We feel it promotes wellbeing, independent thinking and learning approaches, and an empathy and engagement to the real world and its problems in a manageable way.

Our entry was judged and this was the response:

*Many thanks for your entry to this year's Picture News Impact Awards 2024. We've now had the opportunity to read through your application and we are delighted to award Engayne Primary School with the GOLD level award.*

*We reached this decision as it was incredible to read all about the projects that have had such a huge impact on your community. The children lead the projects and they are constantly reflecting, learning and developing. Well done; you should feel very proud.*

**WELL DONE ENGAYNE!**



## HOUSEPOINTS

The winning house for Summer 1 is:



With 1097 house points

Children from Terra house can wear non-uniform on

Friday 7th June  
2024

### Date for your Diary

KS1 Sports Day: Monday 3rd June



**Please be considerate of our neighbours and do not park across their driveways. Thank you**

The children have enjoyed sports and Olympics week even though the weather could have been much better!

We are very proud of our year 6 children who have now finished their SATs. Our Governing Board spent some time in school meeting with children and observing lessons. It was a very positive time and our children did us proud.

I hope you all have a lovely bank holiday weekend and half term. The year is whizzing by!

See you back in school on Monday 3rd June. regards Mrs Sankey  
(sporting events will be in the highlights after half term).

## Reception

In reception, we have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We watched our caterpillars transform into butterflies and then let them fly!  
 By Theo, William, Ruby & Ela  
 Trent Class



## Year 1

This half term we have enjoyed learning about different materials in science. We carried out an investigation to find out what materials were waterproof. In DT we have had lots of fun making our model houses.  
 by Tiana 1P



## Year 2

By Max 2J In year 2, we have been enjoying making our carnival T-shirts and masks in DT. It has been very messy, loud and fun using the fabric paint!



## Year 3

On our trip to Colchester, year 3 explored the wonderful, ancient museum. Then we had lunch early and it was really yummy. Next, we filled in some work sheets about Romans and Celts. After, we built round houses and Roman houses. So we finished building and went to the dark, scary prison cells and watched a video. Finally, we went underground to learn about how to Romans took over Britain. Then, we got our bags and coats so we could sit on the coach and we went back to school.

The next day at school, we grabbed our shields and we went onto the playground and blue team and green team were against yellow team and red team. We had to get into formation to protect each other and use our shields. Then we could throw bean bags and balls at the other team. It was so much fun!

By Vivienne and Lettie 3BR

## Year 4

This half term year 4 have been outdoors practising athletics. We used the mega howlers to practise throwing, the mats to measure our long jumps and did sprints and endurance runs using the track.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our history topic Ancient Egypt. We made a shaduf, a hand operated machine used to get water from the river to dry land and learnt about farming.

We invited our parents in to help us paint our Egyptian canopic jars which we sculpted using mod rock.

By Oscar and Tatum, 4B



## Year 5

In year 5 the term we have started in South America. In this quite fascinating subject (Geography) we learnt about the different countries, the working environments of the Amazon Rainforest. In computing, we learnt about databases. Rebecca was given a task that was the amazing success, when they were asked what information on the Zoo can use them to compare different ones. There are two types of databases, paper databases and computer databases. In English, we have heard about 'performance poetry'. There are 6 types of poetry, they are: epic, sonnet, sestina, rap, prose and prose. I enjoyed doing poetry because it was quite funny writing other groups perform their poems because they were very creative and interesting.  
 ~ written by Zack 5B  
 ~ Illustrated by Ava 5B

## Year 6

**Introduction**  
 This past half term year 6 have had loads of fun, discovering about art, science and English, whilst also revising for our upcoming SATs! Although this half term isn't over yet, we still love to talk about all we've covered in class so far and what we're looking forward to in the upcoming weeks.

In science, we've been linking with art. We have had a lot of fun learning about Charles Darwin and the theory of evolution. I found it interesting how animals can change their complete appearance over millions of years to adapt to their habitat.

Our English topic has revisited a bit, starting off with the story of Aladdin, we wrote a description on how she became a doll, and how to create tension and suspense to grip the reader. After a while, we dramatically changed topics to the History of chocolate and how it's made! Did you know that chocolate used to be a drink?

In art, we've been linking with our science topic the theory of evolution and creating age portraits. We have been using crayons, pastels and different materials.

We've also been learning and practicing the song 'you've got a friend' in music. We've been practicing the song to perform in our year 6 leavers assembly to show to parents!

Year six have nearly finished at Engayne, so our next half term will be having PGL, hopefully our water sport on the field and our big assembly at the end of the year, that parents can attend.

By Maisie R & Emily P 6G