



Cotherstone Primary School Newsletter

3rd February 2023

Safer Internet Day

We have lots of educational activities planned for Safer Internet Day. The day is officially Tuesday 7th but, due to some schedule conflicts, we will be participating in this on Wednesday 8th.

Scaffolding

This weekend, preliminary work will begin for our roof replacement. This will involve the erection of scaffolding around the main building.

Kitchen Roll Tubes

Class 2 would like to put out a request for kitchen roll tubes please. If you have any, please send them in next week. Thanks :)

This week in Class 3

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This week in Class 3 we have been very busy writing a new chapter for our class text, The Malamander. They have been learning how to use relative clauses within their writing to add detail.

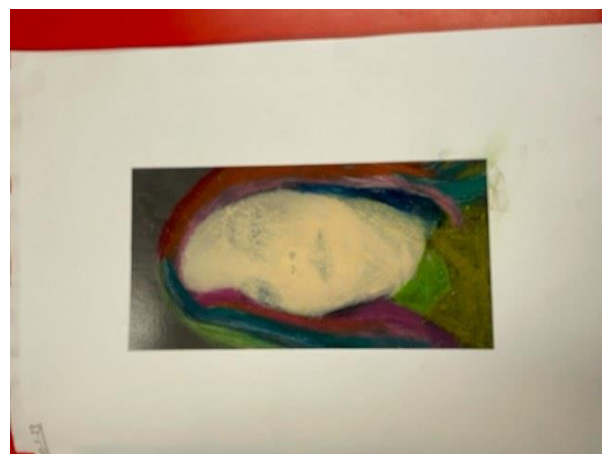
We learnt how 'The Eerie Book Dispensary', which is a book shop like no other, can be seen into at night and the things in there are not what you would expect in a bookshop. Class 3 wrote about the mini worlds within, where characters from books climb out and come to life!

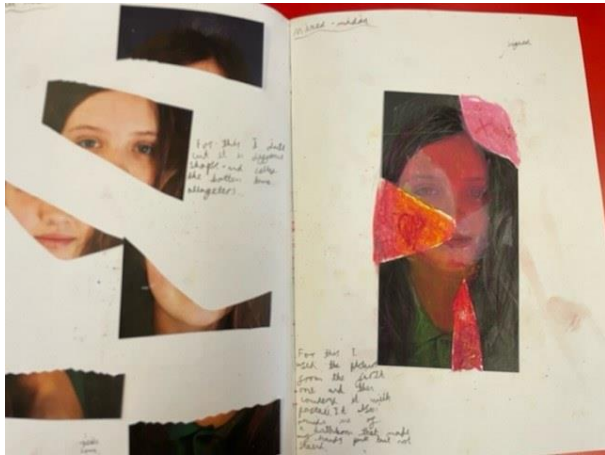
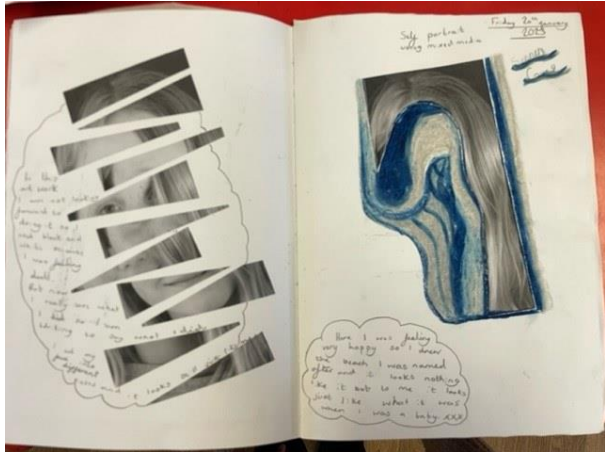
In maths this week we have been developing our mastery of fractions. We have found equivalent fractions, converted mixed numbers to improper fractions and vice versa and worked on our addition and subtraction of fractions. Class 3 have once again showcased their ability to problem solve and reason when exploring fractions.

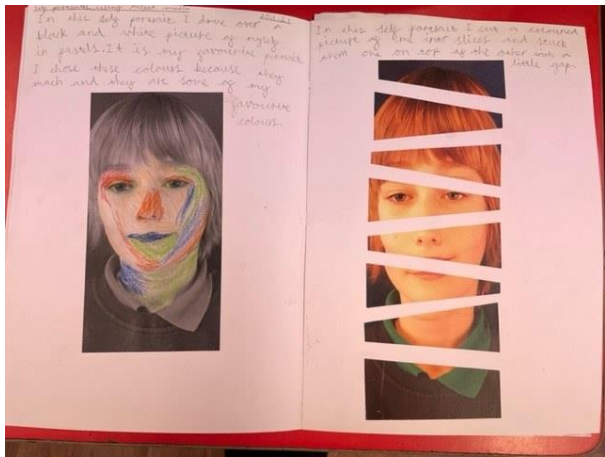
We have developed our art skills using mixed-media to create a final piece of artwork. Class 3 experimented with different ways of using mixed-media on their portraits, before creating a final piece incorporating their favourite techniques. They produced some excellent artwork as you can see!

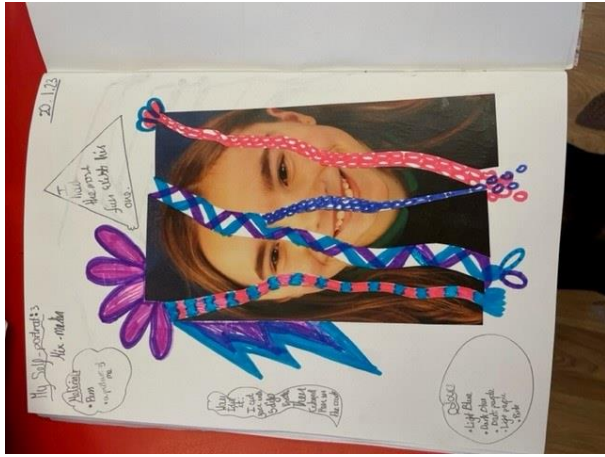
In history we have been exploring The Maya by making comparisons between them and the Vikings to see who we believe was more successful. To do this we carried out some research into their achievements and explored these before using drama to act out a scene in role explaining why they believe they were more successful. We found out that The Vikings had excellent trade links, invented the comb and built longboats, whereas The Maya were highly advanced in art, writing and mathematics.

We explored what friction is in science by trying to pick up jelly with and without oil on using chopsticks to draw conclusions. Then we investigated the question: 'Whose shoe has the most friction?' using newton meters to measure the force.











Exhibition review of self-brush

Chila Kumari Singh Burman

What does mixed media art work mean?

What materials does she use?

Visual art form

She uses a computer to edit her photos

My tuk tuk shoes she is an imaginative person

In this piece of art, she has used port rates of herself and shaped them into a portrait using a computer.

What food is associated with her art?

pic-collage

pic-collage

Self-portraits

I think to make love and spot pictures

got me one I think to create

all mixed media

got me one I think to create

all of you know

Self-portraits

Awards

Class 1: Star of the Week: Annie for excellent effort and having a cheerful attitude to all areas of work. Presentation: Evie

Class 2: Star of The Week: Joss for his excellent ear flaps (pinnae) for his science investigation. Presentation: Zara

Class 3: Star of the Week: Sophie for excellent description within your Malamander chapter! Presentation: Jon



This week's lunchtime awards go to:

Sonny - for always eating up his dinner

Isla L-A - for her kindness towards her fellow classmates

Reuben - for always being a great help to lunchtime staff

Oliver - for always being polite to lunchtime staff

Homework

Class 1: Year 2 - Spellings, apostrophes and 2D & 3D shapes. Reception - Little Wandle & reading dinosaur sentences.

Class 2 - Write a newspaper report about Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb. Maths Y3: Comparing lengths of objects. Maths Y4: Kilometre Dominoes.

Class 3 - Spellings. Maths - Adding and subtracting fractions. Literacy- SPAG check

Please read every night and remember to sign the reading record so that your child can receive some raffle tickets. We have some amazing books to choose from if their name is chosen!



Dates for your diary

15th February - Class 3 to Netball Competition at Staindrop Academy

16th February - Class 1 to Multi-skills event at Staindrop Academy

17th February - School closes for half term break

27th February - School re-opens

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Kidd and the Cotherstone Team