



*Highwood Round Up*  
*March 2022*

We enjoyed eating pancakes on Pancake Day. We were really good at using cutlery!



# Nursery

We had lots of fun on World Book Day dressing up as our favourite book characters. We even met The Tiger Who Came to Tea!



"The lemon was so sour but I liked it!"  
Nate



Our new climbing frame is finally ready to use! We had a little opening ceremony followed by lots of climbing, swinging and balancing,



Science Week gave us lots of opportunities for planting flowers and vegetables. We also enjoyed going to the pond to find frogspawn.



"I can climb. I am not scared anymore!"  
Ahilya



"This is hard work pulling up the hill."  
Jenson



"I love watching the tadpoles. They have hatched now."  
Alaia



# Reception



World Book Day 2022

We celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as the most fantastic characters! We had so much fun developing our love of reading and books. Have a look at some of our marvellous outfits...



Outdoor Area

We have been lucky enough to get some new equipment in the Early Years Garden! We have been climbing, jumping, swinging



"It's so fun. Whoever made it I want to say thank you." Jenson

"I think I named one of the tadpoles Queenie." Etta-Rae



Pond and Frogs

We had a visit to the pond to see the frogspawn. We took some back up to the Nursery classroom and have watched it grow into tadpoles!



"I got a suitcase, a hat and a coat. I'm Paddington." Elsie

"2, 2 and 1 make 5!" Ella



Magical Maths

We have been ordering numbers to 10. We have learnt so much about how numbers are made and how we have two parts for each number. Look at our wonderful Maths lessons.





Rabbi Sharfstein came to speak to us about passover. The pharoah said 'no' to letting all the slaves go. So a plague of frogs was sent to Egypt.

We have been looking at Vincent Van Gogh's favourite flower. We have been mixing our sunflower paints in our new art sketchbooks.



"I liked painting the sunflowers." Jannat



In computing we have been using colour magic to draw pictures using different tools

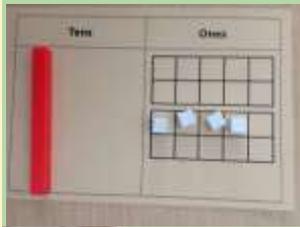


"I was making my sunflowers painting. I didn't have orange so I was mixing the red and yellow together" said Bayan.

"I liked learning the names of the plants." Luke

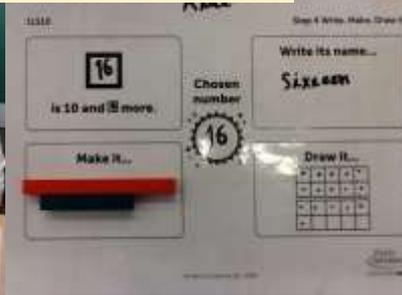
"We were searching for plants. Plants are not the same because they smell different and have different colour leaves." said Freddie.

In maths we have been learning about teen numbers. We have represented them in different ways using lots of concrete apparatus like cuisenaire rods and base 10.



We have been moving to the beat of the drum in music with Mrs Nicolas. We had to be four different animals.

Science week - we have been plant detectives. Do you know that trees are evergreen or deciduous? Look at the leaves.





We had great fun dressing up for World Book Day. We have been reading George's Marvellous Medicine in Guided Reading.



We recreated George's medicine outside.

We designed our own book cover based on Quentin Blake's illustrations and wrote a blurb on the back.



"George makes a nasty, horrible medicine because his Grandma is selfish and rude."  
Archie and Lily



We used watercolours to paint our own medicine bottles. "The watercolour was like a colourful rainbow." Belle



"When the medicine exploded, we all screamed!" - Eddie

Year 2

# Year 3



"We poked holes in a box and shone a torch through. At first we couldn't see much but as we poked more holes we could because more light was coming through." Owen



"I liked doing the debate because we can tell other people our own opinion about a topic." Millie

During British Science week we planted some cress, peas and broad beans. We have learnt about what plants need to grow so now we are regularly checking on how they are doing.



In English we have been learning about persuasion and debates. We have been trying different techniques and openers to try and persuade others about uniform and homework.



On World Book Day we did lots of different activities. I really enjoyed dressing up and reading to the reception children - Noah

"In Maths we used Cuisenaire rods to help us build fractions. This made our Maths work more fun." Dolcie



In P.E. we learnt some different swinging sixties dance moves. My favourite dance moves were the swim and the mashed potato. Grace



We took part in the first Highwood Poetry Performance competition - and Hawthorn 4 won with their acting of "Cool Cat"!



It was really nice . I liked the little children and reading to them Zainab



Year 4 have been learning about sound in science. We really enjoyed learning about how to change the pitch using water in bottles and seeing if we could tune them to make the same note. We then had a go at seeing if we could make the bottle match the note on a xylophone.



"I really enjoyed reading with Year 1 because the child I read with liked the same things as me and they listened well." Millie

We loved dressing up as our favourite book characters on World book Day. We did lots of reading activities and really enjoyed sharing stories with some of the Year 1 children.

"We learnt that if you put more water in the bottle it makes a lower sound and if you have less water it makes a higher sound." D'Andre



# Year 4



"I enjoyed prepping the food and the end result was delicious." Ruby-May

"It was really fun to learn new skills and the food was tasty." Flynn

Year 5



This month in DT, Year 5 have been looking at Asia. We explored the different utensils and researched different types of cuisines from various countries.

The children went on to researching recipes from Indian, China and Afghanistan.

To conclude the topic, the children learnt to prepare, cut and then finally cook a dish.

They thoroughly enjoyed cooking stir fried rice and vegetables and learnt the basic skills of safety and cooking.



# Year 6



A group of Year 6 children visited the **Random Cafe** in Watford. This wonderful establishment is a cafe which aims to combat food waste in the local area and become more sustainable.



During the visit, the children planted a variety of seeds and plants. These will be replanted in the school greenhouse and garden, hopefully leading to some tasty vegetables.



Enjoying a well deserved drink and snack at the Random Cafe, after a morning of planting seeds.



The children learnt all about the aim to grow their own food and explored the raised beds and poly tunnels. Discovering what grew well and how to look after plants.



Planting seeds and plants ready for re-potting in the school garden.

