

There is so much in the blog this week, so I'm going to keep my message short and sweet. We were all so proud of the children who performed last week and delighted that we could go ahead with our shows. Thank you for sticking to the rules and helping to keep everyone as safe as is possible in the present times. I'm looking forward to a Christmas sing along outside with Year 5 and 6 this afternoon.

As ever, I am very grateful to all the staff for their hard work and so appreciative of all your support over the last term. Your children have worked really hard and are ready for a rest. I sincerely hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and I look forward to seeing you all again in 2022!

*Jo White Headteacher*

## **Class Pages**

**Year 3** had a visit from Reggie and Mrs White a few weeks ago. We interviewed Mrs White about how Reggie spends his days at school, before thinking about how we could turn this information into a story. We spent time reading books about doggie adventures to find out what normally happens in these sorts of stories. Then we planned, wrote, edited and designed our very own Reggie books! Take a look at some of our front covers, stories and blurbs.



## My Reggie Schenck

One day Reggie woke up and ambled downstairs for his breakfast. Afterwards he ran outside to play with his doggie friend with a ball.

Suddenly Reggie heard a high pitch meow. Slowly he turned around to find a cat. ~~not~~ As dog's love to chase cats this isn't a good thing.

Reggie chased it around posts over walls until he was so fast he couldn't stop and got tangled up in rope.

Luckily Mrs White found him in a few hours because

when Mrs White was on a walk a man said there is a dog along here is it yours? Mrs White knowing that Reggie was lost went to see and yes it was. She gently untangled him took him back home and gave him a lovely cuddle.

THE END!

## My Reggie Adventure at Sunday

One morning Reggie<sup>i</sup> woke up, and is extremely tired.

As you can imagine this isn't a normal Saturday so it's extremely not normal. As Reggie<sup>i</sup> was coming the ~~so~~ woman in the air was delicious because Mrs White cooked his favourite breakfast and ate it.

After an hour had gone past. Reggie<sup>i</sup> struggles with Mrs White so then he plays with his friend.

Then finally it's lunch, and Reggie<sup>i</sup> has a drink and then breathes his mess.

After that he plays with a ball and then he plays.

Then can't find home so then a kind care man finds Reggie<sup>i</sup> and diles 072653.

Then Reggie<sup>i</sup> says hi so then he struggles with Mrs White.

After that Mrs White unages a stuff date with the care man.

Reggie the dog has spent a restless night and all he wants to do is sleep. But every time he settles down for a nap, someone interrupts him...

## REGGIE MAKES A NEW FRIEND



## MY Reggie Adventure



### Reggie's Stolen!

One morning Reggie woke up. He ran downstairs for breakfast and said "WOOF WOOF!" to wake Mrs White up. Mrs White yawned and made Reggie a delicious meat breakfast. He scoffed it up. This is when the excitement starts!

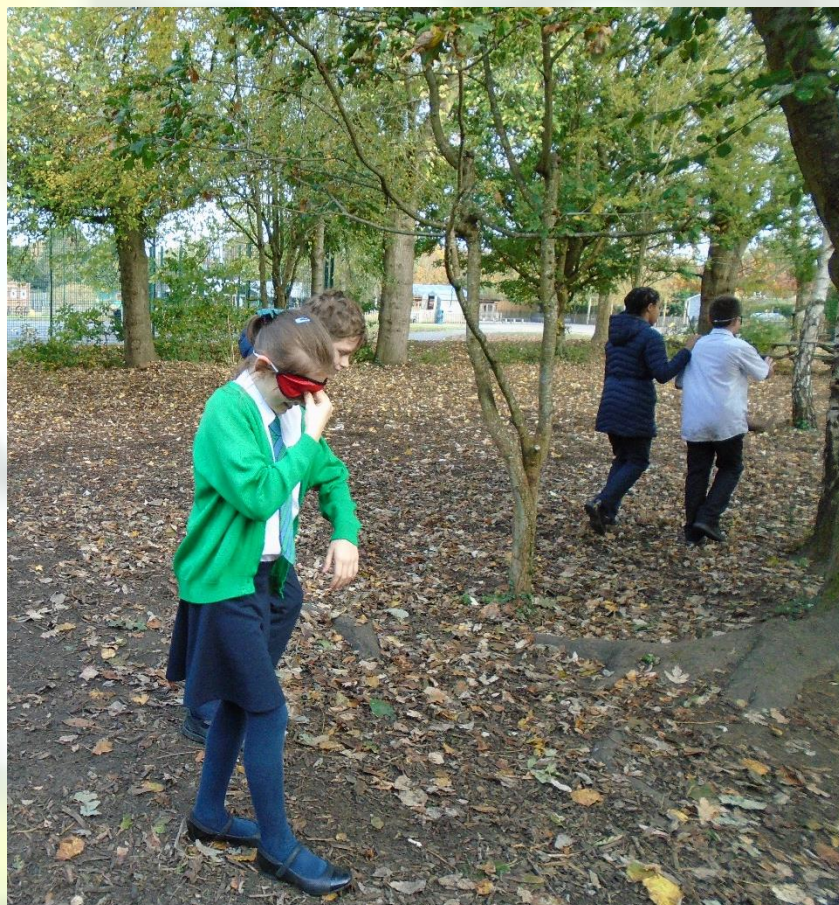
He slept for an hour. Suddenly he got woke up by a crash! The next moment Reggie found himself in a cage of a car. Then he realised he had been stolen! The robber had dashed everywhere.

Mrs White called the police. The police chased ~~chased~~ the police robber. Reggie opened the door of his cage. At this point the robber screamed to a halt and the police caught up. The police took Reggie home. Mrs White and Reggie were reunited.

The **Eagles and Ospreys** have thoroughly enjoyed their Forest School sessions with Mrs Wickwar this term. They have tried their hands at whittling, baking bread and introducing each other to trees!







**Reception** we have been so busy getting ourselves ready for our Nativity. We worked so hard to learn our words to say and the songs to sing. We were so proud when our parents came to watch. Now we are ready for Broadway! We are excited to start learning about Christmas and all that it means around the world.











**Year 1**, over the last few weeks have been working hard with our rehearsals for our Christmas Nativity "The Angel who Nearly Missed It All". We all loved dressing up and singing the joyous songs, working with new teachers and alongside the Year 2 children. We hope you enjoyed watching our acting debuts.

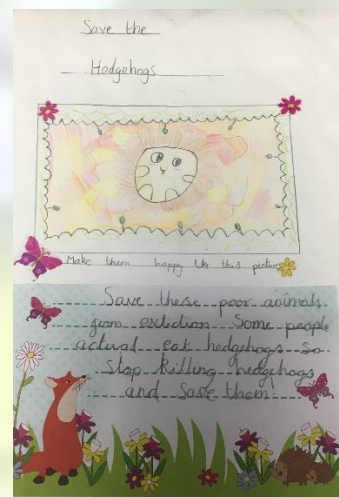
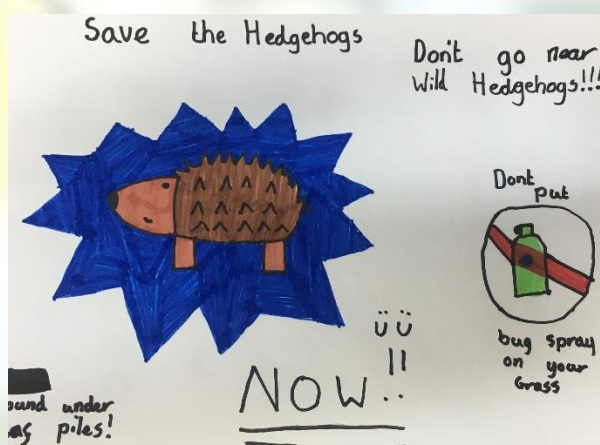
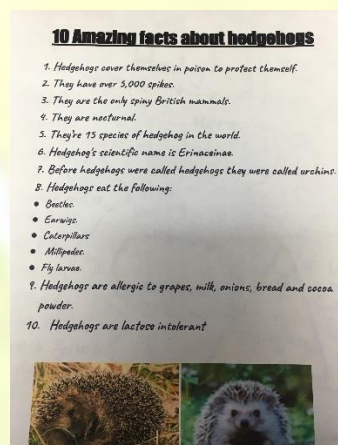


This half term the **Robins and Finches** have loved learning all about animals in Science. Here are some photos of the children learning to classify animals based on their food groups.



A group of children in **Year 4** have created their very own **Hedgehog Club!**

"It all started when we learnt about hedgehogs after half term. We made a huge club! We have loads of members and everyone is taking part. Some people have designed posters and fact files and others have been building dens in the Wildlife Area for hedgehogs. Keep your eyes wide open for posters around school that will give you more information about helping hedgehogs!"

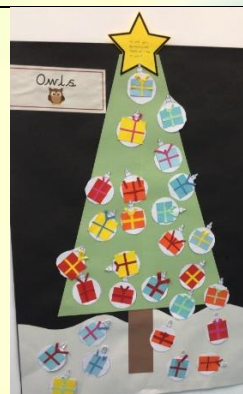


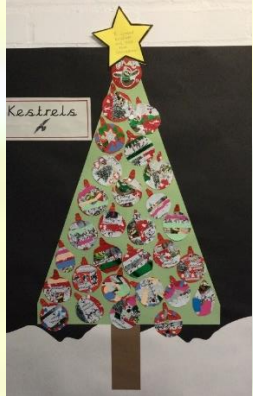
## Our Whole School Christmas Display

This year a team from the **Eagles and Ospreys** worked together to create a whole school Christmas display.

They began with a big brainstorm with everyone contributing their ideas. They settled on a winter wonderland theme and decided that every class would decorate a tree with baubles. They thought very carefully about what each year group could achieve successfully and independently. They planned 7 different activities and spent a morning visiting each class to explain what they'd like them to do. In addition, the children were also asked to think of a Christmas wish/message to add to a star on the top of their tree. The team gave up their lunchtimes to put together the display and attach it to the walls around our school for everyone to enjoy.

A huge thank you to Dexter, Joanna, Sophia, Harriet, Ewan, Eli, Lucy and Riley for all your hard work!





## Sport at Burpham



I wanted to take a moment to let you know that I'm very excited to be working in Burpham Primary School, helping to raise the profile of sport across the school. In PE this term we have been participating in Football, Hockey, Tag Rugby, Netball, Basketball and Gymnastics. I know that for some children, PE may not be their favourite lesson, but by making the lessons fun and giving students the opportunities to problem solve and work collaboratively, it can be a real positive for every student's wellbeing.

We know as well as developing physical skills, PE helps students navigate complex social situations and nurtures their emotional development.

Sport is for everyone to take part and enjoy and that is my aim for the pupils at Burpham. I hope to inspire all children to adopt this love of physical activity and take it with them as they move through secondary school and into adult life.

## PSA News



## Olympic Times Table Challenge

Well done to everyone who took part in November's Olympic Times Tables Challenge, the last of this calendar year! Congratulations to the following children:

Olympian	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Malek Abdelkhalek (Y3) Doruk Gungoren (Y3) Heidi Langridge (Y3) Joshua Livingstone (Y3) Annabelle Ley (Y4) Ruby Parker (Y4) Jacob Siggins (Y6)	Alex Evans (Y4) Milo Gordon (Y4) Fred Haines (Y4) Ethan King (Y5) AJ Backhurst (Y6)	Ilana Morris (Y6)	Dojin Gurung (Y4) Moeed Babar (Y5) Oliver Gibson (Y5)

The next Olympic Times Tables Challenge will take place on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.

**UPDATE:** Our new Platinum Challenge is now ready!

This challenge is for children in years 5 and 6, who have already achieved their Gold award. This challenge stretches the children's understanding of times table facts to a new level, encouraging them to apply their understanding to questions involving square and cube numbers, fractions, decimals and percentages. The practice paper can be found on our website, and children will be able to partake in this challenge from January 2022.

## From the Office



Many thanks for your donations to the Poppy Appeal in November.

Together we raised £621.77 which is a fantastic amount. Thanks once again for your generosity.

A reminder that we break up on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at the following times:

Reception – 1.00pm

Infants – 1.10pm

Juniors – 1.15pm

Please note there will not be Swifts or Swallows clubs on Friday.

The children will return to school on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.