



Harrowbarrow School

Newsletter

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Scribble Bots



During their recent science lesson, learning about electrical circuits, Class 4 made their own scribble bots. These motor powered devices can draw a range of patterns on paper, depending on how the children distribute the weight.

School Trips

We are very excited about the prospect of running school trips and residential again following the recent government announcement. We view these experiences as an essential part of the children's recovery curriculum. This week we sent letters to parents and carers announcing the following trips:

- Y6 residential at Land's End Youth Hostel with a visit to Penlee Museum & Gallery, participation in stand up paddle boarding in Mount's Bay and visits to St. Michael's Mount, Mousehole and Godrevy Point.
- Y5 & Y6 activity day at Roadford Lake to experience raft building, kayaking and sailing.
- Y5 & Y6 walk and picnic
- Y3 - Y6 Porthpean residential to experience indoor caving, climbing, high ropes, archery, canoeing, kayaking and coasteering.

In addition, Class 4 are visiting The Box Museum and the Cornwall at War Museum as part of their topic learning about WW2.

We hope that, as the roadmap to recovery continues to progress, we will be able to relax some of the restrictions we have had in place for over a year. At this stage though, the Department for Education guidance to schools remains the same.

What have you done for the first time?



Well done to Seth, who was recently awarded the 'Player of the Week' medal by his team the Kelliwick Mini Kickers.

It is so great to see children accessing extra-curricular activities outside of school again.

If you have done something for the first time, or want to share an achievement, please let us know and we can put it in the newsletter.

The Big Ask

Hi, my name is Rachel de Souza and I'm the Children's Commissioner for England. My job is to speak up for children in England, stand up for their rights, and make sure that the people in power listen to what children need and want.

It's time to give something big back to young people like you after COVID — and we need your help to do it.

This is the largest ever survey of children and young people in England. We'll use what you tell us to show the government what you think, and what children need to live happier lives.

This survey will only take you 5-10 minutes.

We'll use what you say to tell the people who run the country or your local area what you think needs to change to make your life better.

To participate, go to www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/

Inspired by their history lesson learning about WW2, Class 4 have been writing some stories that capture the atmosphere and emotions of that period:

"Jakub! Jakub, don't be daft! Come back this second. Do you hear me?" Mama screamed as Jakub jumped for his dog Sammy. "We have no time to rescue him. The tanks are here."

The tanks were coming. It sounded like a distant squeak at first, then it became a rumbling noise like a tonne of rocks falling off a cliff that was coming ever closer. We looked into the distance. We could still see no tanks. We could not tell which road they were coming from because they seemed to be surrounding us but invisible. Then in no time at all a roaring tank came around the corner. Jakub hid in a ditch and closed his eyes and prayed. Then a herd of tanks blew up our house, the park, the shop. The whole world felt like it was going to end. We had no choice. We all knew this could be our last day on Earth. Mama grabbed Jakub. He clung on her hand and cried out for his dog Sammy. We sprinted and sprinted. By Dylan.

"This is the worst thing that has ever happened to me," screamed Tallie as she raced towards the fenced off panda enclosure. "Where do you think you're going? We need to evacuate right away," shouted Emma.

Suddenly, there was a weird sound. It was like a pack of wolves feasting on their prey but then became a buzzing. It was the planes. Surprisingly the planes started to slow down and then we realised why. They were getting ready to strike. The doors opened slowly on the planes and then the bombs began to fall. On the city, on Drake's Circus, on the shops, on us. Tallie held her wet hands up to her face to cover her eyes. It felt to her that the world was ending. Now there was no looking back. We all knew this was the end. Tallie clung on to her teddy, as she and Emma raced towards the Anderson Shelter. We raced and we raced and we raced. By Alannah.

"Jimmy! Jimmy, don't be stupid! We need to get to go right to the bunker, the tanks are soon gonna be here!" Betty shouted and screamed. They headed to the bunker as fast as they could. "The tanks are here!"

The tanks were coming. It sounded like a tiger's loud roar but then it became a monster hunting his prey, that was coming closer and closer. We had no time to go back and get stuff. But then, over the hill, on our street, on our house, the whole world shattered and shook with a smashing smack. Betty picked up Jimmy in her arms and they ran and Jimmy screamed out of his mind.

Now we had no other choice. We all knew at that moment in time, there was no running back. Betty ran with Jimmy and they ran and ran and ran. By Oscar.



Road Safety Message from Mr Hunt

It is lovely to meet and greet everyone in the morning and say farewell at the end of the day, when I am on duty at the front of the school.

Recently I have seen a few children sprinting on ahead of parents and carers, eager to get to school or to go home. Occasionally, I have seen some running in the road to avoid other pavement users. This is understandable given all the social distancing we have become used to, but being hit by a passing car is probably a greater risk than Covid at the moment. Please remind your children of road safety rules, as I would hate for anything to happen as a result of not mentioning this to you. Thank you.

Dates for your diary

28.5.21 - Last school day before half term week

8.6.21 - First day back for pupils after half term

9.6.21 - Class 4 visit to The Box Museum

18.6.21 - Year 1 hearing screening checks

28.6.21 - Class 4 visit to Cornwall At War Museum