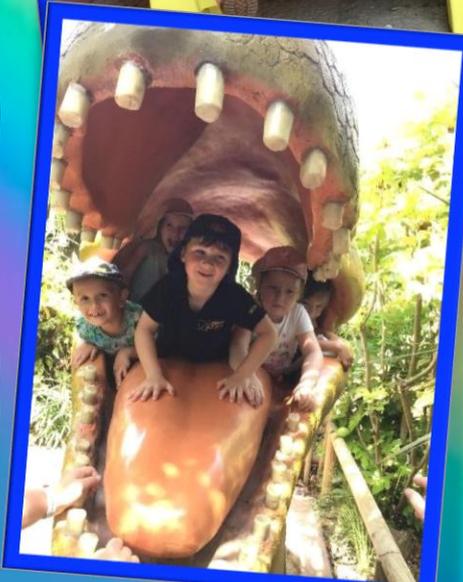


Shinewater Primary School

"Together We Shine!"

Hedgehogs and Squirrel's get out and about



Hedgehogs and Squirrels classes visited Drusilla's as part of our learning about animals and minibeasts. The children had the opportunity to stroke creatures and meet lots of new and exciting animals. We all had a lovely day in the sunshine, all the children behaved exceptionally well and made us all very proud. Thank you to everyone who helped. It was great to get out and about!

Thoughts about our local community

In History, we often think about significant events happening elsewhere in the past. However, important events have taken place in our own locality, too! Why not do some research about our local area and the important events that have happened here? A good starting point could involve a certain Norman Duke who landed here hundreds of years ago!



What's been happening in school?

Year 1 Animators



This week in computing, Year 1 pupils have been creating some wonderful animations. We were able to make objects move from one end of the screen to the other. The children really enjoyed developing their animating and computer painting skills. They felt very proud of the work they created this week.

Year 2 Pointillism in Art

In Year 2, we enjoyed our Stunning Start on the first day back and become African Artists for the day! We practiced the technique pointillism and experimented using different colours and found different ways of creating the dots. We painted a picture of a sun and turned our classrooms into an exhibition. We enjoyed looking at each other's artwork. We then continued our artwork this week and painted an African animal and savannah landscape.



Year 3 Big Thinking in RE

In year 3 this week, we have continued our learning about Buddhism during our RE Big Thinking days. We remembered lots of information from last time and then developed our understanding further. We learnt about the disciplines that Buddhists live their lives by. We thought about how we could show this through symbolism and this was one of our art lessons. The photograph shows – the Right Awareness (one of 8 paths). Millie decided to use different coloured ribbons to represent different charities that people may or may not be aware of. Do you recognise any of them? This was a lovely piece of art.

What's been happening in school?



Year four has had a fantastic time starting our science for this term! We are learning all about animals and their habitats. So far we have looked at invertebrates and vertebrates. I wonder if your child would be able to tell you what the difference is?

Term 6 is one of the busiest terms of the year and this year is no exception! Since returning to school, we have plunged with enthusiasm back into learning and have hit the ground running - especially in PE! We are continuing with our Learning Adventure based in South America and have introduced the mysterious Mayans in our reading lessons. In writing, we are writing a diary entry based on our class text and have had fun thinking about what it would be like to travel to Brazil on a passenger liner. In maths, we have consolidated our understanding of decimals and fractions and can now confidently draw number lines and navigate our way up and down them on demand!



Year 5

Year 6

The stage is up (thanks Mr. Pescott!)...the backdrop is ready (thanks Mrs. E!)...and the microphone is working (thank goodness!)...so Year 6 are almost ready to begin performing this year's production of Olivia! Everyone has been working hard to perfect lines, solos, acting, singing and dancing and it is shaping up to be a spectacular show. We know that the children are very excited to share all their hard work with you and will be in touch again shortly to explain arrangements for accessing the recording of our production (for Year 6 parents and carers) this year.



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

NHS - Thank you for the pictures sent from Shinewater pupils to the NHS vaccination centre



A message from our friends at the NHS:

Thank you for so many amazing pictures, we've loved looking at every single one and really appreciate the time the children have taken to do them for us.

The team are blown away by them, unfortunately we've not been able to put all of them up (infection control restrictions). We've chosen some of our favourites to display (which was no mean feat!) in the waiting area for the public to see and there are many more in the staff area (where restrictions aren't so tight).

A big thank you to our Year 1 parents who have been helping clear out the pond in the outdoor learning area. We really appreciate your support with this and the children can look forward to using the pond again for science and outdoor learning.

E-Safety and Online Safety News.

We were very lucky that Google kindly gave KS2 the family activity of being 'Internet Legend's'. Mrs. Boddy has loved seeing the 'trophies' that children have brought in and seeing the lovely photos of children. The children have really enjoyed making them and learning more about online safety.

Our 360 accreditation plaque has arrived and is proudly displayed in the foyer!



Please remember that we are always available should you need any help or advice. If you need to contact us please do as all staff will be able to support you. Mrs. Boddy is the online safety lead and deputy DSL if you would like to talk to her.



Sporting News...

Alex in Y1 has won the coaches' player of the year in rugby. We are very proud of you Alex! You are super fit.



We have appointed Mr Birch, a new Sport/PE coach for September. He is very keen to start at Shinewater and has lots of ideas and plans to help us all with fitness, wellbeing and loving life.

Every Child is an Artist Homework

Thank you for all the wonderful art work we have received for our half term family homework 'Every child is an artist'. Beautiful pieces were created inspired by Andy Goldsworthy, Romero Brito and Mondrian. Research was also completed on traditional art practices around the world and you even had a go at making them!



Have you been on our website recently?

SHINEWATER PRIMARY POLICIES AND GUIDANCE

The Shinewater Primary School is part of the Swale Academies Trust. Each school within the Trust has school-specific policies which can be viewed below.

ACCESSIBILITY PLAN
ANTI-BULLYING PROTOCOL
ATTENDANCE POLICY
BEHAVIOUR POLICY
BEHAVIOUR POLICY ADDENDUM
BRITISH VALUES
CHILD PROTECTION & SAFEGUARDING POLICY & PROCEDURE
CHILD PROTECTION & SAFEGUARDING POLICY ADDENDUM
CHILDREN WITH HEALTH NEEDS WHO CANNOT ATTEND SCHOOL
EDUCATIONAL VISITS POLICY
EQUALITY OBJECTIVES
HEALTHY EATING POLICY
NQT POLICY
ONLINE SAFETY POLICY
SEND INFORMATION REPORT
SEND POLICY
SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS POLICY

Academy Information

Curriculum

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Reception

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Safeguarding

You will find a wealth of information in the above drop down menus on our website, including policies, curriculum learning and the latest safeguarding addendum. Please have a browse. Any new ideas would be most welcome.

SWALE ACADEMY TRUST POLICIES AND GUIDANCE

These policies complement the key policies which are implemented in every school within the Trust.

CHARGING AND REMISSIONS
COMPLAINTS
DATA PROTECTION
EQUALITY STATEMENT
EXCLUSIONS POLICY
EYFS POLICY (ADAPTED BY THE SCHOOL)
HEALTH AND SAFETY
RELATIONSHIP & SEX POLICY
SEND PRINCIPLES (TRUST)
WHISTLE-BLOWING