



Friday 14th March 2025

IN THE CLASSROOM

YEAR 4

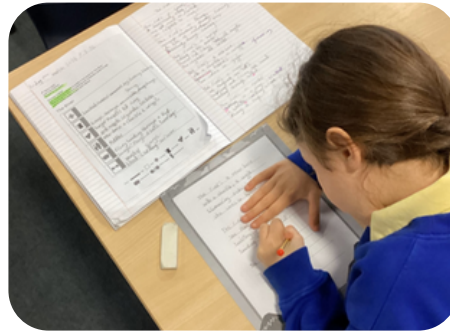
In their English lessons the children of year 4 have been using the poem "The River" by Valerie Bloom to inspire their own writing. They have used different metaphors such as "never stopping", "a baby" or "a monster" to write their own verses about different things in nature.

Excerpt from poem "The Owl"
by Sienna (year 4)

The owl's a painter,
Swaying its Feathers,
On the snowy canvas,
It makes her feel clever.

The owl's a fledgling,
Waking up in a nest,
When she eats a lot of food,
She needs a rest,

The owl's a sleeper,
Drifting into dreams,
When she falls asleep,
She sings and she gleams.



Excerpt from poem "The River"
written by Hugh (year 4)

The rivers a sun,
A heartbeat, a fish,
He will never be held,
He can never wish.

The rivers a child,
With a burble, a giggle,
With sparkly, glistening stones
That enjoy a soft tickle.

The rivers a monster,
Ready for war,
The blood curdling screams,
The sharp tipped claw.

RECEPTION

For science week we are experimenting growing vegetables from off cuts, the parts we normally throw away. We are looking out for roots growing down and shoots coming up to show new growth. We know it will take time and hope they will grow big enough to plant outside.



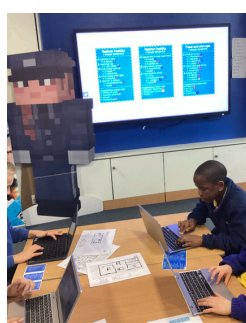
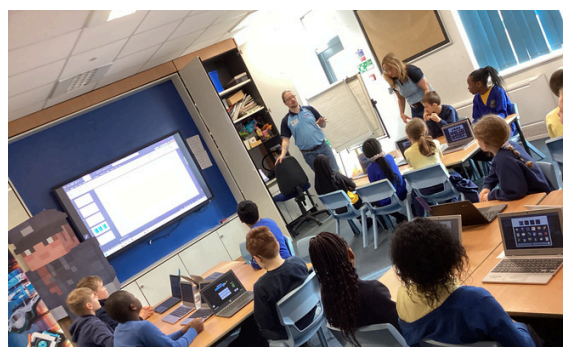
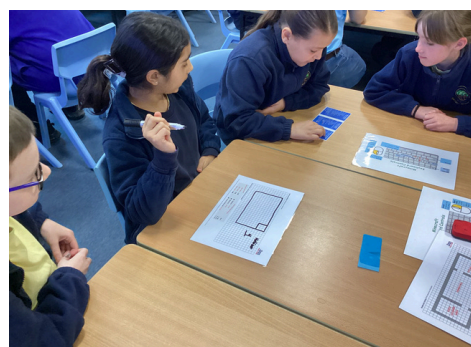
HOLI FESTIVAL

Aspen have been learning about the Hindu festival of Holi. We liked how colourful it was and thought it seemed like a fun festival with singing, dancing and throwing coloured paint. We have created colourful portraits of people celebrating Holi.



RAF STEM Minecraft session

Year Five & Year 6 had an amazing time during their RAF STEM Minecraft session! They worked together to build shelters designed to support individuals who had experienced a natural disaster. The activity was both fun and educational, allowing students to use their creativity and problem-solving skills while learning about the importance of providing safe, supportive spaces for those in need. Everyone enjoyed the hands-on experience and the opportunity to apply STEM concepts in a real-world scenario!



CELEBRATE 40 YEARS OF Comic Relief

NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

We're inviting all students to wear red for a day full of fun, laughter, and adventure as we mark this special occasion!

How You Can Make a Difference:

Join the fight for a cause! We're asking for a voluntary donation of £1 or more to support Comic Relief. Your contribution will help those in need, both in the UK and across the globe. Ready to donate? It's easy just visit our JustGiving page and be a hero:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-martinswood-primary-school>

DATES FOR THE DIARY

W/C 24th March - Year 5 Easter Journey

Workshops

21st March - Comic Relief - Non-Uniform Day

Holly Class violin performance 3pm

28th March - Non-Uniform Day (Easter Egg donations)

Year 3 school sleepover

4th April - End of Term 2pm finish

FOMW East Egg Hunt 2pm

Whole school attendance is currently 94.6%

Remember to achieve 100% attendance your child needs to be in school, every day and on time.