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## YEAR 3

In Year 3 we conducted an experiment to determine the best materials from which to make a hankie. We tested the permeability, roughness, absorption and strength of various materials.



## SAPPLINGS

Who doesn't love a box? The children in Saplings take great joy having large box play, It teaches them to negotiate space and measure, turn taking, sharing and cooperation. Using their imagination, the box becomes a boat, a train, an aeroplane, a spaceship, a car or a simple box. Once the box collapses, usually within a three hour session (more like an hour) we work together to flatten the box. This is where we use our gross motor skills, building muscle strength, before collecting large grip pens, laying on our stomachs to mark make.



## YEAR 5

This week in PSHE, Year 5 have been learning first aid skills. They learnt about what they need to do if they find someone who is unconscious and how to help them by putting them into the recovery position.





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## Masked Reader - The Big Reveal:

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Masked Reader challenge!

We hope you enjoyed listening carefully and trying to guess which members of staff were behind the mystery voices.

Here are the answers to the Masked Reader challenge:

- Mrs Clark
- Miss Wheeler
- Mrs Miles
- Mrs Oldfield
- Mrs Lund
- Mrs Metcalfe
- Miss Whitehouse
- Mrs Kenealy
- Mrs Hillyard
- Miss Baptiste
- Miss Earl
- Miss Rush
- Miss Cannon
- Mrs Phillips
- Mr Firminger

## Martins Wood VS Round Diamond

Our year 5 and 6 girls had a league match against local rivals Round Diamond. They had a very dominant performance, which resulted in a 4-0 win. Goals scored by Elise, Amelia and 2 from Nevaeh. That's 3 wins out of 3 for our girl's football team, we cannot wait for our next opponents.

## Miss Gunn's football match

Miss Gunn will be facing her old team Stevenage in a game being played on Sunday 22nd March at The Lamex Stadium in Stevenage. It would be great to get as many people down from the Martins Wood community to come and support. See the link below to book tickets:

<https://www.venuetoobox.com/stevenagefc>

**STEVENAGE FC WOMEN**  
**vs ROYSTON TOWN WFC**  
AT THE STEVENAGE FC STADIUM

**Sunday 22 March | 2pm**  
**borotickets.co.uk**  
Adults £10 | U18s £6 | U12s FREE

Stevenage Football Club  
2025/26

## School Meals Reminder

Please remember to book your child's school meal through SchoolGrid before 8:55am on the day. Ordering in advance helps the kitchen prepare the correct number of meals. If a meal has not been ordered by 8:55am, we cannot guarantee that your child will receive their preferred option. Thank you for your support.

## Congratulations!

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE  
WHO ATTENDED OUR  
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR.**

Together we have raised...**£917.60**.....  
for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS**

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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 20<sup>th</sup> March - Rocksteady Concert
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> March - Y5 Bikeability
- 27<sup>th</sup> March - End of Term - 2pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> April - INSET Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> April - Children back to school
- 17<sup>th</sup> April - Year 3 School Sleepover
- 1<sup>st</sup> May - Polling Day (Saplings Closed)

This week's average attendance is 92.9% Our average whole school attendance is currently at 91.8%  
Remember - to achieve 100% attendance your child needs to be in school, every day, on time.

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