ACE's HIGHlights

20th November 2026

Shining Bright: Year 2 Make Christingles

Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful afternoon learning about the meaning and tradition of the Christingle as they carefully made their own Christingle oranges.

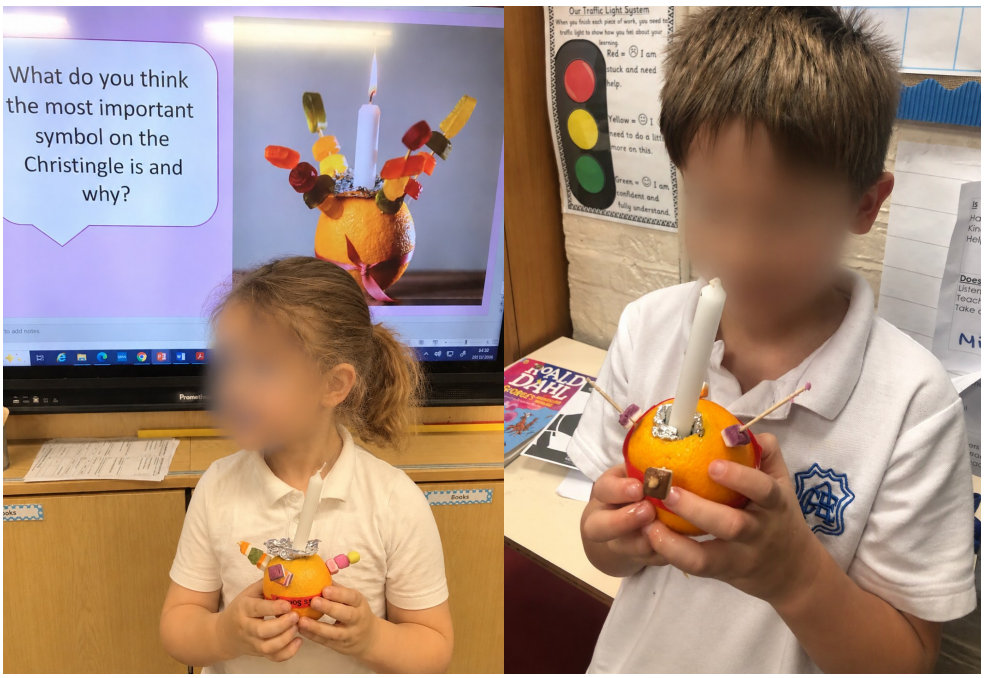
The children discovered that each part of the Christingle has a special meaning. The orange represents the world, the red ribbon symbolises God's love surrounding the world, the four cocktail sticks remind us of the four seasons, and the sweets and dried fruit represent the fruits of the earth. The candle placed in the centre reminds Christians that Jesus is the Light of the World.

The classroom was full of excitement as the children assembled their Christingles, taking great care to add each element correctly. They listened thoughtfully while discussing why Christingles are used in Christian celebrations and reflected on the important messages of hope, love and generosity that they represent.

The activity provided a wonderful opportunity for the children to develop their fine motor skills, learn about Christian traditions and share meaningful discussions with their classmates. The finished Christingles looked fantastic, and the children were proud to take part in this special experience.

Well done, Year 2, for your enthusiasm, careful craftsmanship and thoughtful learning.

"Let your light shine before others." Matthew 5:16.



Dates for the diary

- 24th November— Panther Class visit to Ashford Library
- 27th November— Year 6 WWII Theme Day
- 1st December— Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm
- 2nd December Year 5 Space Dome Visit
- 4th December— Year 4 visit to The Menuhin Hall
- 8th December— Infant Nativity 1.30pm
- 9th December— Infant Nativity 9.30am
- 10th December— Infant Nativity 9.30am
- 11th December— Christmas Jumper Day
- 11th December— Reception Christmas Singalong 2.30pm

Year 4 Become Master Bakers

AS part of their DT learning this half term year 4 children are understanding how a concept moves through the stages of planning to the end product that we see in our supermarkets.

They started this journey by tasting a variety of shop bought biscuits. Then this week they followed a basic recipe to create a simple biscuit. Since then they have discussed in groups their target audience and how they can make changes to the simple biscuit ingredients to appeal to them. They considered the costings of the ingredients involved and created a budget sheet to keep the price of the biscuits under £1.99.

Next they will decide a name for their biscuit and design the packaging that will hold their delicious treats. Finally in the coming weeks they will follow the instructions for the recipe and add in their adapted ingredients to create their final product. Watch this space for how they turn out.





Tasting the Nourish(ment)

THE children who have school lunches have had nearly a whole term of tasting the menu from the new caterer.

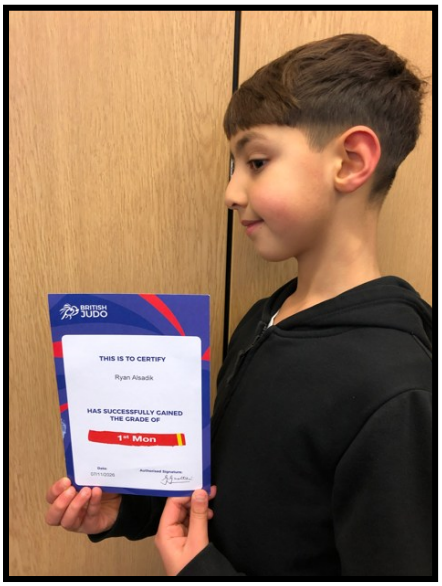
Nourish would like to invite parents to come to the hall after school on Thursday 26th November where some of the food we serve our children will be available for parents to try.

So if you've never tried a brownie made from parsnip, or a vegan cowboy hotpot why not pop along and have a taste of what is on offer for your children.



ACE ACHIEVERS

A Huge well done to Ryan from Elephant Class who has been practising hard at his Judo club and has achieved the grade of 1st Mon.



Congratulations Ryan and keep up the good work!

Year 6 Showcase Their Clay Tile Designs

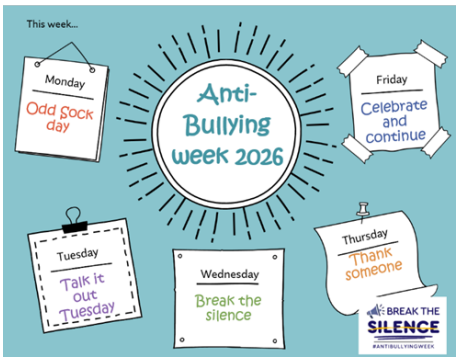
FOLLOWING their trip to the Watts Gallery in September, Year 6 were visited by staff from the gallery today who provided a workshop that saw them making clay tiles. The theme they had was 'where we belong' and they took their inspiration from nature. When the tiles are completed they will be displayed in an exhibition in February and we will give you further details of this nearer the time. Watch this space!







Odd Socks, Big Messages:
What We Learned During Anti-Bullying Week



When we see something wrong, we won't ignore it.

When someone needs support, we will help them find it.

When we are worried, we will speak to someone we trust.

Together, we will Break the Silence.

BREAK THE SILENCE
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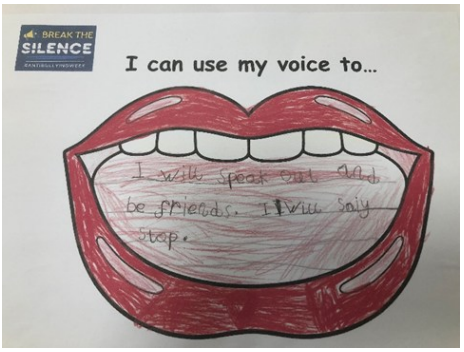
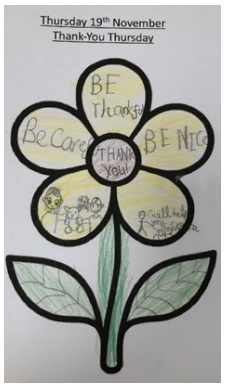
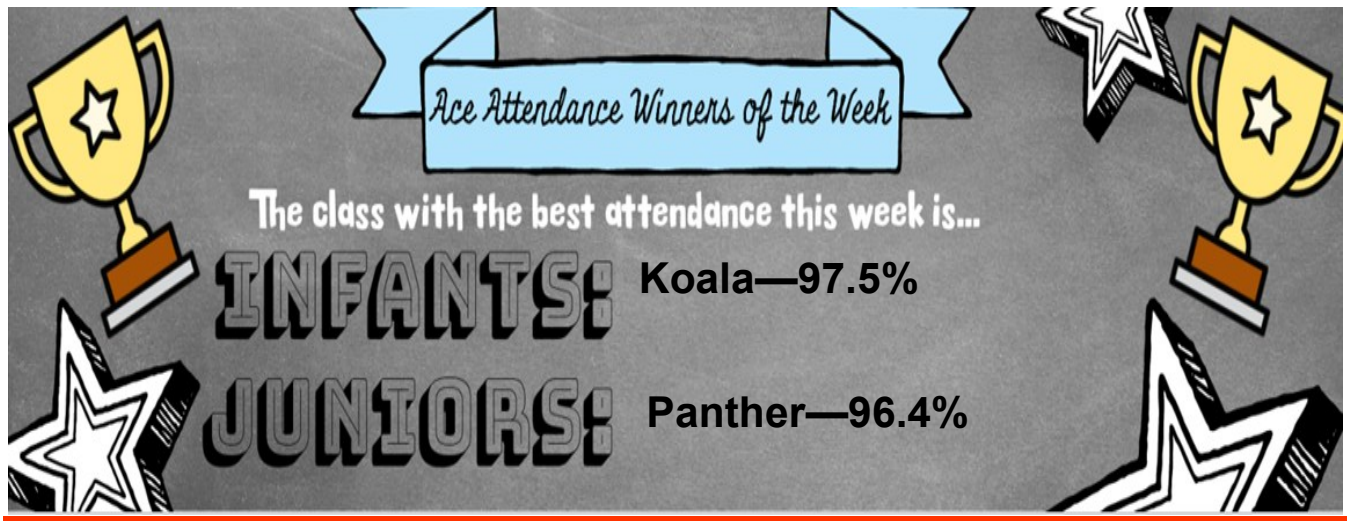
Some examples of our amazing learning











Our attendance target is 96% Whole school this week 91.9%

ACE Celebration Stars of the Week

	Name	Reason
Koala	Harry U	For great progress with his reading
	Michael N	For showing great kindness to his friend
Kangaroo	Florence	For trying really hard with her phonics
	Kelly C	For fantastic improvement when learning to write her name
Tiger	Marianna	For settling into ACE and having a great first week
	Natalia F	For amazing writing in English when writing your own story
Panda	Reggie M	For excellent number writing to 20 and for taking great care to form numbers correctly
	Ishra V	For always trying your best to write super sentences
Zebra	Harry BR	For great perseverance practising his handwriting
	Joey C	For writing an excellent postcard to the main character of our story 'The Proudest Blue'
Giraffe	Milina	For being kind and including others in the playground
	Eryne G	For her effort and independence in her English and Maths
Lemur	Cerys J	For a fantastic effort when adding tens to on hundred
	Frankie N	For fantastic effort when learning how to use inverted commas
Meerkat	Oliver B	For being an extremely supportive and kind learning partner
	Willow PK	For always showing an 'I can' attitude in all her learning
Rhino	William A	For being a kind friend to others and showing empathy when others are upset
	Evie F	For always working well with others by listening to opinions
Elephant	Ahana	For her great attitude towards her learning and challenging herself, particularly in maths
	Sabrina	For writing an exciting astronomer's log detailing the strange happenings in the sky
Llama	George S	For his perseverance when learning about mixed numbers
	Max C	For his brilliant effort towards writing an epic adventure
Buffalo	Samuel O	For his fantastic attitude towards learning, working hard and staying focused
	Scarlett K	For her focus, perseverance and hard working attitude
Panther	Evie B	For consistently supporting others and being an excellent learning partner
	Lucas P	For showing perseverance and determination when tackling long division in maths
Leopard	Olivia H	For her thoughtful and compassionate contributions during our discussions about anti bullying week
	Angel W	For her perseverance and resilience when learning the method of long division in maths