



11th February 2022

They Walk Among Us

In a break from tradition, we have decided to give eager audiences a sneak peek at how the senior drama production is progressing.

For those who don't know, we are making a film – which will be screened later this year. Without giving too much away the plot centres on a dystopian world where some humans are not what they seem

Mr Geary has written the screenplay, he will be directing, ultimately editing and as we can see - he is not adverse to getting down on the frozen ground to do some camera work also. Close to thirty pupils were involved filming scenes in the New Forest last weekend. This was only possible thanks to the help of an army of parents driving young actors back and forth and also the huge generosity of one set of parents giving up their home for set purposes! You all know who you are - thank you so much!



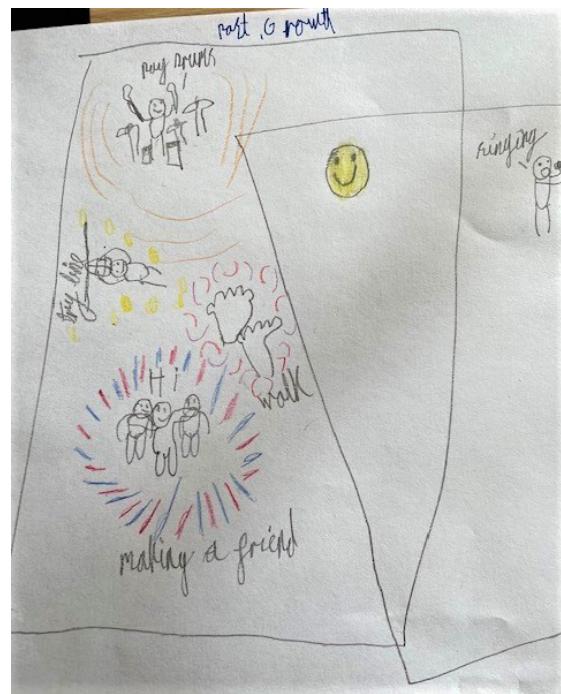
With eleven of the seventy scenes 'in the can' a good start has been made – but, there is still plenty to do – watch this space!



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

This week was Children's Mental Health Week. The week started with an assembly for both the Junior and Senior schools on 'Growing Together,' and how we can help each other achieve goals and try new things. The Junior School were able to see how Mr Peyton, having never sat at a piano before, was able to play Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, with the help of Mrs Minter and with all the boys willing him on. Well done Mr Peyton! The Senior School discovered how some of their teachers had achieved goals with the help of others including Mr Evans' first trumpet performance and how Mr Satterthwaite used the belief of all who had supported him - friends, family and all those who had sponsored him - that he could run the London Marathon.

Across the school, boys used their PSHE lessons to think about how they can challenge themselves to try new things and understand that, it doesn't matter how old or young we are, with the help and support of others, we can achieve things that wouldn't have been possible on our own. Below you can see some of the work produced by Years 2 and 4 during their PSHE lessons.





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YEAR 4

This week in their English lessons Year 4 have been writing poems about an animal of their choice. The boys have produced some wonderful work! Please see a selection below. Mrs Richards

The cheetah

Has a mighty yellow blur ever passed your face?
It must have been a cheetah going about its chase

Inside its jaws with many teeth,
Each as sharp as a razor blade.
Its one of the fastest creatures that God has ever made.

This fearsome mammal with an icy state,
Would give you an icy chill,
A chill surely big enough to make you tumble down a hill.

Many animals around the place suffers my mighty jaws.
I wish they didn't run away,
Let's hope they'll change the laws

By Henry

Peregrine Falcon

As you fly through the sky you give me the deadly eye.
Although the cheetah has pace, I can beat him in a race.

I am the king of the air with plenty of hair
Flying in the air you see me there.

You can't catch me now because you don't know how
200 miles an hour bird your as fast as a herd.

By Joe

My spots are the colour of night.
As I run at the speed of light.
I hunt like a knight
As day turns to night.
All buffaloes and boars
Will suffer my claws.
Until I have had my fill
Who am I?

By Angus

The Snow Leopard

The mysterious murderer
None are safe
All are on his plate
Hunter of hell
With teeth of steel
Run or die
Are you willing to try?
When you fall with a deafening roar
As your life slips away, you'll know
It's your last day

By Jake



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ANIMAL MAN!

As part of the Reception minibeast topic, we were visited by Luke and Ella who had a few special guests to show the children. Years 1 to 3 were also able to meet and learn about some of the amazing creatures. An African millipede, a tarantula and a corn snake to name a few! The boys loved handling the different animals and asked some interesting questions about each of them. There were many laughs when the tree frog kept jumping out of everybody's hands and the when the gheko demonstrated licking his eyeball!

Miss Hagger





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YEAR 3

History with a bit of Science thrown in!....Part One

To better understand the process of mummification that the Ancient Egyptians used to preserve the dead for the afterlife, the Year 3 boys became embalmers and mummified a tomato. They followed a set of instructions that had them removing organs, cleaning the body with 'palm wine' and then filling and covering it with natron, a mixture of salt and bicarbonate of soda. Their tomato-mummies will rest in their sarcophaguses for two weeks before we see if their embalming was a success; the Egyptians had to wait 70 days!

Mrs Hogan



RUGBY

It really has been an amazing last week or so of the half term on the rugby pitch with some incredible results across the school. I think all of the sports staff at various times have been incredibly proud and impressed with our respective teams. A few results in particular must be mentioned; The U9s brilliant performances to beat Eaton House, The U11 A team's win against The Mall and the 1st/2nd team wins over Twickenham Prep. All of these schools are so much bigger than us but our boys have not been intimidated and have 'stepped up' to the challenge and represented THS with enormous credit. The U10's, not to be out done, have also had some super matches this half term.

We look forward to the second half of the season with a great deal of confidence. Well done again to every boy has played this term and made us proud.

Mr Peyton

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THE JOYS OF READING!

Max in Year 3 attended a Literary Society event last weekend and has very kindly written a few words below about his favourite authors and books.

I went to see the authors of the Adventures on Trains books at a London LitSoc event. I really enjoy these books because they are full of mystery and facts about trains. The authors told us about themselves and here are my favourite facts.

M.G. Leonard

Her sons loved trains and they asked for a book about trains.

M.G. Leonard knew nothing about trains.

Until she met Sam Sedgman.



Sam Sedgman

He knows loads about trains!

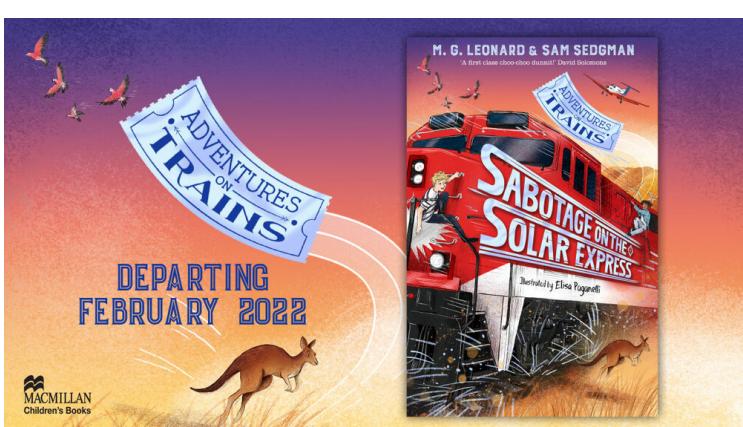
This is why they made the series of books together.

Elisa Paganelli

She is a really good illustrator.

The authors come up with a picture and she produces a better picture than they expected!

Their latest book is called Sabotage on the Solar Express. A new book called Arctic Railway Assassin will be published later this year. I can't wait to read them! I recommend the series to everyone.



Please remember to post your book reviews on the reading wall!

Make sure you include the name of the book and some details about what you liked so that it can help other boys with similar interests!

Thanks, Mrs Maxwell

LET'S GET QUIZZICAL! FOTH QUIZ NIGHT

**THURS 3rd MARCH
& FRI 4th MARCH**

Doors open at 7pm

Quiz starts at 7.30pm

THS Hall

Tickets per person: £15

Each ticket includes
quiz & delicious chilli.

Tickets on sale from 1st February on FOTH.ORG.UK





UPCOMING EVENTS

Year 8 Mock Common Entrance exams - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

Packed lunches needed for whole school Tues-Thurs.

Wed 23rd	-	U11 A/B v Ibstock (H)	2:45pm
Changed time from that in blue calendar			
Thur 24th	-	Year 4 trip to Royal Institution all day	
Packed lunch and coat needed			
Fri 25th	-	U10 A/B v Ibstock (H)	2:45pm
Changed venue and time from in blue calendar			
	-	U9 A/B/C v St Philips (H)	2:45pm

Congratulations to this week's house point champions who are ... **Chiswick!**



Some beautiful work by Year 1 as part of Children's Mental Health Week.

The boys thought about their own support network and created these balloons to show the people who help them grow.

Have a lovely half term!

Mr Gregory Evans, Headmaster