



Dear Parents & Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for supporting our Kindness Sponsored Walk. Kindness has been our theme across this half term and this culminates with today's event. Your kind sponsorship will support the NSPCC Kindness campaign and contribute towards new play equipment in our outdoor areas.

I would like to thank those families who were able to join us for our Work Day on Saturday 28th September. Along with our friends from Grove Church we managed to complete several activities around the site. We have also created a new dedicated Art and DT teaching space that will enhance our teaching in these subjects.

In our Celebration assemblies today those children who completed the Manchester Libraries Summer Reading Challenge were presented with a certificate and medal to mark their achievement – well done to all of our avid readers!

On 26th September we celebrated European Day of Languages. Across KS1 and KS2 our pupils were immersed in activities to help them learn a little French, German and Spanish. In KS2 the children produced a Passport for their country capturing interesting fact about our fellow Europeans.

Next week we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival in school. Thank you to all families who have donated items. If you haven't made a donation so far, pupils can still bring items into school on Monday. After our Harvest Assembly, we will be donating all items to Quids In Food bank.

If you do not currently use the School Spider app, please download it to your devices (Instructions are included in this newsletter). This will replace email as our main method of communication between home and school, as well as the place that your child's homework will be posted.

Finally, a reminder to parents that the booking system is open for Parents' Evening appointments. The meetings are scheduled for next week, so please book an appointment via School Spider if you haven't done so.

Best Wishes

Kevin Corteen.  
Headteacher

## Attendance:

Our attendance target for this academic year is **97%**.

Our whole school attendance figure up to the week ending 04.10.24 was **95.7%**

The following classes had attendance above our school target W/E 04.10.24:

**Oak - 99%, Ash - 98%, Beech - 99%, Aspen - 97%, Spruce - 97%, Saplings - 100%.**

The following classes attendance was above our target W/E 27.09.24:

**Oak - 100%, Ash - 97%, Pine - 98%, Beech - 98%, Hazel - 97%, Larch - 97%, Aspen - 97%, Acorn - 98%.**

## Star of the Week:

Well done to the following pupils who received star of the week this week:

**Elm** - Zayaan & Leylah, **Pine** - Amy & Amir,  
**Ash** - Adam & Summer.

**Beech** - Zidane & Athena, **Hazel** - Harlee & Maria,  
**Larch** - Kalista & Cade..

**Aspen** - Reeya & Nusayba, **Rowan** - Zizo & Charlie,  
**Spruce** - Zidan & Sehaj.

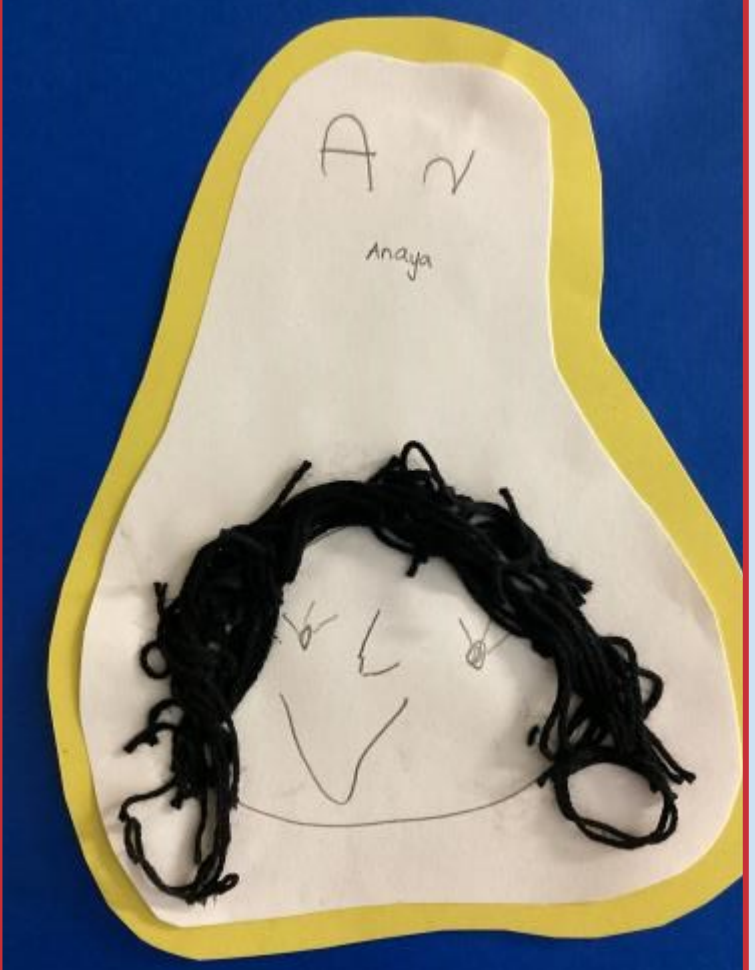
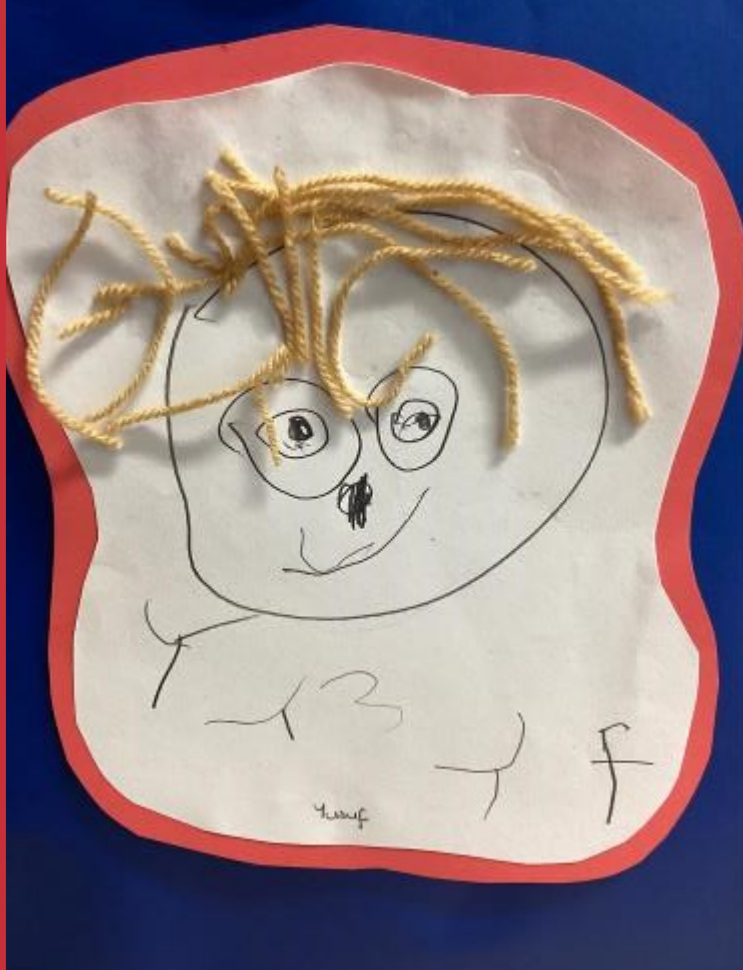
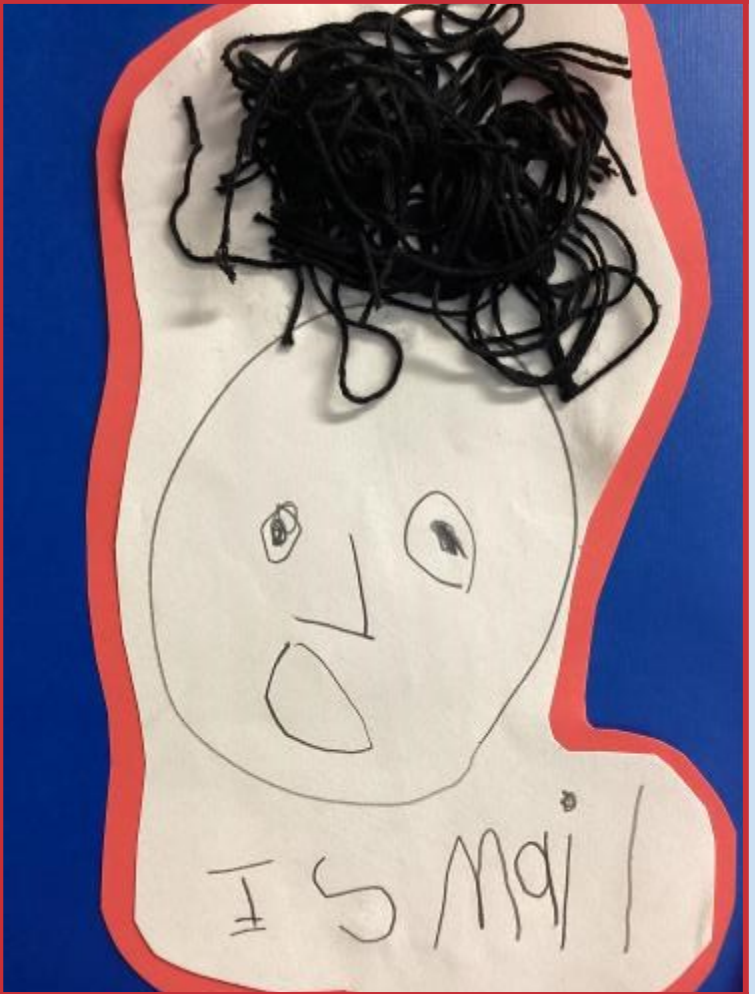
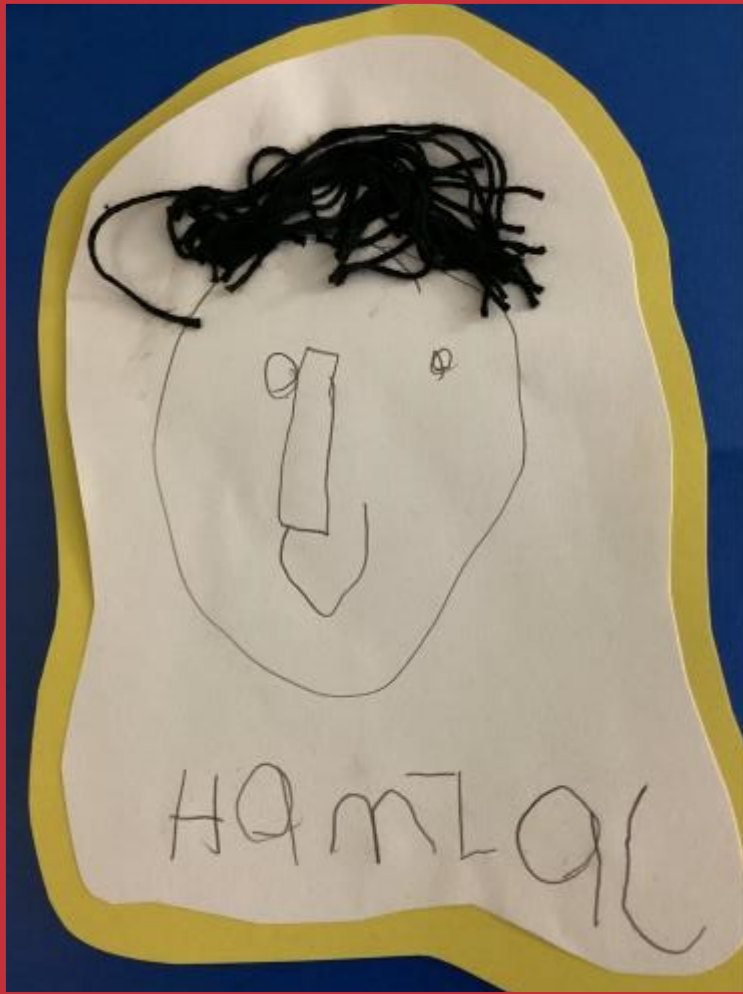
Well done to the following pupils who received star of the week last week:

**Pine** - Georgie & Lachlan, **Ash** - George & Aneesha.

**Beech** - James & Fathima, **Hazel** - Narayan & Daisy,  
**Larch** - Aniya & Hendrik .

**Aspen** - Asha & Ayah, **Rowan** - Emma & Abyar,  
**Spruce** - Harry & Oliver .

In Reception we have been reading the story My Hair by Hannah Lee. The children have created their self portraits by looking closely in a mirror and identifying their features and hair colour.



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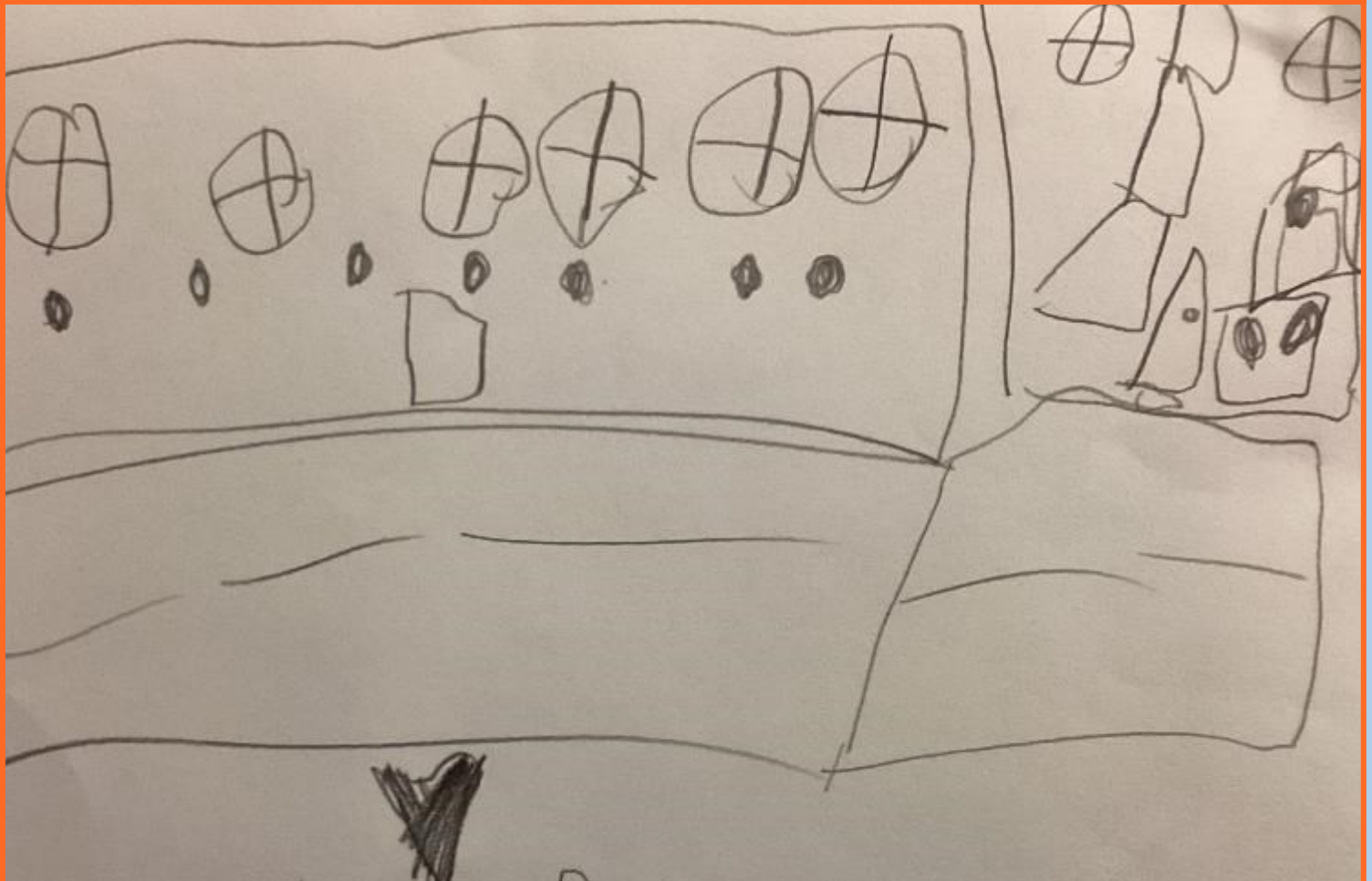
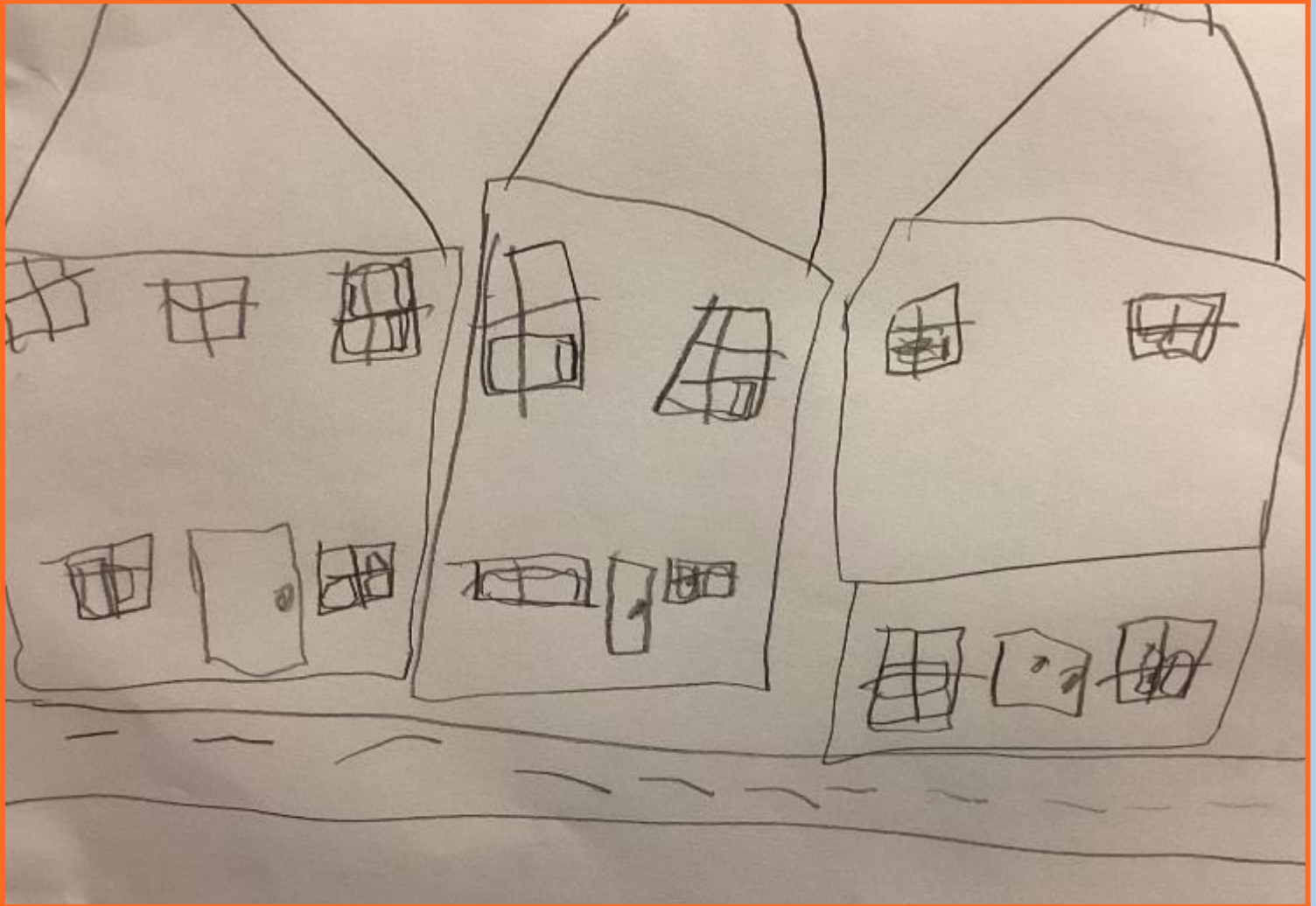
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In Reception we have been thinking about where we live and what our homes look like. We have created simple maps, showing the road we live on and our house.



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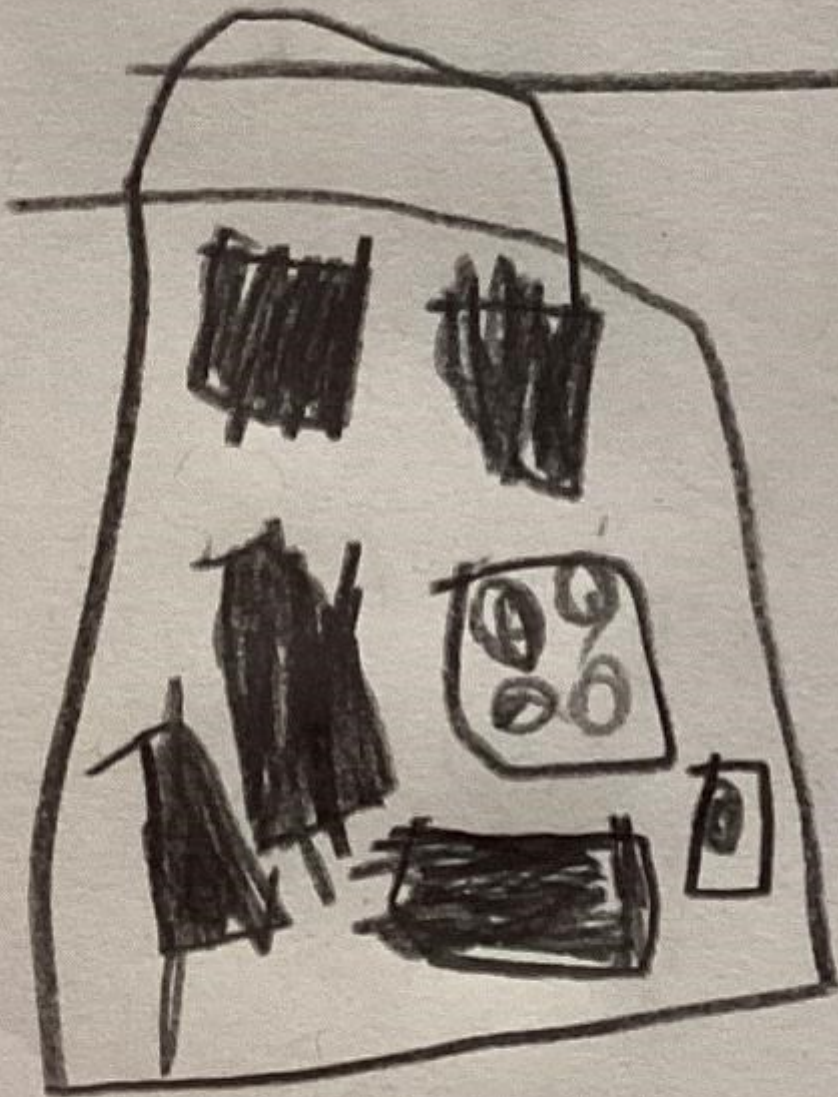
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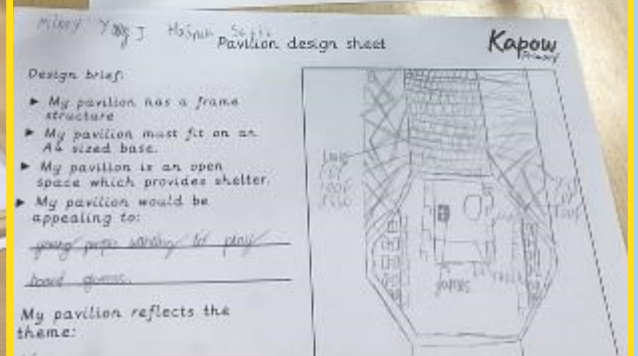
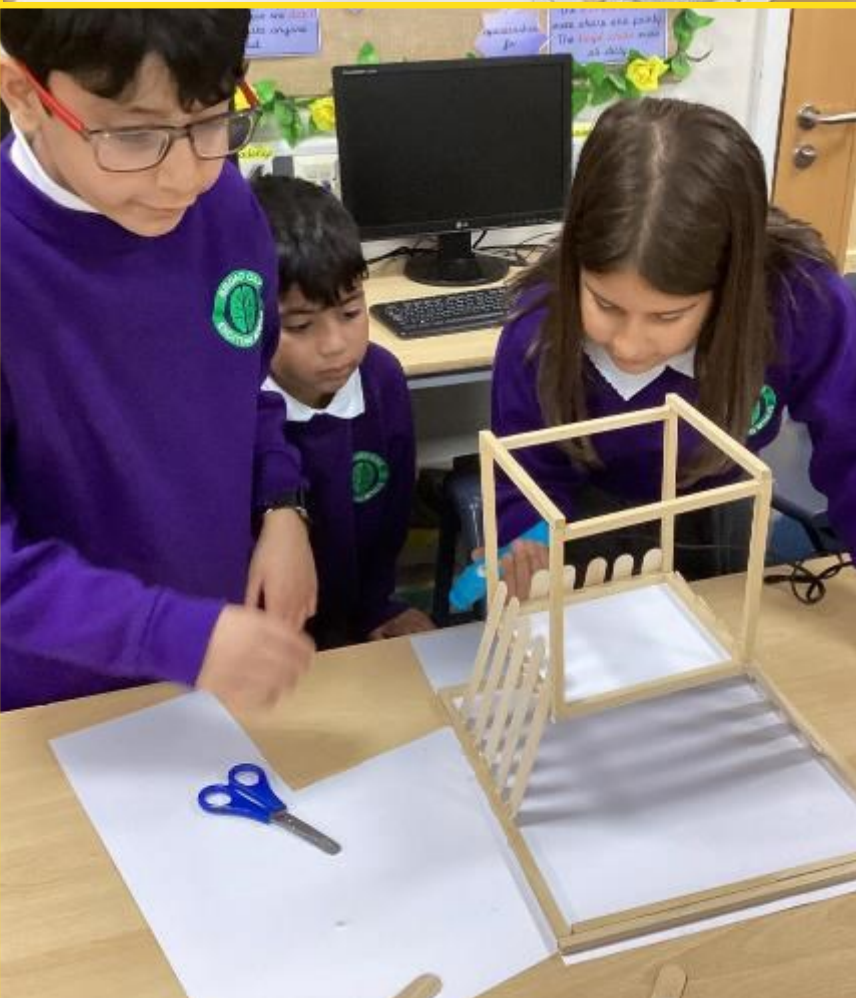
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Beech class have been constructing their pavilion structures today in DT. They have showed a lot of resilience and a great attitude.







This term LKS2 are lucky enough to have One Education to come in and teach them how to play an instrument.

They are learning a brass instrument and the skills needed to play one. We have our own mouth pieces and are using a P-Buzz to learn how to play, make different notes and how to improvise within a tune.

All of the children are thoroughly enjoying their music lessons and their teacher Nat Martin is inspiring them.

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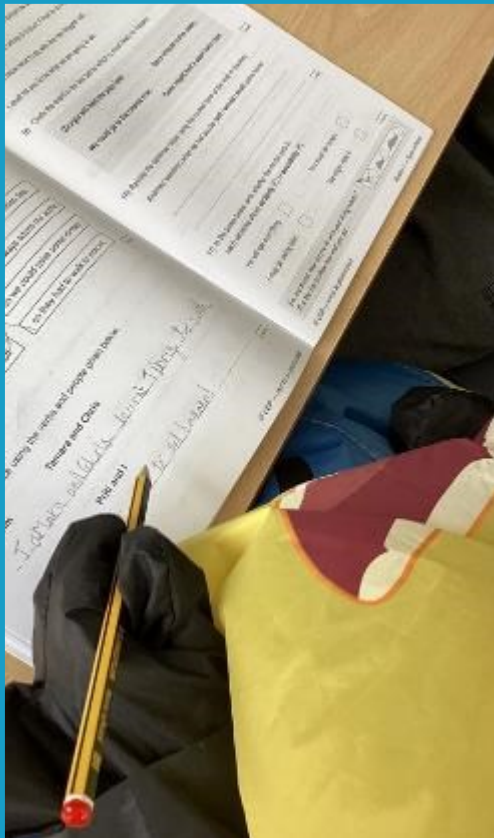
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I thought that you all might enjoy seeing how our new student 'Stuart' is settling in to Spruce Class today. He seems rather fixated on bananas but I can't fault his enthusiasm!



# **Wear it loud. Wear it proud.**

Wear yellow this World Mental Health Day, 10 October, and show young people they're not alone with their mental health.

To mark World Mental Health Day next Thursday 10th October, we are inviting all children to wear yellow as it is significant for mental health awareness because it is a symbol of hope, positivity and emotional well-being.

We encourage all students to wear their PE t-shirts. On this occasion, we are not expecting donations.



**Hello  
Yellow**  
**THURS 10 OCT**

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# Guide to our app for parents & carers



School Spider allows you to receive and return information directly to and from the school. Receive instant messages, complete surveys, book your parents' evenings and report absences.

Select your school to get started!



## How to get started

Once you have selected the school, you will see posts from the school website. Click parent dashboard to login or create an account. Create an account by pressing "create account" and enter your email address.

**You must have your email linked with the school!**

## Take a look around...

See all action items on your dashboard

Click to respond or book for each child



Click the envelope to see your recent messages

Click these 3 lines to:

- Switch between areas
- Edit your profile
- Logout

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