



Upcoming Dates

October

30th INSET Day

31st First Day of Half Term

November

1st Y1 Strawberry Hill House

1st Y3 Stone Age Workshop

2nd Y6 PACCAR Scout Camp

2nd Y2 Scooter Training

2nd Y4 GBC Meeting @ 6.00pm

3rd Y4 Movie @ 3.45pm

6th Book Look

7th Book Look

8th Reception Maths Workshop

9/10th Y2 Scooter Training

9th Netball v. Trafalgar

10th Y5&6 Cross Country Trials

13th Odd Socks Day

14th Tag Rugby League

15th Girls' Football Tournament

17th Y3 Cake Sale

24th Y6 Hampton Court Palace

24th Borough Cross Country

December

2nd Christmas Fair

6th / 7th Y6 Madagascar

8th Pre-School Cake Sale

11th Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

St. Mary's & St. Peter's CE Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past few weeks, we have been celebrating Black History Month by learning about inspirational people; their achievements and their impact on society.

For those children wishing to do some research into a person of interest who has made an impact on our lives today, there is an optional homework task posted in Google Classroom.

Although there is a particular focus in October, children learn about diversity throughout the year.

Wishing you a restful and relaxing half term. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 31st October.

With warm wishes,
Ms Helen Swain
Headteacher

Hello Yellow

Thank you to all those who kindly donated to Hello Yellow in support of World Mental Health Day.



Book Fair

The school book fair will take place on Wed 1st and Thurs 2nd November and will be held in the infant playground. Parents are invited from 3pm should they wish to purchase books before collecting their child, though it will be open until 4pm each day. As we are a cashless school, we will be taking card payments only.

This year the book fair will be run by Usborne Books, who provide an extensive range of fiction and non-fiction books suitable for every child from Early Years right through to Key Stage Two and beyond.

The more books you buy, the more books the school can order for free from Usborne! We look forward to seeing you there

The Big Recycling Hunt

The Eco Warriors are very excited to introduce 'The Big Recycling Hunt 2023'. This year, the focus is on 'Lost Recyclables'. These are items that sometimes get missed out of our recycling, e.g. plastic shampoo bottles, aerosols, pots and trays, food cans and tins... but these items can be recycled or even made into something new. The Recycle Now website has lots of fun activities to try and three competitions for you to enter. You could: Design a poster inspired by an activist artist; write a leaflet to encourage people to recycle one of the lost recyclables or write and perform a play/poem (with toys- no faces) about one of the lost recyclables. Everything you need to know to take part is on the website. It would be wonderful to hear how you get on.

Here is the website: [Home Page - The Action Pack \(recyclenow.com\)](https://www.recyclenow.com) Don't forget to get parental permission before submitting any projects.



Year 4 Greek Day



Last Friday, the children in Year 4 all looked fantastic in their ancient Greek outfits ready for a whole day of learning, dedicated to finding out more about life in Greece 3000 years ago! The morning saw the children using their team skills to solve Archimedes puzzles and learning how to play a Greek strategy game called Petteia. The afternoon was all about Spartan soldiers and the Olympics.

"It was one of my most fun experiences and the most interesting History lesson. The man brought in weapons, armour and shields."
Nuria and Elly

"The best part was when we took part in Olympic events!"
Aoife and Avid



Music News

This week band members from our two Jamming Together clubs united to perform in our Music Collective Worship.

They performed 'This Girl is on Fire' with such confidence and inspired us with their great teamwork and performance skills.



Year 1 visit to Strawberry Hill

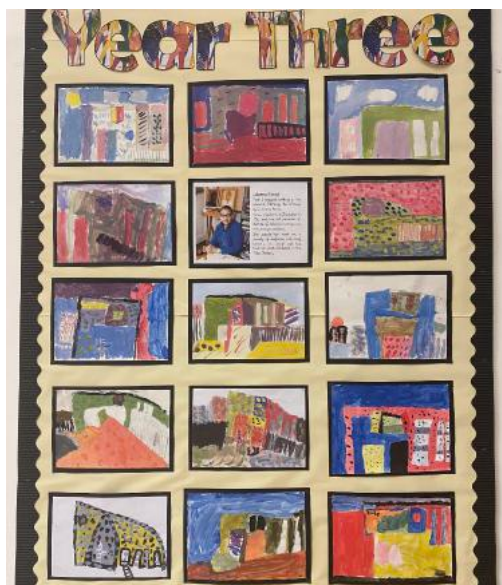
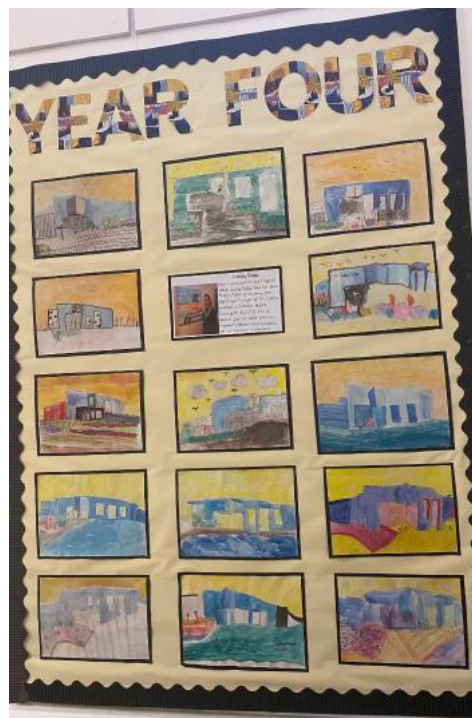
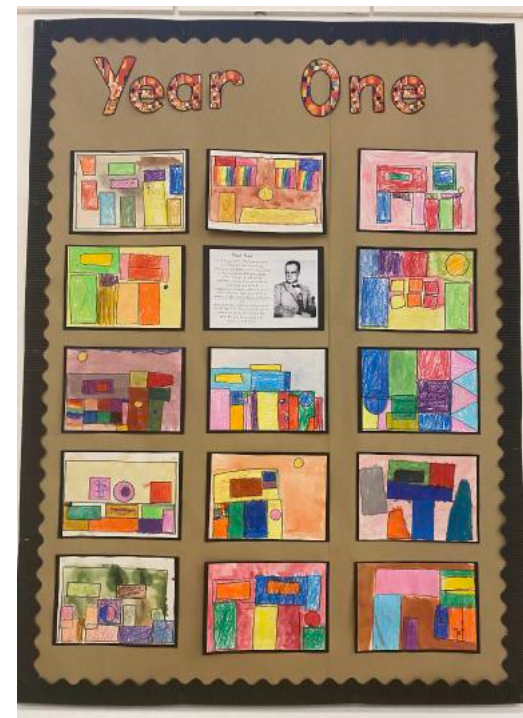
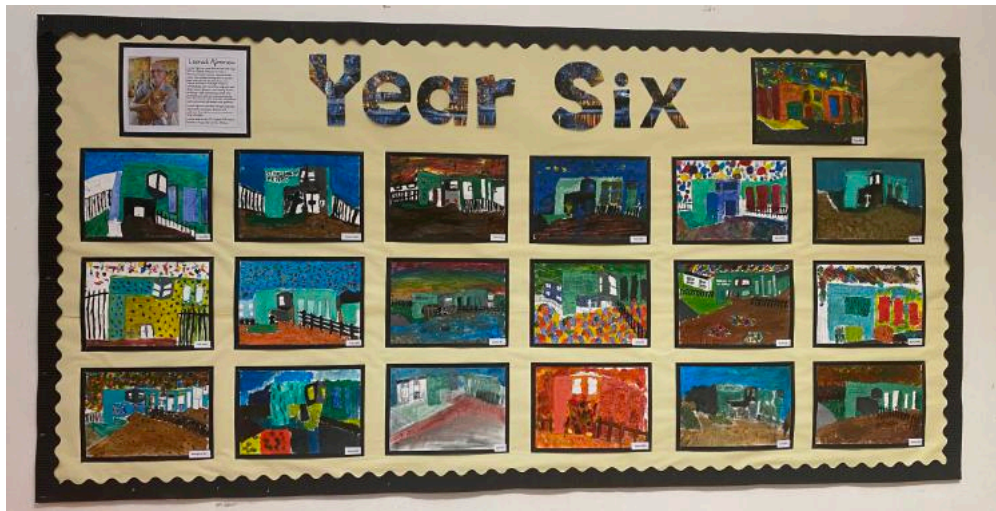
This week, Year 1 went on their first trip of the year. They visited Strawberry Hill House as part of their significant figures in local history topic.

They learnt lots about Horace Walpole and had lots of fun travelling back in time and experiencing what life was like in the 18th century.

The children especially loved dressing up in traditional clothes as they got ready for the ball.



Our School Artwork



More pictures of the children's work can be seen on [our website](http://www.smsponline.co.uk).



Achievers

