

# May 2021 Newsletter



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**Dear Parents, Carers and Members of the Community,**

We have been delighted to see how well children have returned from the Easter Break, we have very high levels of attendance and a school community that is focused on learning and enjoying getting back to 'normal' practical and collaborative learning. Remote education suddenly seems a distant memory and children are fully immersed in school life. We continue to operate in line with all the COVID safe procedures that have become a normal part of school life this academic year and we appreciate the part parents play in adhering to these routines in terms of drop off, pick up and communication with staff.

A number of parents have asked about whether we plan to go ahead with Sports Day this year. Until get closer to June 21st we will not be in a position to evaluate the feasibility and safety of inviting parents to a sports day event. However, we intend to provide a sports day for the children and will inform you if it looks possible to invite parents to spectate.

Thank you for the fantastic support you have given to the PTA rainbow raffle. As I walk around school there are numerous rainbow coloured boxes of donations ready to be organised into prize boxes. Tickets will be on sale soon and the PTA will write to you with instructions for the purchase of tickets. The children are very excited as they see these prize boxes grow!

Our PTA work hard to raise funds for our children, we are planning to work closely with the PTA in the coming months to further develop the fantastic grounds we have at school. They will shortly be launching a competition for children to have their say in the development and design of the school pond and an outdoor classroom in a designated area of Bells Wood. Please talk to your child about how they may like these areas to develop (decking around the pond, seating, natural structures etc). Also please contact me if you have a expertise or a business interest that might add value to our project and would like to be part of the development of our outdoor environment.

Finally, welcome to Danielle Simpkin, who joined our office team after Easter and who many of you may have already spoken to. Danielle is looking forward to meeting you in person in the coming months as soon as we are safely able to welcome many more of you back into school.

**Mr Lee**



# Inspiring learning from Year R to 6

Planting Tomatoes in EYFS



Parts of the human body in year 1

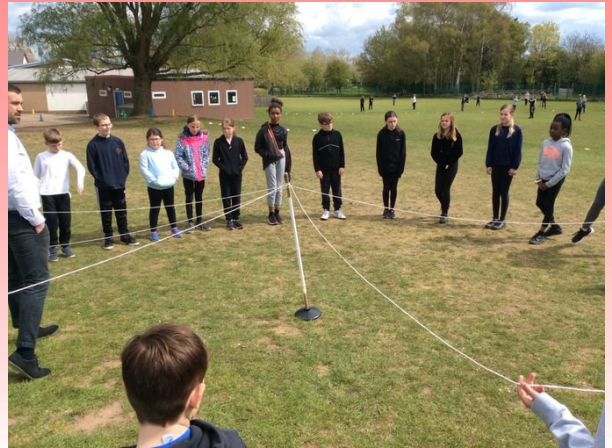


Collaborative play in Year 4  
and collaborative Art in Year 3



The Solar System in Year 5

Pie charts in Year 6



Meercat Mail in Year 2





# Reading Feature...



## Pyjamarama is back for 2021!

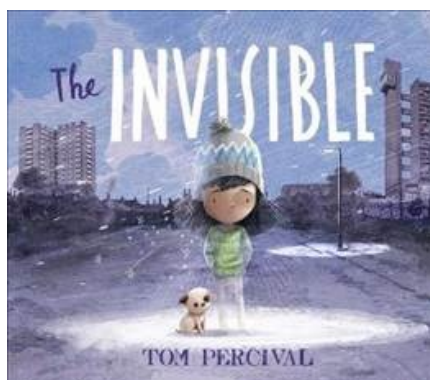
Pyjamarama is all about getting children excited about reading, and fundraising to make sure every child gets their bedtime story. We are planning to enjoy, share and read lots in the comfort of our wear pyjamas (or relaxed lounge wear) on Friday 14th May 2021!



BookTrust ask that children around the country, in schools and nurseries, and at home, spend a day reading, enjoying and sharing stories, all in the comfort of their pyjamas, and donate £1 to Book Trust to help all children have access to stories and to reading.

Reminder: Further to previous message we ask that children **do not** bring teddies into school on Friday.

### May Book Recommendations



#### **The Invisible**

5+ years, by Tom Percival

#### **The Magicians Map**

9– 11years, by Book by Kelly Ngai and Mikki Lish



### Library update

Libraries opened on April 12th—check out Syston Library opening times on <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/find-a-library/syston-library>

The library is still offering a click and collect service

