

# BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Worship this week

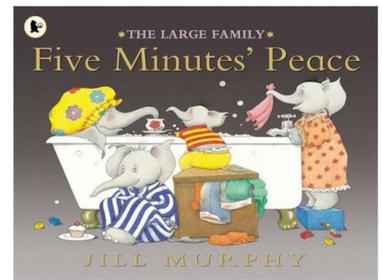


On Monday the children thought about a different quote: “Life isn’t about waiting for the storm to pass, it’s about learning to dance in the rain.” They thought about what it meant. They also celebrated the Secrets of Success in action.



On Tuesday the children thought about the story of Joseph and how he was able to interpret dreams. He first discovered his talent at 17, but it wasn’t until he was 30 that he was needed to interpret Pharaoh’s dream which enabled him to fully shine. We thought about how we sometimes have to be patient and wait for our time to shine.

**Click on the pictures to hear the stories for yourselves..**



On Wednesday, Reverend Jonathan talked about how we need peace in our heart to shine. He shared the story ‘5 minutes peace’ and the children thought about how peace can help them in so many ways to shine.



On Thursday we shared Picture News together and thought about ‘Should we prepare for an emergency?’. Thinking about different emergencies made the children feel anxious, and learning about how to prepare for them helped them to feel more relaxed. We looked at the ways different countries around the world prepare for emergencies.



### Rule of Law

Many rules and laws exist to guide us on how to behave and respond in emergency situations. We are all responsible for upholding these rules and laws to keep everyone safe.

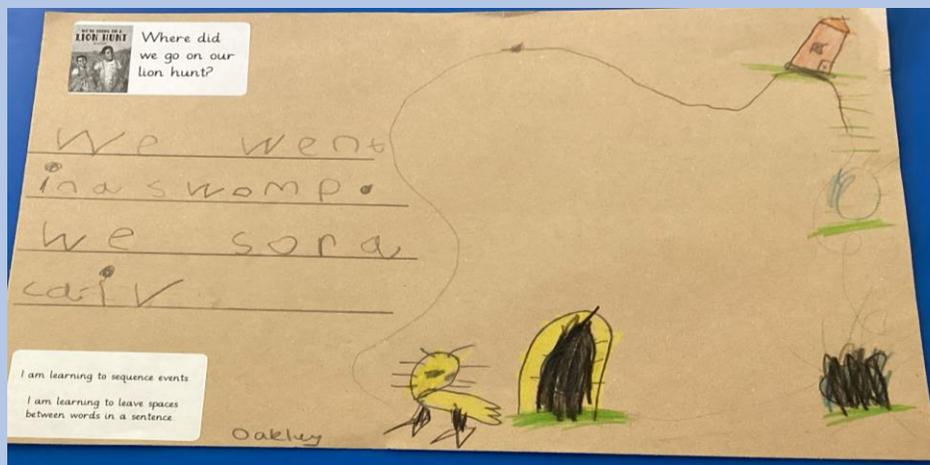


# Authors in the making...

This week in Reception they have been reading the story '[We're going on a lion hunt](#)'. They discovered that it had a very familiar structure as it was similar to '[We're going on a bear hunt](#)'.

The children were inspired to become authors themselves and wrote their own ideas about going on a lion hunt. They drew a story map and then used their ideas to write some sentences for their own story.

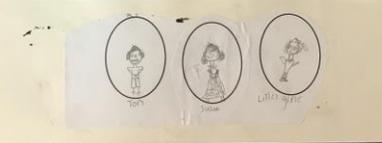
They listened so carefully to the sounds in the words and discovered that they had a talent for writing. They worked so hard and their teachers were so proud of them.



# Working together on a masterpiece

Year 2 have been on a visit to Compton Verney this week. They explored the art galleries to collect inspiration for their own collaborative piece of artwork. Members of the public shared how fabulous the children were in their focus and concentration, art skills, and behaviour – we are exceptionally proud of them! The children shared that they liked being able to share their ideas with others, and use a large range of media to create their masterpieces. They are certainly artists in the making...







# Life in a Roman Villa

[See more photos by clicking on this link...](#)

Year 3 visited Chedworth Roman Villa this week and were treated to their very own guided tour. The tour guide was so impressed with their knowledge and how interested they were to find out more – asking so many fabulous questions. They spotted Roman snails that have been breeding at Chedworth since the Romans brought them over and were amazed by the mosaic flooring which had close to 6 million tesserae. They were able to design and make their own mosaic tile and thought very carefully about their design. After lunch they took lots of photos of the site to use back in the classroom. They behaved so well and were great ambassadors for the school. Well done, Year 3.





# Poetry to be proud of

Year 4 have been writing poems in the style of 'The River' by Valerie Bloom. They chose the vocabulary they used very carefully and included metaphors and rhyme to match the style of the original poem. Their poems were about a storm, the sea or a volcano. This is the original poem:

The River's a wanderer,  
A nomad, a tramp,  
He doesn't choose one place  
To set up his camp.

The River's a winder,  
Through valley and hill  
He twists and he turns,  
He just cannot be still.

The River's a hoarder,  
And he buries down deep  
Those little treasures  
That he wants to keep.

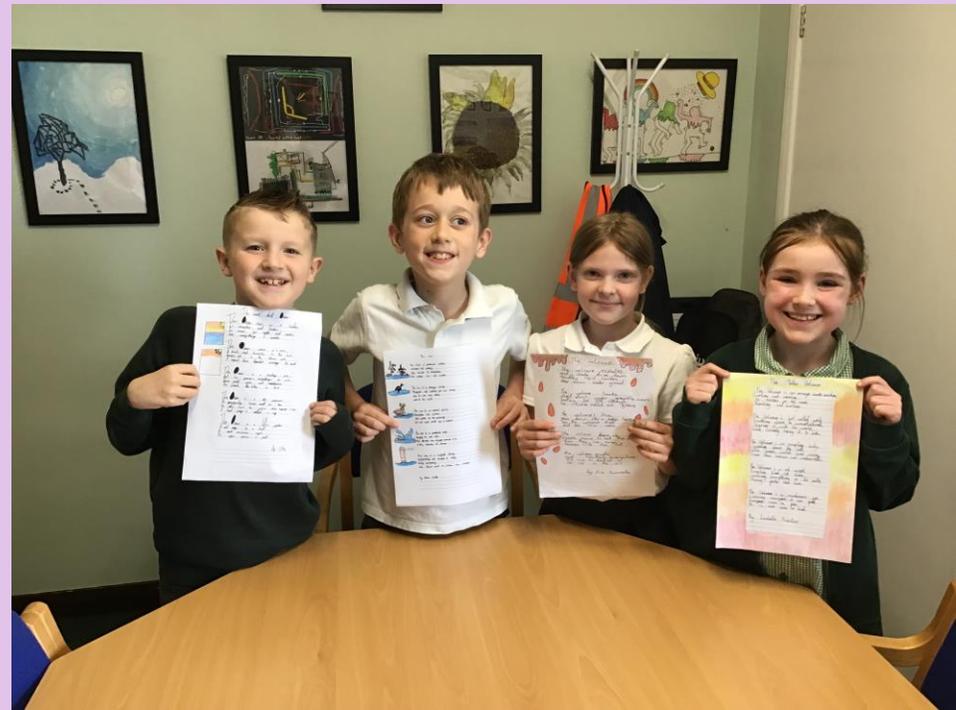
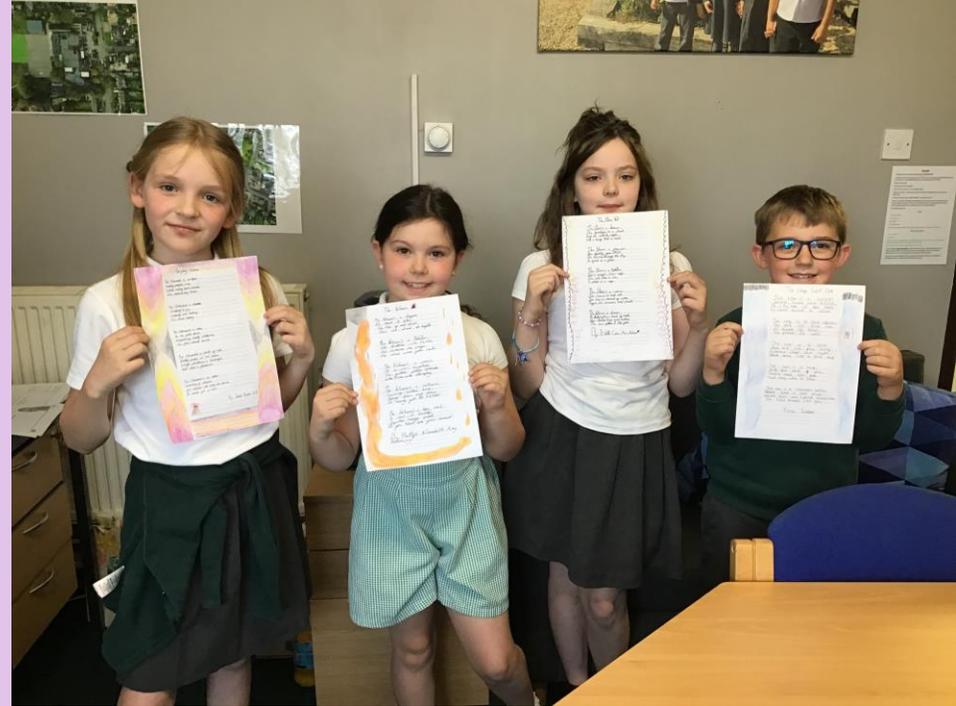
The River's a baby,  
He gurgles and hums,  
And sounds like he's happily  
Sucking his thumbs.

The River's a singer,  
As he dances along,  
The countryside echoes  
The notes of his song.

The River's a monster  
Hungry and vexed,  
He's gobbled up trees  
And he'll swallow you next.

by Valerie Bloom.

You can read some of the children's poems on the next page...



## The fiery Volcano

The Volcano is a sniper,  
Snatching peoples lives,  
While tearing down houses,  
She devastatingly thrives.

The Volcano is a blanket,  
Shedding in just,  
Smoking and smoking,  
It's clouds deploy.

The Volcano is a roller,  
As she falls down,  
Meandering deadly substances,  
She flows around towns.

The Volcano is a cloud of ash,  
Killing people at her leisure,  
Though sometimes a destroyer,  
But also a pleasure.

The Volcano is an actor  
Showing of colours,  
She erupts into song and dance,  
In search for a lover.



By Jessie Bevan Yr 4

## The Storm ☁️

The Storm is a dancer,  
She gracefully on a cloud,  
And she ends the night,  
With a bang that is loud.

The Storm is a race car,  
She quickly goes BASH,  
She hurries through the sky,  
As quick as a flash.

The Storm is a toddler,  
She's angry, she's rage,  
She acts like a lion,  
Locked in a cage.

The Storm is a weaver,  
She weaves in and out,  
She has a moment of calm,  
Before she screams and shouts.

The Storm is a shower,  
A destructive cloud of mood,  
She strikes trees and bushes,  
The rain gobbles it like food.

By Laila Cora McAdams

## The scary, dark Ocean



The Ocean roars, as it tumbles  
It smashes, and lashes,  
It moves left right and centre  
Into everything it crashes.



The Ocean waves in and out,  
It lurches and descends in the land,  
Reaches out to the shores port,  
A tropical blue blanket covering the sand.

The Ocean is a travelling pirate,  
And he grabs everything he finds,  
Those gold coins and medicines,  
The pearls he likes to hoard.

The Ocean is a star performer,  
He gracefully turns and he leaps,  
He sings and he floats while singing a song,  
A ball song is called a song.

The Ocean is a UFC fighter,  
A red rag to a bull,  
A soft merciful cage,  
His rage space is full.

By Ollic

## The Sea



The Sea is a passionate dancer,  
Colorful and peaceful,  
She belongs in all of our hearts,  
For sailors she will search.



The Sea is a glugging creature,  
Playful and mischievous,  
She is not very scary,  
When it's the heat.



The Sea is an ocean's pearls,  
Dramatic and special,  
She spots up the goodness,  
For her hard shell of a vessel.



The Sea is a sandcastle builder,  
Playing in and out,  
She builds the things around her,  
While roasting all about.



The Sea is a magical circus,  
Performing and singing a song,  
Doing absolutely,  
She flows back to where she belongs.

by Evan Heath

## The Deep Dark Sea

The sea is a surfer,  
Strong, smart and brave,  
He is the best of the best,  
He never misses a wave.

The sea is a blue canvas,  
The art of true life,  
All shades of blue,  
The purest of light.

The sea is a show,  
And the fish play along,  
Everyone claps and smiles,  
When they sing a good song.

The sea is a map,  
With the end of gold,  
People want life's goals,  
That they like to hold.

The sea is a monster's world,  
Where time is not true,  
Where evil and cursed things live,  
It kills things like you.

From Tawlor

## The Volcano 🌋

The Volcano is a dragon,  
It roars, it bites,  
She flies up and down,  
She's not afraid of heights.

The Volcano is a toddler,  
She dribbles, she falls,  
She screams, she plays,  
She comes when you call.

The Volcano is a crown,  
Oh no, she's erupting,  
The golden yellow colours,  
Like fireworks erupting.

The Volcano is a suitcase,  
Carrying molten lava,  
Going down and down,  
It nearly got MY FATHER!

The Volcano is a fairy veil,  
To crash, it booted,  
Squirted orange paint,  
If you touch lava your doomed!!

By Plattie Elizabeth Aray  
Stollaway

## The Molten Volcano

The Volcano is an orange smoke machine,  
Curling and swirling,  
He reaches for the moon,  
Reaching and hurtling.

The Volcano is hot melted gold,  
Trickling down the mountain side,  
Shining it with the world,  
While usually keeping it to hide.

The Volcano is an erupting baby,  
Speeding down the hill,  
While people watch him racing,  
From their houses and windowsills.

The Volcano is a red carpet,  
Erupting blood red slugs,  
Covering everything in its path,  
Moving faster than time.

The Volcano is a murderous eye,  
Chasing everyone it can find,  
Everyone runs in fear,  
He is never calm or kind.

By Isabelle Priestner

## The volcano

The volcano explodes  
and slowly drips down  
tumbles and tumbles  
deep down under ground

The volcano seeks  
deep down under ground he moans  
looking for gold although  
he finds mould and groans

The volcano's lava  
goes down like a baby's tears  
as the volcano drips  
and the lava veers

The volcano blows up  
people come to look then decide not  
then they run away  
because it's too hot

The volcano erupts  
and splatters everywhere  
it's nice to look at  
up up in the air

by Eric Swinnerton



# What actions and key events led to the abolition of slavery?

Year 6 have been focussing on the abolition of the slave trade this week. They collected all of their knowledge together onto a mindmap in groups. There were different kinds of actions that led to the abolition including: religious groups, revolt, economic factors, acts of parliament, actions of abolitionists. The children's pages were full of the information they had learned. Well done, Year 6!





# Awards from home

This week, we have celebrated swimming awards from Noelle and Annabelle. Noelle has achieved Duckling 4 and is confident to jump into the water and travel in the water with floats but without any adults helping her. Annabelle has been awarded a certificate for being able to swim 10m on her back without any floats to help.

Hattie brought her medal to share from Atomic Dance as she took part in the 'Movie Night' performance recently.



## Musical Moment...



This week, we were treated to two musical moments. Isabelle, Lyla and Hattie performed their own composition – a musical soundscape to 'The Jabberwocky' poem. Jessie, Felicity and Diana performed 10 little Indians. We all enjoyed the performances! Well done, girls.

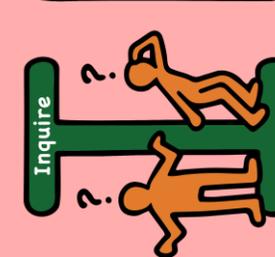
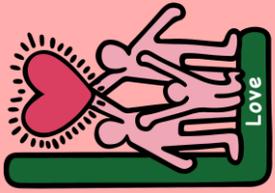


# Spring Music Celebration



We are very excited to be holding our Summer Music Celebration on Thursday evening (27<sup>th</sup> June) at 5:30pm. The children in Year 1 and 3 have been learning music in class with visiting teachers from Warwickshire Music for this half of the year. To celebrate the amazing achievements they have made in learning rhythm and chords – including creating their own compositions – we have organised a music concert for parents and families to attend. There will also be some performances by children who have individual/group lessons on keyboard, flute, recorder, guitar and brass.





# IDEALS time:

The children have continued to live out the IDEALS in school and there have been lots of raffle tickets awarded again this week. We are proud of all of them.

This week the KS2 raffle ticket winners chose to explore the Labyrinth game while KS1 winners chose to play Uno. They all enjoyed tucking into the strawberries, raspberries, blueberries and grapes, along with a glass of fizzy water. It was great to see the different strategies they used to play the games.



## Raffle Ticket Results...



# Staffing for next academic year:

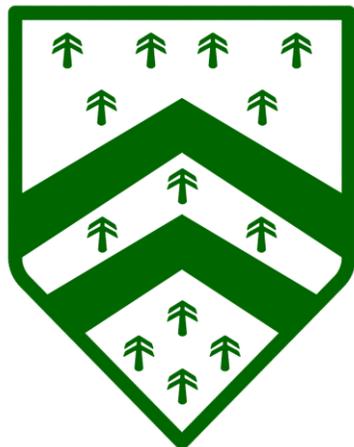
This year we will be saying a sad goodbye to Mrs Cadman, who has moved house and will no longer be able to make the long commute to school. She has been part of the BT family for three years and we will certainly miss her next year. We wish her all the very best in her new home. Mrs Hammond has been working at BT this year as a TA in Year 5 and will be sadly leaving us too. We will also be saying a sad goodbye to Mrs Oyamburu, who is leaving to spend more time with her family. She has been part of the BT family for 16 years and is one of the adults who appears on many children's network hands. She will be greatly missed, but will be popping back to help when she can.

We are excited to be welcoming Mrs Sibly to the BT family this year as a teacher in Year 5.

On **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** our Year 6 children will be visiting their new secondary schools. We will use this day for the children to meet their new teacher/s for the next academic year.

Parents will be invited to come along to meet their children's new teachers and find out more about the what the children will be learning about in their new year group on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 after school – save the date!

The teachers for next year will be:



Reception – Mrs Brain

Year 1FP (RB) – Mrs French and Mrs Power

Year 1P (RP) – Mrs Potter

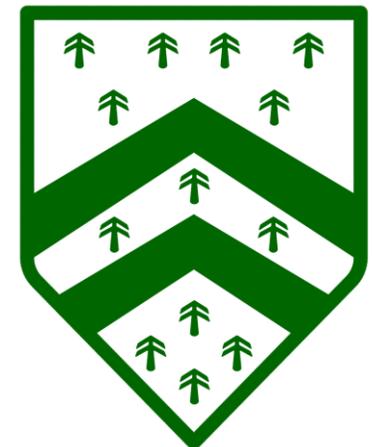
Year 2 – Mrs Dixon and Mrs Wilson

Year 3 – Miss Gregory

Year 4 – Mrs Rhodes

Year 5 – Mrs Sibly and Mr Bench

Year 6 – Mrs Boak and Mrs Pepin



## Dates for your diary:

- w/c 24<sup>th</sup> June is Week B

- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June – Reception, Year 4 and Year 5 VR Day
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June – Reception meeting for new starters September 2024 (6pm)
- Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June – Tennis Festival for Year 3
- Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> June – Music Celebration for all children in Year 1 and 3 as well as soloists – 5:30pm in the school hall. **(Due to Alcester Grammar Open Evening – Year 5 will now perform on 9<sup>th</sup> July at 2:40pm)**
- w/c 1<sup>st</sup> July – Year 5 swimming catch up daily (2 weeks)
- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 5/6 performance to parents – 6pm
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup> July – iRock performance for parents and school
- **Tues 9<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 brass and soloists concert for parents 2:40pm in the school hall.**
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July – Transition Day (Year 6 to new secondary schools, all other children meet their teachers for next year).
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup> July – Year 1 trip to St John's Victorian School House
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 leavers assembly 2:30pm

# Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking for a lunchtime supervisor from September 2024 to join our school team. The role will involve ensuring the children are safe in either the hall or outside on the playground over lunchtime.

The job will be from 12-1:15pm Mon-Fri. There is the possibility of a job share if required.

If you would like more information, please contact the school office at [admin3141@welearn365.com](mailto:admin3141@welearn365.com) or call school on 01926 426020.

The closing date for applications will be Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July, with interviews w/c 15<sup>th</sup> July.

Bishop's Tachbrook CE Primary School is committed to the safeguarding of all pupils and an enhanced DBS will be necessary prior to employment.

# Part-time Admin Assistant Vacancy

We are looking for a new member of our office team to provide an essential role in the smooth running of our school day to day and to continue to build and foster positive relationships with families. The job will be for 2 days (preferably Monday and Tuesday), Term-Time only, 9-4pm (30 mins lunch break).

[For more information and to access the application forms please follow this link.](#)

You can also [access the application forms on the school website.](#)

Come and chat to us if you would like to know more.

Completed application forms to be sent to [admin3141@welearn365.com](mailto:admin3141@welearn365.com) by the closing date of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.

# Coffee and...

These sessions run in the lodge from 8:45 – 9:30, and will often involve information to take away. If you can't stay, but would like to know more about any of these areas, please pop in to collect some information. There is no expectation for you to stop for the whole session; and if you just fancy a cup of coffee or tea, please pop in too! Remaining sessions:

~~Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June – Coffee and calculation methods CANCELLED – we will reschedule for Autumn Term.~~

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Coffee and Manor Adventure Q&A (Year 5 parents)



# Communication at BT:

As a school we communicate with parents in lots of different ways so that families know what is happening in school and can support with their child's learning journey from home. Here are the different ways we currently communicate with families:

Text messages/Calls home

Marvellous Me

Termly Learning Celebrations

Weekly Newsletter

Website

Annual written report

Letters home

Coffee and...

Google Forms

Meet the Teacher sessions

Emails

Open door at the end of the school day

Studybugs

If there are any other channels of communication you feel we could utilise, or reach families through using, or would like to share any thoughts [please share your ideas on this google form](#). We actively seek to communicate as effectively as we can with the school community.



# Messages from the PTA:



**Food:**  
Chilli and naan £4  
Veggie Curry and naan £4  
Crisps £1

**Drinks:**  
Beer £2.50  
Prosecco £2.50  
Gin & mixer £2.50  
Soft drinks £1

Food, drinks, a little bit of friendly competition and you've got your perfect Friday Night!

Make sure you return your forms ASAP to guarantee your table. Prize for the winning team....

July 5<sup>th</sup> in the school hall.

[You can keep up to date with the PTA news and events on our Facebook page.](#)

"We already have enough PTA volunteers" -said no one ever.



## ICE LOLLY SHOP

This Friday the PTA will be selling ice lollies after school for £1 each.

WELCOME SUMMER ☀️



# Stars of the week:

RB – Oakley

RP – Joshua

Year 1 – Finlay

Year 2 – Molly

Year 3 – Abi

Year 4 – Ethan

Year 5 – Eliza

Year 6 – Ellie



Head Teacher's star – James for his genuine curiosity and fabulous questions showing Inquire and Shine on the Year 3 trip. Well done, James!





# Marvellous Mathematicians

RB – Hunter

RP – Caspian

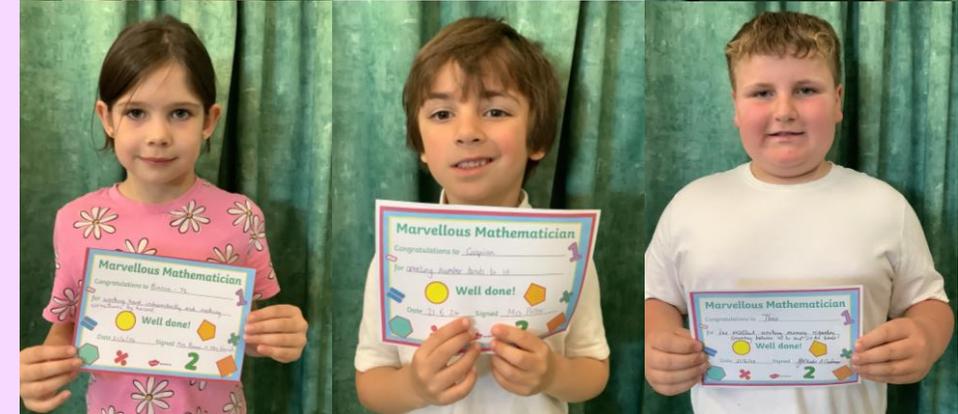
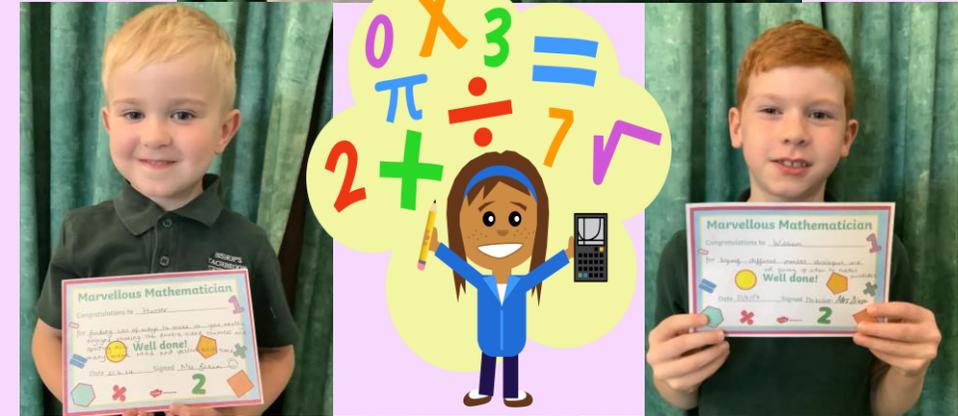
Year 1 – Bianca

Year 2 – William

Year 3 – Beth

Year 4 – Theo

Year 5 – Jacob



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Abi, Evie, Evan and Felicity.  
Well done, children!