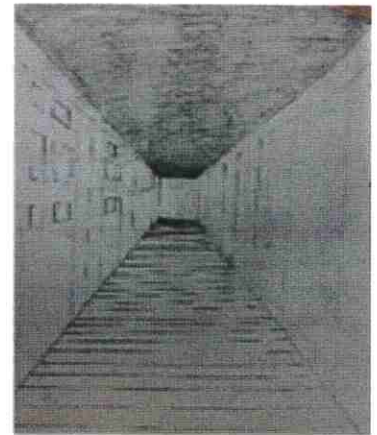
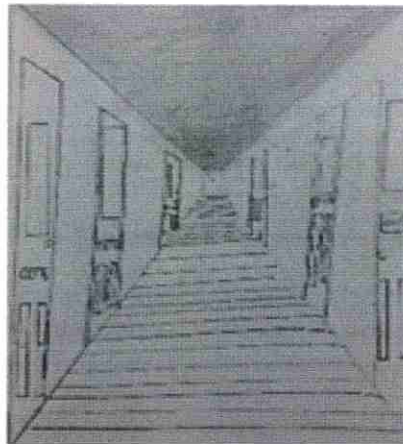


## Newsletter March 2020

Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic Victorian Day at the end of Term 3. Many of the children dressed up for the occasion and they all participated in many different activities. To begin with, the boys and girls were taught separately with the boys being taught technical drawing. Ms E taught them how to draw using one-point perspective and they produced amazing drawings of a corridor from Bethlem Hospital. The girls were taught sewing skills and made samplers including their names or initials – they made some lovely pieces! The children went to the hall to play parlour games: marbles, charades and Happy Families. It was interesting to see how Victorian children spent their free time. We learnt about the Victorian interest in Science and how they combined this with their artistic skills by producing detailed watercolour pictures of plants and animals. We had a go at producing some of our own and were very proud of the results. The children also made scones throughout the morning which they enjoyed in the afternoon with butter and jam – a proper afternoon tea to make Queen Victoria proud!



## Bookworm Badges

Good news and bad news! The children at Shinewater have been doing so much fantastic reading at home that we have currently run out of Bronze Bookworm Badges! Unfortunately, the company we order them from is experiencing a problem in manufacturing them at present and so, our next order has been delayed. We hope to have Bronze Bookworm Badges back very soon and any children owed them will receive them as soon as they are here. In the meantime, please do keep encouraging lots of reading – we have a wonderful selection of reward books to be earned!



## Dates

We are holding our annual Shinewater Book Fair from Friday 15th March to Wednesday 20th March in the Small Hall/ The library. We really value your support, as the School gains 60% commission on books sold. In previous years we have raised a lot of money for books for the class libraries and we would love to do the same this year. Can we manage it?

The fair will be open:

Friday 13th March..... 3.00-3.30

Monday 16th March .....8.30-8.45 and 3.00-3.30

Tuesday 19th March .....8.30-8.45 and 3.00-3.30

Wednesday 18th March .....8.30-8.45 and 3.00-3.30



Access will be via The Main School Entrance. Don't forget to bring your World Book day token to get a £1off any book!. Cash only please.

## World Book Day

Shinewater school joined in with the nationwide campaign to help change children's lives, by making story-sharing a habit of a lifetime and creating readers for life. The school was filled to the brim with characters from every sort of book during World Book Day .

Reading for pleasure is in decline nationally, so we want to boost it back up, raise awareness and spark millions of imaginations . . . Go on the World book Day website for loads of ideas to help with reading at home and READ! READ! READ!



## Year 1 Toy Museum Visit

Year One enjoyed their trip to The Brighton Toy and Model Museum last week. It started with a fun bus journey, the children were so excited because their bus was rumoured to be the cousin of The Naughty Bus!! Then once at the museum there was an educational workshop for the children, teaching them all about how older toys work and the types of materials they are made from. They were able to play with a variety of different toys to learn about how they move. There was a treasure hunt around the museum and in the afternoon there was the most amazing puppet show performance specially for us. The museum complimented the children on their excellent behaviour, making us all extremely proud! It was such a wonderful day.



## Romans in Year 4



This term, Year 4 had a wonderful time exploring the ancient Romans during a Roman Day. They had a fantastic time researching Roman pottery and they designed and made their own fine pottery ware. They explored the Roman army and even acted out the Roman formations. At the end of the day, children enjoyed a feast of honey cake, which they had prepared earlier. A great day was had by all.

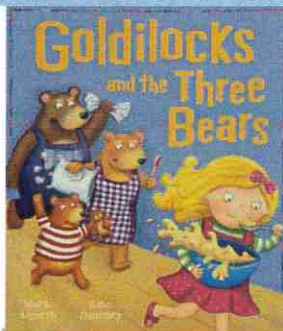
## EYFS Read and Feed

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for breakfast. The children really enjoyed performing to you and we felt they did a fantastic job.

Last week the children dressed up for World Book Day. They looked lovely in their costumes and we enjoyed sharing the books they had bought in. Getting comfortable for a story is one of the things they love to do.



## Year 2 Twisted Tales



This term in Year 2 our Learning Adventure is called, 'Twisted Tales'. We have really enjoyed listening to a wide range of traditional tales and even had a go at being authors of our own alternative version of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. To mark the start of our Learning Adventure, we used clay to design and make a bowl for Baby Bear. We had lots of fun using different tools to form different shapes and make different marks in the clay. We will be finishing our bowls by painting them.

## Nursery



This term we are super busy learning in Nursery. The theme for this term is 'People who help us'. We will be looking at postal workers, police officers, doctors, nurses and fire fighters and exploring what they do in our community. We will also be thinking about Lent and Easter. We are especially looking forward to our visit from the Firemen and their truck!



## Parking Again!



Please do not park on the double yellow lines outside the our school when dropping off your child. Other children and families are being put at risk. Everybody has the right to report careless drivers to the police on the Operation Crackdown website should you wish to do so.

<http://www.operationcrackdown.org/>

## Attendance

### Coronavirus

Please see latest update on the current situation issued on Tuesday 10/03/2020 via Marvellous Me — If you haven't got a Marvellous Me log in please contact the school office. Any future updates will be via Marvellous Me.

### Current Attendance

Year to date 94%

If your child is unable to attend school due to sickness or any other reason please can you either:

1. Contact the School Office on 01323 762129 to discuss
2. Phone the absence line on 01323 762129 which is open 24hrs a day.
3. Email [Cliff.hubbard@Swale.at](mailto:Cliff.hubbard@Swale.at)

Your continued support in ensuing that your child attends school on time every day is appreciated.