



LORENDEN

Newsletter

Friday 9 October 2020



It has been a week of successes

Well done to Imogen, Lucy, Liam and Arthur (Year 6) for entering the Catching Lives Art competition for their 2021 calendar. We are delighted to hear that the artwork from these four pupils will be featured in the calendar and will also feature in the Canterbury Festival Art Trail (from 17th - 31st October) at the Old Cathedral gift shop, Burgate, Canterbury!



Congratulations to Joseph (Year 3) for becoming a very young certified Game Developer by WhiteHartJr and also for winning the Reading eggs, 'Read, Learn and Empower' competition where he had to submit a video of himself!

Thank you to Ben (Year 5) for telling us all about his aim to raise money for the Royal British Legion this November - I hope that you are able to donate through his Just Giving page if you would like to: [here](#)



Year 1 have done some super story writing this week after reading the book 'After the Storm'. Here is a small selection:

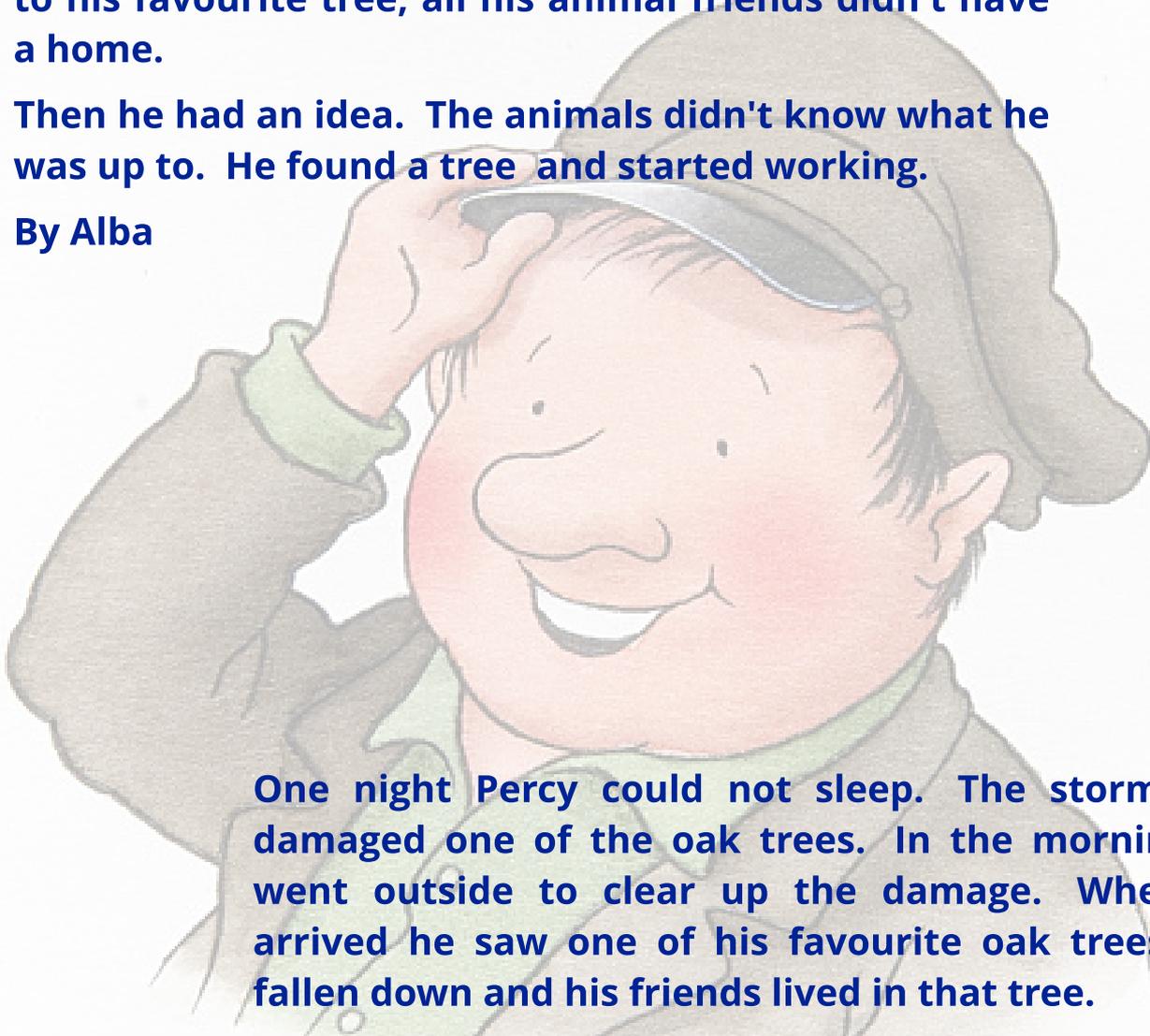
Once upon a book. Percy couldn't sleep. There was a storm. Percy didn't mind the lightning as it lit up the park. In the morning Percy noticed a tree had fallen down. He saw his friends. When they saw him they started chatting immediately. They went for an adventure to find the animals a new home.

By Stella

Percy one night saw a thunderstorm. He liked lightning, he didn't mind rain but there was one thing which he did not like, the wind. In the morning he got up early, got his wheelbarrow and set off. When he got to his favourite tree, all his animal friends didn't have a home.

Then he had an idea. The animals didn't know what he was up to. He found a tree and started working.

By Alba



One night Percy could not sleep. The storm had damaged one of the oak trees. In the morning he went outside to clear up the damage. When he arrived he saw one of his favourite oak trees had fallen down and his friends lived in that tree.

He said to his friends I will help you find a new home and he did. And they found a home and they got to work. The fox hammered, the mice and the rabbits and the badger sawed and they all had a new home.

The animals said come and join us in the tree but he said I can't. He slipped an acorn out of his pocket and he said bye.

By Gaia

The Hurdy Gurdy Man

On Wednesday this week, Year 3 and 4 were treated to a visit from a man with a Hurdy Gurdy! We all went outside and sat on the chairs in the gazebo and heard from Mark, the Hurdy Gurdy man, who told us when the first hurdy gurdy was made and he said it was made in the 10th century. It's a lot of money, it's around £3500 and he has THREE! He also played the guitar and the violin. He told us how the violin and the guitar were related to the hurdy gurdy. The hurdy gurdy used to be a two person instrument but over time it changed and got better and better. He went on to play quite a few tunes, and the sound was amazing. It sounded a little like a set of bagpipes.

Thank you Mr Saul for arranging this visit for us, we really enjoyed it.

Xavier and James, on behalf of year 3 and 4



Nursery

During our week, we enjoy specialist lessons including French, PE, music and Forest School. It allows the children to explore and develop new skills with different teachers in a variety of spaces. This week, we talked about hedgehogs in French and even made trois hérissons together! Mr Waitt let us all loose with balls and we practiced kicking and catching - it was great fun! Our Forest School with Mrs Jordan was rainy and blustery so we were able to talk about the Autumn weather. We also made people out of sticks after reading Julia Donaldson's wonderful story 'Stick Man'. We certainly enjoy very busy and fun-filled weeks in Nursery!



... and after all the fun and adventure, sometimes we just need to sleep!

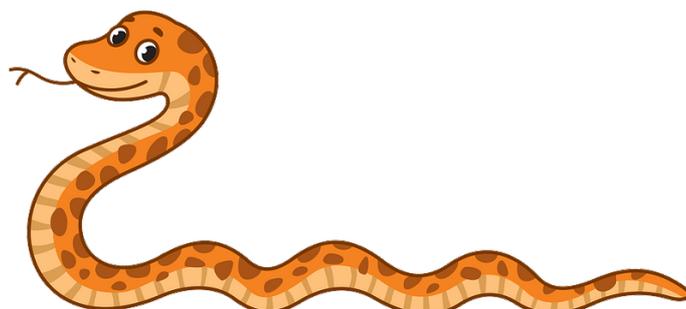


Reception



Having enjoyed Pizza making last week the children made their own play-dough and flavoured the dough with orange and vanilla

Reception children had great fun making this colourful wall of sunflowers, snakes and snails



Year 2 - Art Work

The children concentrated really well as they painted water colour pictures of London landmarks



Isla and Florence also did some wonderful art work in Art Club this week ...



Year 3



Year 3 made masks inspired by Ancient Greek theatre masks

The class did some wonderful written work re-telling the story of King Midas' Golden Touch.



The Sports Page



Well done!

Toby (Year 3) for his Faversham Strike Force Football Club debut Certificate



Friends of Lorenden

The Friends of Lorenden is the school's charity organisation. We aim to enhance the children's experience and provide a warm welcome to all. Our ethos is **inclusive**, **democratic** and **sociable**. We actively encourage participation, new ideas and contributions from anyone associated with the school.

Our usual activities range from raising funds for projects to running weekly cake sales and organising social events (like Summer and Christmas Fairs). We also facilitate second hand school uniform sales.

In the current circumstances we need to find new and innovative ways to raise funds for the school while fully observing social distancing rules.

We completely rely on the support of parents- you can volunteer to do as much or as little as you like. Your ideas and help are greatly appreciated.

If you wish to become involved, please contact your class representative either in person or on the class WhatsApp group.

This term's fundraising opportunities include:

- Lorenden tea towels with a portrait of every pupil, teacher and staff
- Christmas cards and other merchandise with your child's artwork
- Opportunity to sign up for [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)-sign up instructions will follow

Thank you and best wishes from the Friends of Lorenden



All the best for a lovely weekend,

Mrs Uttley

Head