

# Cambian Wisbech School Newsletter

# Summer Term 2- July 2020

### Sewing

The children have undertaken a new challenge this half term of sewing. They have practised different stitches from blanket stitch to back stitch. Additionally, some children have learnt how to safely use an iron. They have made a variety of different items, including a washable face mask, small cushion, a fish cushion and pencil case.

All the children took on the task of threading a needle and trying all the different stitches.







### English

This term has seen the Anglia Way students working incredibly hard in English. They have completed their topic of Narrative Writing in which they have learned about narrative conventions, creative language, narrative voice, narrative structure, context and symbolism by studying three short stories. They then successfully created their own short stories, putting into practise the skills they have learned. In addition, we have been working on spelling and grammar and developing our speaking and listening skills by completing different tasks and playing scrabble – a firm favourite which now brings out both the dictionaries and the competitive spirit of everyone! It fills me with so much pride when I reflect on how hard the students have worked and what they have achieved during these unusual times. They should all be very proud of themselves.



### **Tremendous Topic**

This half term, pupils at Sessions House have been learning about 'The Great War' (World War 2). In their Topic lessons children have enhanced their learning by making some amazing crafts. They have made Air Raid Shelter dioramas, missiles, suitcases, gas masks, ration books and sun catchers. We have been very impressed with the time and effort the children have put into these to make them as realistic as possible. In English pupils have researched many different parts of the war and learnt about the features of different styles of writing. This has enabled them to make a radio broadcast, write diaries, letters and news articles, create ration books, plan a VE Day party and create party invitations. We are so proud of how enthusiastic the pupils have been and of the fantastic work that has been produced! Below are just some of the photos:

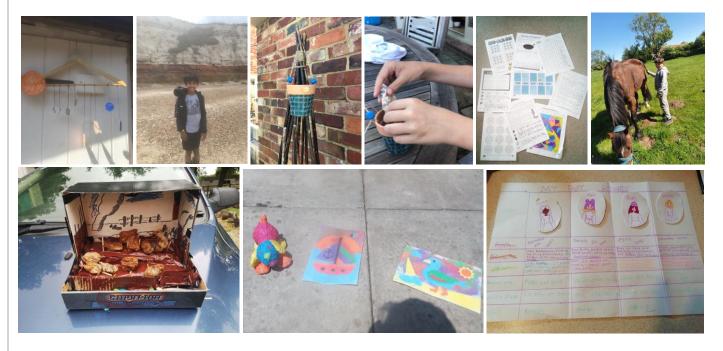






### Home Learning continues!

Our remote tutors have still been busy supporting our young people working at home over this half term. We have continued to have great reports of home learning. Below are a small collection of photos to showcase some of this: TC2 has shared some work he carried out about the solar system, and a photo of him at the beach learning all about coastal erosion (he is at Old Hunstanton). IM shared some photos of a terracotta bird feeder he made. AK has shared a photo of lots of work she has completed! DC shared a DT project of a WW1 trench. FB shared some lovely artwork. Janet has shared that HG and PL have been trying a variety of both online and topic activities related to their daily lives. HG has been busy making a decking and providing a water system for his horses which has tested his measurement and design and technology skills. PL as we know is an inspired artist and is learning about perspective and vanishing points. She also created a character profile for her friends. They have also been enjoying the wonderful art activities from the school. Their reading book has been David Walliams 'Slime'.



### Food Technology

This term in Food Tech we have made a variety of sweet and savoury dishes, including jam biscuits, lemon curd Victoria sandwich, Jam and cornflake tarts, scotch eggs, no yeast bread and pizza. All the students have engaged well and enjoyed the lessons.



# Maths

In Maths the Smarties and the Puffins have been completing work on My Maths, topics have included; adding and subtracting, multiplying and dividing, area and perimeter, volume of cuboids, 2D and 3Dshapes, just to name a few. The Puffins class have enjoyed playing Hit the Button, where they have a minute to answer as many questions as they can. Questions are based on Doubles, Halves and the different multiplications. With some high scoring going on as well. Best scores CD 52 CH 42 and IS 44, these students have even beaten the staff.





# **Book Club**

In Book Club we have been reading the novels Boy in the Tower and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Students have all read aloud, developing their confidence, vocabulary and supporting each other. We have seen fantastic engagement in reading for pleasure, but also developing reading skills such as retrieval, inference and deduction, analysis and summarising. Both students and staff have enjoyed Book Club, which has also been enjoyed by Wilson the dog!



### Construction

This half term CB has done an amazing job in construction and has been busy making planters for peer BW2's garden. He did such a good job he made 3 more.



The finished product:



## **Vibrant Vocabulary**

SC, a 14 year old pupil has been taking part in vocabulary challenges over the past half term. They have been given a list of words which they then have to put into a paragraph or piece of writing. Here is a fantastic poem they have created with the words given:

Impera	ive hysteria	dowdy	audacity						
Cogniti	re raucous	perplexing	disharmonious						
Every word you say sounds like raucous,									
Weeks are going by so fast, yet the days feel monotonous I keep trying to write but all of my words seem lost I'm searching for something but I still don't know what Everything seems so dowdy and unpleasant to the eye The audacity of my mind, makes me wonder if I'm alive Hysteria is making herself at home Disharmonious thoughts just work together so well A fully functioning cognitive is something I could never quite reach Perplexing and opposing thoughts are constantly interrupting and sucking out all emotions like a leech									
					Things that once felt imperative, now feel unnecessary and unreal				
					No matter how much you keep this up				
					And no matter how much you preach				
					I'll never be your person,				
					l'Il never be your peach				

## **Arts and Craft**

This term, Michelle has created plenty of Arts and Crafts resources to keep staff and pupils extremely busy. This varied from terracotta bird feeders, coaster embossing kits, foam clay modelling and pottery painting. All children have been very intrigued and have created new things every day. All items made have been taken home by the pupils and have been placed in their homes.

