

# LIFE IN CLASS 5

## SUMMER TERM

### 2021

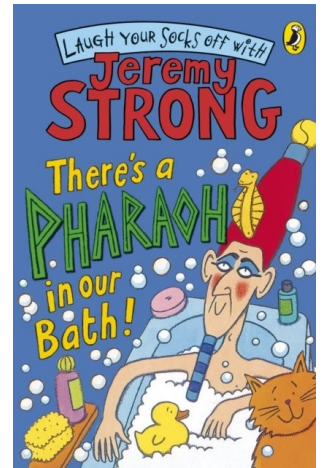


# LITERACY

We have loved Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief as our class reader. The twists and turns and excitement kept us all gripped as we followed Percy's journey to the underworld. This book has inspired some of the class to go on to read the rest of the set and once they were finished have found new titles by the same author. As a class we all agree that Greek mythological books rock!

We also really enjoyed 'There is a Pharaoh in my Bath' which linked in with our Ancient Egyptian topic. This was a light hearted fun book to finish the year with.

We have continued using Jane Considine's 'The Write Stuff' approach to writing and we love it! It has really helped us by breaking down the lessons into three learning chunks and the way we can create lists using encyclopaedias, partner work and then sharing to help build more interesting and creative sentences. The writing rainbow approach has really inspired us to become better writers!



# NUMERACY

We are becoming great mathematicians and have been using our new skills to solve problems. During this term we have looked in depth at shape and space and one of our favourite topics was looking at triangles and the properties of them. We investigated missing angles and had fun solving difficult problems. Graph work and statistics was good and this really showed us the importance of using a ruler correctly! We are able to use information given to answer questions and are becoming really good at choosing the correct scale to create a table. We have also really worked hard on our reasoning skills and Mrs Cartwright is so proud of us all!



### TYPES OF TRIANGLES

**Based on the sides**

- Scalene Triangles**  
No equal sides  
No equal angles
- Isosceles Triangles**  
Two equal sides  
Two equal angles
- Equilateral Triangles**  
Three equal sides  
Three equal angles, always 60°

Three diagrams of triangles. The first is a blue scalene triangle with one red side and one red angle. The second is a yellow isosceles triangle with two green sides and two green angles. The third is a red equilateral triangle with three blue sides and three blue angles. A pink pencil is shown on the right side of the diagrams.

# ART & D.T

We have been looking at fabrics and printing and looked in depth at Coco Chanel a fashion designer. We were able to create mono and relief printing using inspiration from different leaf shapes. From this we moved onto needle work and created a sampler with running, cross and back stitch, then transferring these skills into a class piece of sewing.

We finished the year looking at the sculptor Giacometti. We created drawings in his style, elongating the legs, body and arms. We then used wire to create our shape and clay to then create the body. We finished our masterpieces with a bronzer paint.

Our aprons were fun to design and create using our ICT skills.

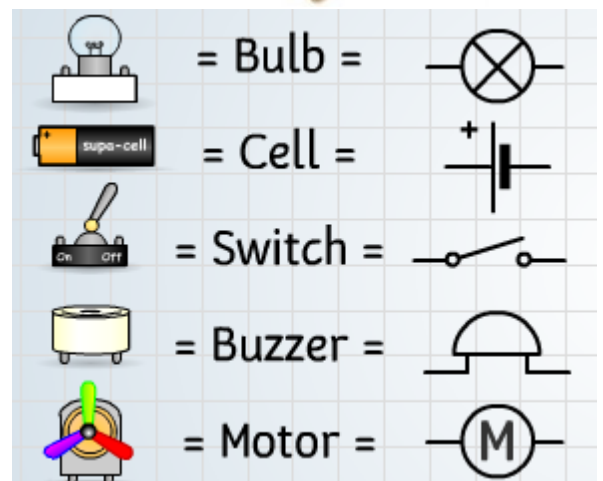
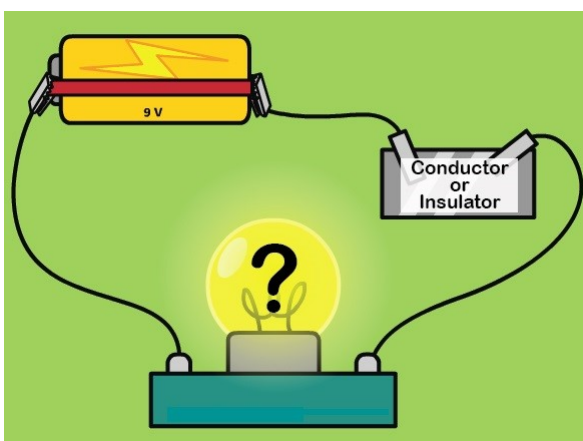
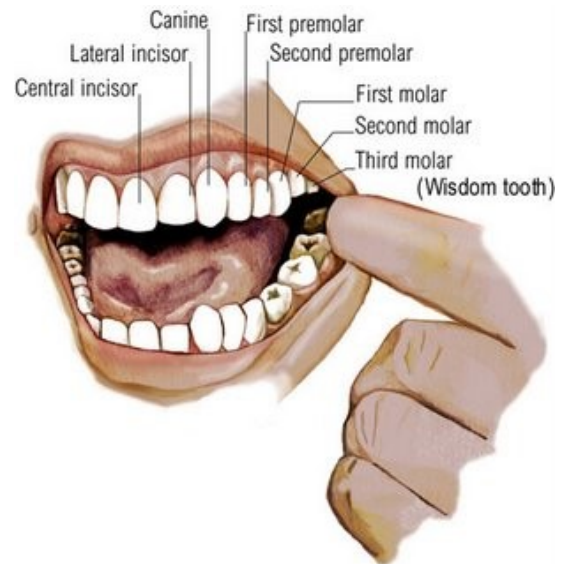
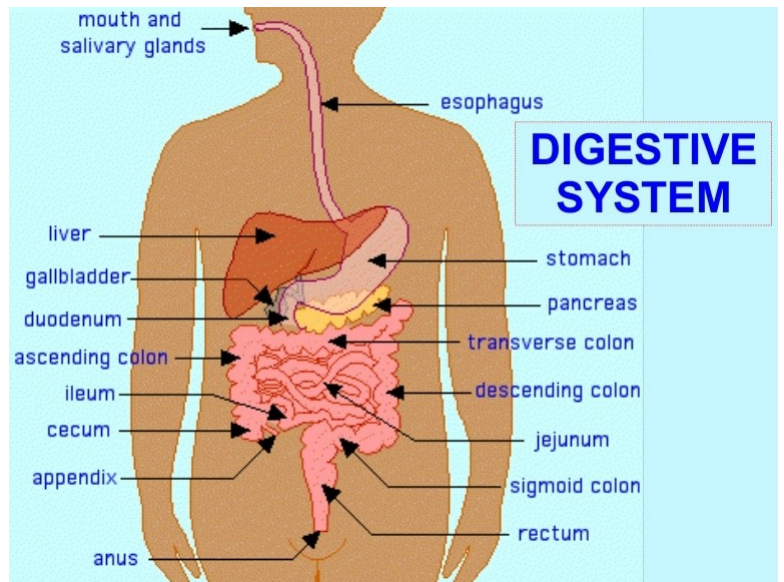
We were very lucky to have Mr and Mrs Morris come into class to help us create our mosaic masterpieces and use our



# SCIENCE

In our Science topic we finished off looking at 'States of Matter' and then moved into 'Circuits and Conductors'. We really enjoyed this topic and using the equipment to investigate. We are able to work sensibly and create a fair test and look at the different variables that we can change to find our answers.

Next we had fun looking at the digestive system and looking more in depth at the names and functions of our different teeth. We were then able to use this knowledge to describe different animal skulls and make predictions on if they were carnivores, omnivores or herbivores. One of our favourite investigations was looking at the damage that different drinks have on our teeth. We were able to set up the investigation and record the findings daily. We were shocked at the results !



*Enjoy Teaching*

## SCIENTIFIC METHOD

Compare.	Control variables.	Use tools.	Replicate.

## DESIGNING A FAIR TEST

# HISTORY

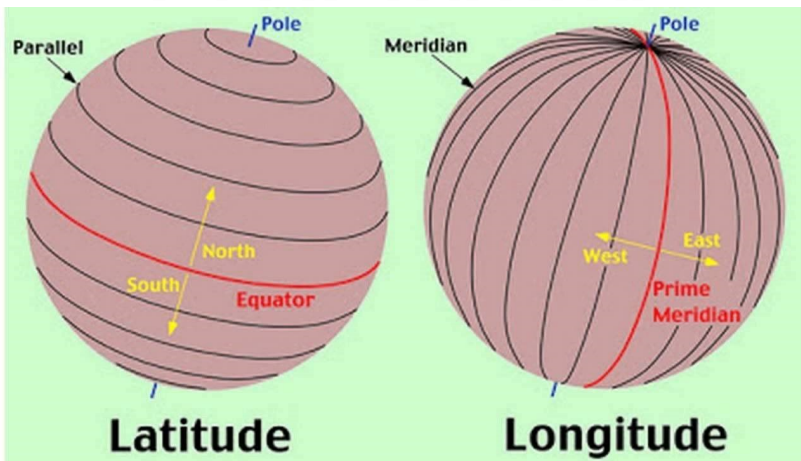
This year has been brilliant with all of the work we have covered in history. Over this term we were challenged to find out all about the Vikings and how they have impacted on our lives in England. It was really interesting to make links between what we had found out in our Kings and Queens topic. We looked at how they invaded and how they chose monastery's to raid as they were easy targets. How they battled and were feared, especially by King Ethelred the Un-ready! We did all agree that we would be terrified by the Berserkers if they came for us. As usual one of the favourite lessons was looking at the Gods and Goddesses and how they were linked to the Greek Gods that were are so desperate to learn about.

As a class we decided that the punishments for crimes committed were extreme and we are glad that nothing like this happens now however, we were able to make links between our justice system and theirs and identify how it had change over time.

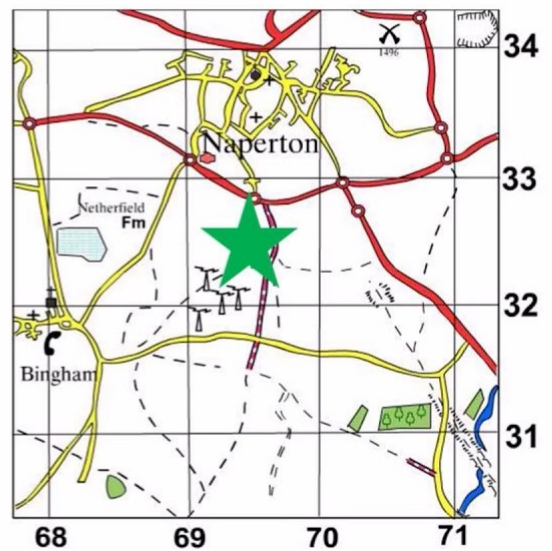
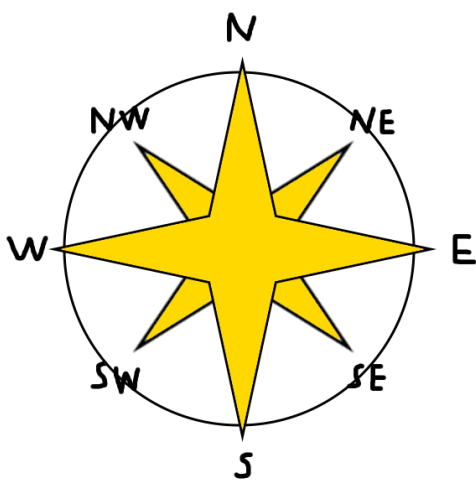
Our final topic this year was Ancient Egypt and this was fascinating looking at what a very clever civilisation it was. How they created their own calendar, writing system and paper! We enjoyed looking at the settlements around the River Nile and how this was used during flooding time for agriculture. They worshipped many different Gods and Goddesses who would support them on the most important part of their journey to the afterlife. We really enjoyed the research topics and using our ICT skills to present our information although some of us found mummification disgusting!



# GEOGRAPHY



Madagascar was the first topic of the summer term and we loved it! We used the island to look at what life was like on the island and the animals that were only found there. We then moved onto looking at its position by using lines of latitude and longitude. We were really good at using an 8 pointed compass and discuss the position of Madagascar in relation to other countries. Within this topic we also looked at 4 figure grid referencing and we were able to answer questions using this and a key!



Our final topic was about the River Nile and looking at the trade links and how the Nile was used. We thought it was really interesting that it flows from south to north and enjoyed looking at the elevation above sea level at the source is and how it flows towards the Mediterranean picking up sediment which creates a delta at the mouth of the river. We also looked at positive and negative effects of human geography when the Aswan High Dam was created and were amazed that it flowed through 10 different countries!



# P.E

We were so lucky to go kayaking and paddle boarding!



We have continued to enjoy our orienteering and have taken turns to set out new courses and work with different people in the class. It was brilliant when we added the super soakers into the session!



The sun was shining on us for Sports day!



We were lucky to finish the year with an Ice cream!

