



# Yealmpton Primary School

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Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Yealmpton family,

I hope this letter finds you well. As I write the newsletter we approach the end of a week with much to celebrate. It was so nice today to see so many of our Yealmpton family join the children in our DEAR Drop Everything And Read Parent Open Morning. Reading is the gateway to knowledge acquisition. We learn to read so we can read to learn. Books are the legacies that a great genius leaves to society, which are delivered down from generation to generation as presents to those who are not yet born. Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counsellors, and the most patient of teachers. 'Children relish the opportunity to be transported into another world through the books they read' (Ofsted inspection feedback, June 2023).



Let's have a look now at what our amazing children have been learning in school this week. In EYFS, our young academics have been reading the Rainbow Fish and the Stickman, then creating their own sharing fish and stickmen from the orchard. In Key stage 1 the children have been mapping out their local area, developing their letter formations, performing drama for their writing sequence and exploring mini beast micro habitats.



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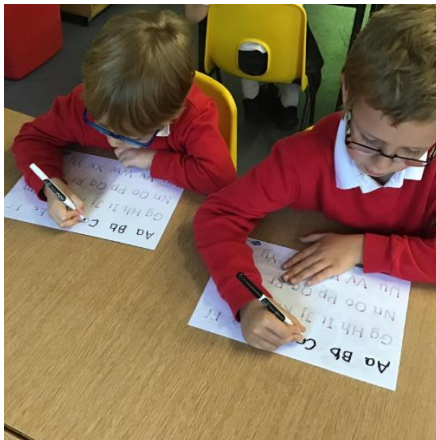
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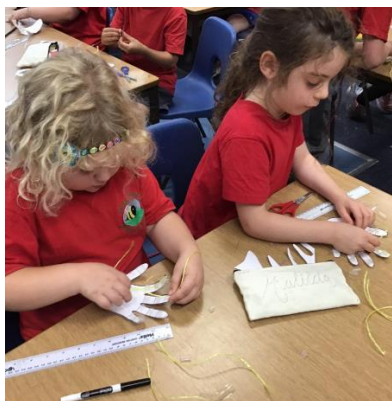
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In Key Stage 2, our role models have been creating robotic hands in Science, building water cycles in Geography and making healthy pizza in Design Technology.



May I extend a huge thankyou to Heather, Shirley and Liz from Brixton Bee Wild Group for donating 10 bird boxes for our orchard. A big thankyou also to the volunteers at Brixton Men's Shed, who cut the wood and put the boxes together for us. We will be putting them up next week and look forward to sharing photos with you!

We are very excited about next Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, when our FYVS team will be holding our 'Apples in the Orchard' event, from 3.30-6.30pm. Come and join the team for – picking and juicing apples, campfire and crafts and fresh apple juice to sample straight from the orchard! Children staying and attending the event must be supervised by an adult. This weekend, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October is tree seed Sunday in the village. Groups will go out foraging and collecting seeds for our school nursery and the community seed nursery, which is located behind Bens Farm Shop. If you are keen to attend, please meet at 11am at the Rose and Crown.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,  
'Be the best you can be' – the BEST version of you!

*R. Pepper*

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