



Newsletter

June

"It's a cruel season that makes you get ready for bed while it's light out."

DEAR FAMILIES,

Welcome to our newsletter.

As we get ever closer to the end of the school year, we again approach what is probably one of the busiest times. Despite this, I do have to say, after two years of disruption, we are very excited for a more normal end of the school year. For example, it was so nice to see so many carers/parents in school for the Y6 Art Gallery and £5 Challenge – further details of that event will appear in our final July Newsletter.

As always, thank you for your continued support in all that we do and along with the staff and children, I look forward to welcoming you to the events that we have planned in the final month of the year of which – it is hard believe another year is nearly over; once again it has gone so quickly!

Just a reminder that the school gates do not open until 8.45am. We have noticed some children being left at the school gate as early as 8.00am, this is far too early. We will have before school provision from 7.30am next year, please consider using this service if you need to drop your child off earlier.

Out in the Sun

The sun's rays are particularly strong between April and September and can damage children's skin.

Try to apply sunscreen, at least SPF 15, to exposed areas including the nose and tops of ears in the morning before attending at school.

Please ensure your child is prepared for the weather (even on dull days as these can turn in to hot days) – water bottles/ hats.

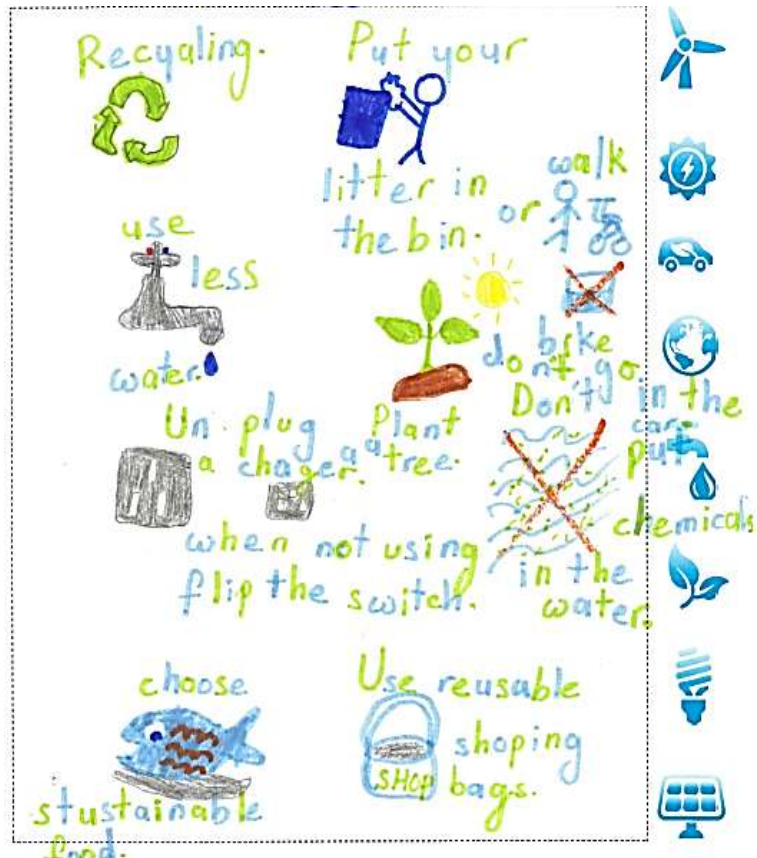


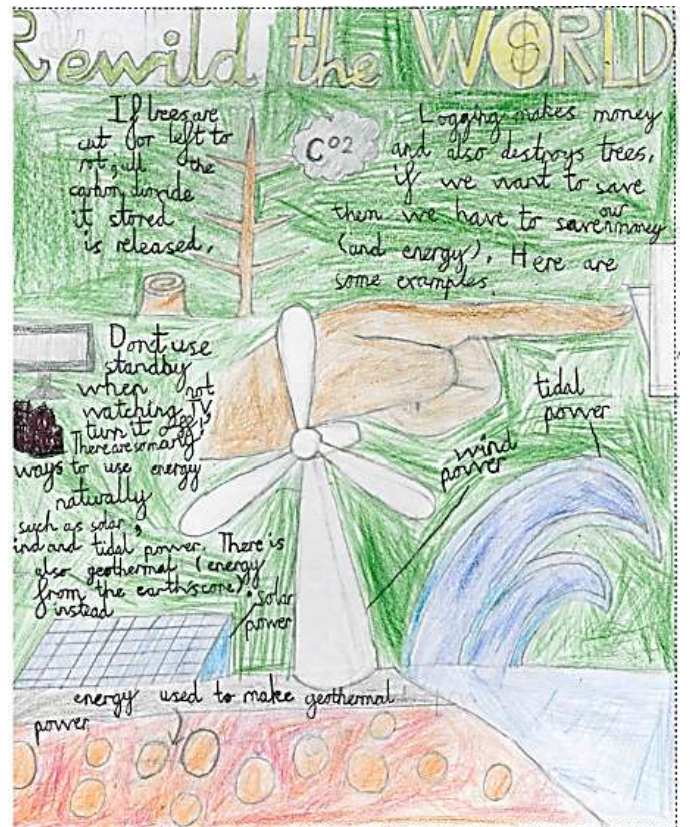
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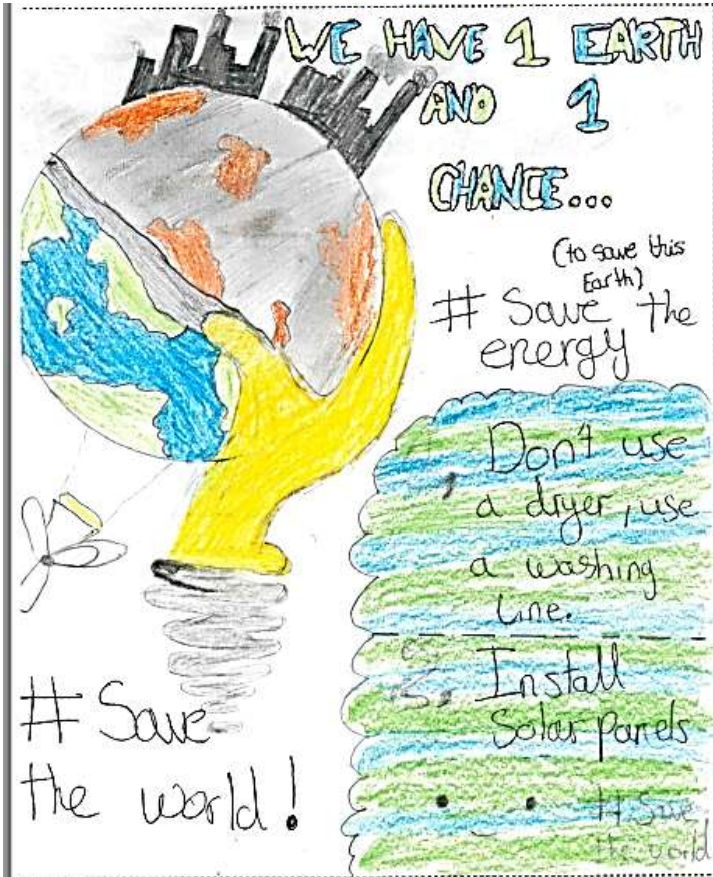
Members of the Junior Leadership Team had the unenviable task of choosing the winners and runners up for each year group.

They looked at the messages the students wrote, their designs and standard of presentation. It wasn't easy, but they did a great job and so did the students. The entries were amazing and we have seen them pop-up around the school over the last few weeks!

Well Done to you all – you should be really proud of your efforts.







The Winners



COVID

We are following the NHS guidance regarding Covid Symptoms in school. If your child has a temperature and sickness, please keep them at home until they are well – three days is recommended. You do not need to carry out a test unless medically advised to do so. The NHS guidance for children is available here: [NHS Link](#)



PARENT/ COMMUNITY

REPRESENTATION NEEDED

Governors work with the senior leaders in the school to help to shape strategic direction and hold the school's leaders and finances to account. We currently have an opportunity for people to join our team - are you interested in directly contributing towards the development of your child's, and community's, education? Contact us!

Y3 Sarehole Mill Trip

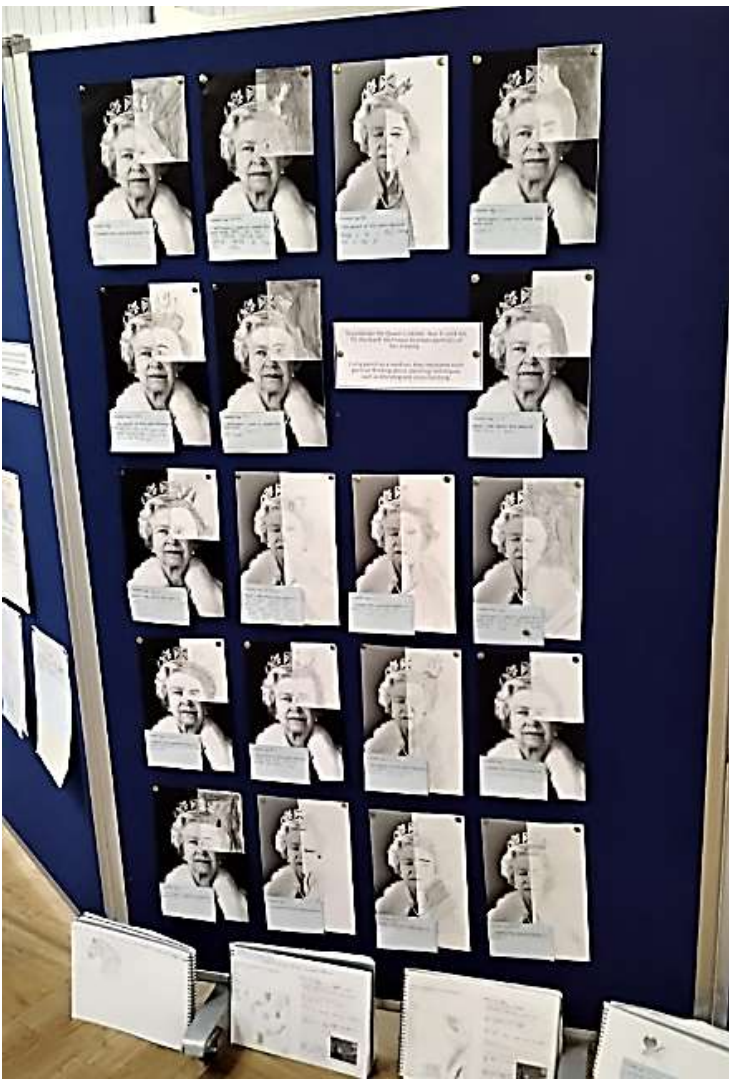
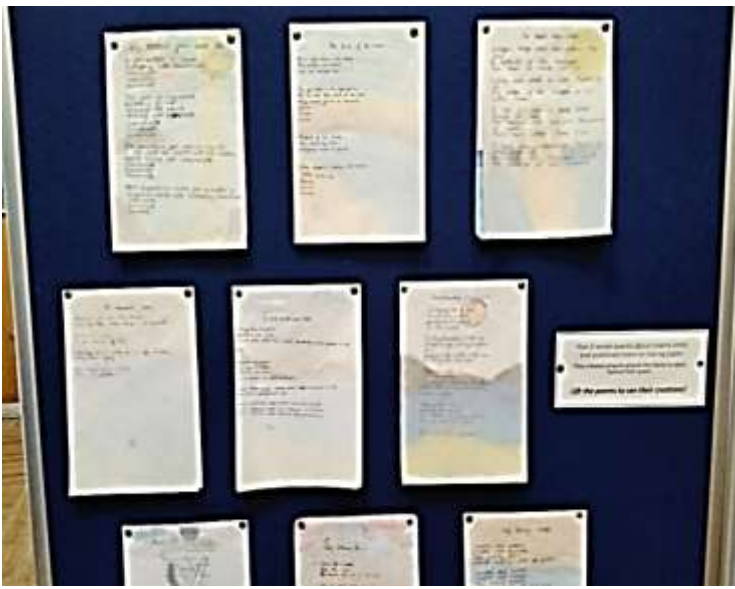
Y3 had a trip to linked to their topic on the Stone Age. They had a great hands experience on life during this period, and had an opportunity to learn outside of the classroom. As expected, the behavior was amazing and was only surpassed by their knowledge of the topic. Well done Y3 and the staff who supported.



Year 6 Art Gallery

Miss Wilkins organised a Y6 Art Gallery event after school. This gave the students the chance to showcase their amazing art skills. We hope to extend this type of event next year so you can all see the breadth of curriculum opportunities on offer at EJS.





Sensory Food Course

Family Learning have developed a sensory food course which they are able to deliver for free to families. This course is unlike other food programmes because it is all about exploration of food which encourages children to try and eat a greater range of food. It has been assessed over time with amazing results.

Family Learning have a 4-week course called Food Explorers and have seen families discovering food in a new way and children eating lots of new foods.

If you would be interested in this course for your families please contact

Family Learning Warwickshire Adult and Community Learning:

janlennon@warwickshire.gov.uk



Bikeability 1

Congratulations to Blake, Tazmin, Aimee, Liam, Riley, Bartosz W, Dexter, Braidon, Kieran, Yashika, Jacob M and Sirat, who all gained their **Bikeability Level 1**

Changes for September

From September 2022, the classes will be organised differently to previous years. This decision has not been made lightly, but is made through discussion with staff and

governors. They have all agreed to the changes as it supports the school in the longer term with the least impact on maintaining the standards of education. From September, we have decided to set the school with three mixed year group classes in Year 3/4, and three mixed aged classes in Year 5/6.

The need to have mixed year classes is determined mainly by cohort sizes and the funding linked to pupil numbers. Class sizes of around 30 children generally provide enough revenue for a teacher to be employed. If a class has fewer children than this, costs to the school exceeds income - this severely impacts on the support we can offer to every child and also on the longer-term financial future of the school.

Staff Changes

We have a couple of members of staff leaving us to move on to new ventures. Miss Shepherd has gained a teaching post in Thailand. Mrs. Bhave, will be making not such a faraway move, she is off to St John's in Kenilworth, and will be meeting up again with Mr. Lee, who is the new head teacher there.

We thank them both for all of their hard work and dedication the children and families at Exhall Junior School, and we wish them well as they move on to their new posts.

Calendar

<https://exhalljunior.org.uk/calendar>

THANK YOU