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The Voice Of The Children From Millfields Community School

Millfields celebrates BHM!



During the Autumn term, we celebrated Black History Month across the school and also held an incredibly successful Diversity Evening with a global food market and songs and dances from across the world. Find out more inside!



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Black History Month

Children had great fun learning about Black communities in Hackney



Two months ago, during October, year 6 went to the HACKNEY MUSEUM as part of Diversity Month.

They learned about the migration of black communities to London, specifically Hackney, including the Windrush generation.

The workshops included fascinating stories from members of Hackney's black community; they also learned about the fashions and hair styles black people came with.

Half of each YR 6 class designed their own trainers using materials and fabrics inspired by the African and Afro-Caribbean cultures based in Hackney. They then presented their ideas to the class. The other group designed their own outfits using African cloth and accessories followed by a fashion show featuring a catwalk. Afterwards, some kids dressed up in clothes from different time period and the rest of the class had to guess which time period the clothes were worn (the costumes were hilarious). They also learned who would have worn the clothes.

Additionally, some of the class also showed what hair dressing was like just after the Windrush generation arrived in Hackney.

By Iolo Ap Sion



The History of the Rubik's Cube

How & when did this incredibly popular puzzle originate?



So, for you all non-cubers out there, I've decided to do a history of the device, exploring it origins, successes and where it all went wrong. This is the History of The Rubik's Cube.

It all starts in 1974: Professor Erno Rubik had patented a design for the "Magic Cube", a device created to help Rubik understand how to solve structural problems of moving the parts independently without the entire mechanism falling apart. Later, in 1975, Rubik patented the Magic Cube, and it became quite commercially effective later that year.

As we skip 5 years, the recently renamed Rubik's Cube (not Rubix cube as is commonly mistaken) turned its modest sales into a big success— the Cube rapidly became a worldwide craze. By that year, the Guinness Book of World Records (a familiar sounding name) held a speedcubing tournament, paving the way for famous speedcubers like Feliks Zemdegs, Max Park, Lucas Etter and Dylan Wang.

However, By 1982, The New York Times reported that the cube was dead. Foolish some might say!

During the 1990s - 2000s, the cube became cool again, with different companies making particularly interesting "speedcubes" like Moyu or Dayan.

In fact, over the last couple of years, a whole new generation has become familiar with this incredible puzzle. There is no doubt that it is one of the most popular toys ever.

Y6 enter the Dragon's Lair!

We present our ideas to City based Dragons as part of Work Week



Last term, we enjoyed Work Week at Millfields. The Year 6 team participated in a Dragon's Den workshop with top city firms including KPMG and Morgan Stanley in the City of London.

We worked in groups to design a new, exciting product that we would then present to a panel of 'Dragons'.

There was a wide variety of inventions: phone cases, completely recyclable, that charged your phone using solar power; a teaching robot dog; self-sorting recycling kitchen bins; devices to relieve stress, an eco friendly range of skin care products; and many more. All the children's groups were competing to win awards for the best investment, the best presentation and the best teamwork.

Overall, everyone had a great experience at KPMG. It really helped us for work experience for the future. Overall it was a really fun trip and the whole week taught us loads of relevant skills that we will be able to use in secondary school and later on in the world of work.

By Logan McCann





Election 2019 - A Satirical Analysis

A tongue in cheek look at last years political wannabees!

On Thursday the 12th of November last year, in case you didn't know/live under a rock/wear big headphones all the time etc etc, it was the UK's 57th General Election. We all know the result (most of London spent the weekend following bawling its eyes out) but here I take a look at the three main contenders that fought for the role of Prime Minister.

Boris Johnson

Ding Ding! In the blue corner we have Boris Johnson (or Bo-jo as he is affectionately known to no one who lives in London) Some people say he's the British Donald Trump. But how? Overall nobody knows, but there has been a lot of speculation on the relationship that Boris and Trump might have in the future; they both seem to enjoy making controversial comments that wind people up. Frankly, I think he is doing a better job at running this pollution filled, rainy corner of the world than Theresa May or Maynot!

Jeremy Corbyn

Due to the alleged Anti-Semetism within the Labour party (according to the trustworthy British Media plus a certain popular British TV gameshow favorite), I have a strong feeling that Eric Cartman would vote for him.

Personally, I think he's okay, and I'm not just saying that - Stormzy also agrees with me. So it must be true! Having said that, he has taken failure on the chin and will step down this Spring.

Jo Swinson

What is there to say - she didn't just lose the contest, she lost her seat! (And her phone, car keys and memory)

So we know now Boris and the conservatives were able to deliver the knock out blow!



By Jonas Campbell

By Iolo Ap Sion

Mary Anning Biography

Who was the palaeontologist that one of our Y6 classes is named after?



From Autumn 2018, Millfields changed the way its classes were named: all classes were named after British people, from different communities, who changed the way we live. Early years were named after children's authors, KS1 focused on artists and KS2 were named after the inventors and scientists.

Mary Anning was an English scientist; she discovered numerous mysterious dinosaur specimens (fossils) that were incredibly important in the development of the field of paleontology.

She was born on May 21,1799, in Lyme Regis, Dorset, England. Lyme Regis is located by the seaside surrounded by rocky cliffs. The damp cliffs were hidden with secrets (known as fossils) that had been there for millions of years. Mary, her brother Joseph and her father discovered fossils .Suprisingly, Mary didn't initially know the mysterious rocks she was collecting were fossils. The Annings were so poor that after her father's death, Mary and Joseph sold their fossils for a living.

Notably, The talented siblings, excavated the one and only...ITCHYOSAURUS SPECI-MEN! In 1823, she found the first complete plesiosaurus, a long-necked marine reptile. Additionally, Anning also found a pteradactyl located in Germany. Unfortunately, she was not given any credit for all those specimens she excavated.

In 2010, the Royal Society included Mary Anning in a list of the top ten most influential British Scientists!

Review: Frozen 2

Just how good is Disney's blockbuster sequel?



Frozen is a hugely successful, much loved movie by many children and adults. Well here's the sequel for you! It was released on 22nd November 2019 and the cinemas were fully booked a week before the movie had even been out!

There were many new characters and crucially, we learnt a lot about the girls past. The much loved song "Let it Go" was replaced by "Show Yourself", where this time the transformation was even better!

There was a lot of expectation on this movie; the original movie , released in 2013, made over 1 billion pounds at the box office! Without doubt, it is one of the most successful films of all time. Did you know that it is the highest grossing cartoon ever? Many people agree that it was MUCH BETTER to watch the movie in cinemas then a home. The famous movie site Rotten Tomatoes commented:

"Frozen 2 is spectacular to look at and the sharp witty characters easily manage to hook the audience. "

As I have been to see the movie myself, I agree with their summary. However, it wasn't as good as the first one - many fans noticed that Anna, didn't get a chance to sing. This was very confusing as Elsa, Olaf AND Kristof, all had chances to show their talent.

To conclude, I highly recommend this movie, especially to fans of cartoons and Disney movies.

Orienteering Success!

Millfields Community Orienteers make stunning start!



During November, a selected group of Year Six's participated in the autumn orienteering competition for Hackney Primary Schools. Overall, there were about a dozen primary schools from across the borough.

For those who don't know, orienteering is a competitive sport which involves runners navigating and travelling speedily across a course or rough terrain using maps and compasses. I am proud to report that our team triumphed! The children that carried our school to victory, led by Izaac, included: Logan, Malaki, Otto, Elliot, Olivier, Sadie, Toby, Jayveer, Olivia, Indira, Henry and Rosa. When interviewed, they all emphasized that this success would not have been achieved without the support of our school.

We hope our success will give us great confidence in years to come and we would once again like to thank everyone involved in orienteering at Millfields.

By Kit Crane

