

Author Visit!

A few weeks ago, Banji Alexander came to our school. He was presenting his new book: Lockdown Looms. It was about a boy's birthday during lockdown. It was an amazing experience for us to visualise. We were allowed to question him and he tried his best to answer us. We were also able to buy the book and he would sign it for us.

By Gurshant

Right of the Term!

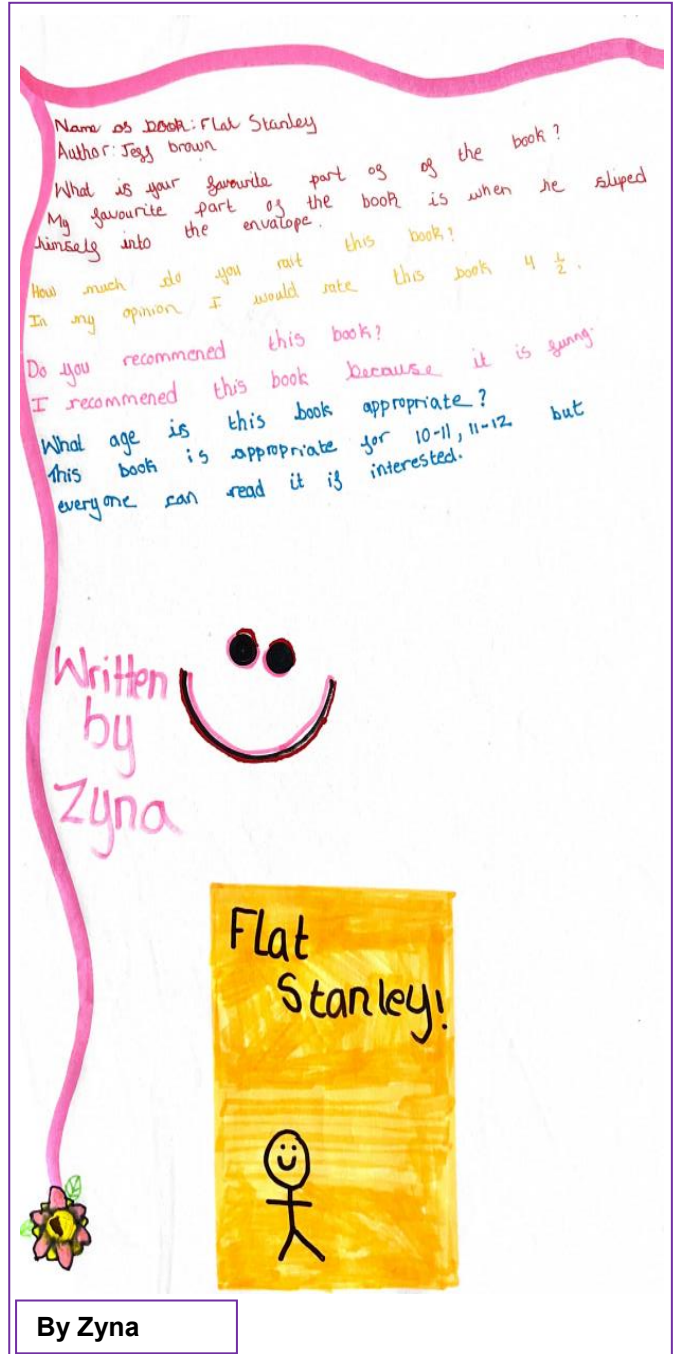
Magenta Class voted for this half term's article!

At CPS, children have a wide range of opportunities to relax, play and take part in different activities. For example, we have many after school clubs (e.g. football, art club) and children - such as our very own Paramvir and Simar - get to go on athletic tournaments!

By Magenta Class

Article 31:

Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.



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Q&A With Miss Khabra



Reported By Sienna in Saffron Class

Wednesday 18th Jan 2023

On Friday 13th January, I had the pleasure of interviewing Miss Khabra for our school newspaper so we can find out some more about our acting deputy head and our school. Recently, Miss Khabra was moved up to be our acting deputy head at Cranford Primary School. Here are the questions and answers I got during our Q&A.

Q: What inspired you to become a teacher?

A: Miss Khabra was inspired by her secondary school history teacher because he made all of the lessons fun and she wanted to do the same for children.

Q: What is your greatest achievement?

A: Miss Khabra told me that her greatest achievement was when she bought her first car.

Q: When you were younger (not doing this job) where did you picture yourself?

A: Miss Khabra said when she was younger she wanted to be a paediatrician but later on in her life she realised that she was scared of blood.

But she just knew she wanted the focus of her career to have something to do with children.

Q: What is the funniest thing you have experienced whilst teaching?

A: Miss Khabra told me that everyday she experiences funny things with the children telling her jokes and doing funny things.

Q: Outside of teaching, what do you enjoy doing/hobbies?

A: Miss Khabra said that outside of teaching she enjoys doing jigsaw puzzles, reading and going to the gym.

Q: Do you have any hidden talents?

A: Miss Khabra's hidden talent is fast typing.

Q: Can you tell me about any recent programs the school has implemented to improve student achievement?

A: The school has started having different types of interventions which can be helpful to those struggling with some subjects.

Q: Are there any plans in the future for expansion at our school?

A: Miss Khabra said not currently.

Q: How do you measure the success of the school's academic progress?

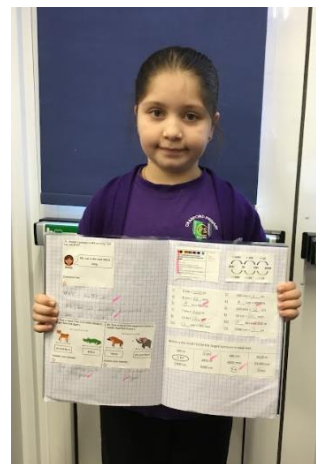
A: We do assessments every half term and our results get sent to Miss Khabra and she puts them on a system so they can see who is improving and who needs some improvement.

Q: Do you have any pets?

A: Miss Khabra told me that she doesn't have any pets, however her sister has a dog and she loves it as her own. The dog's name is Loki.

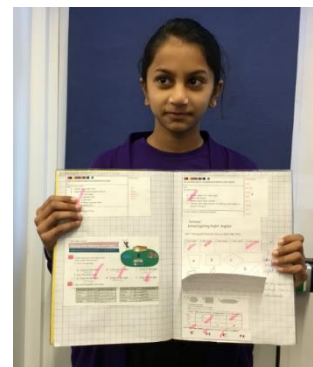
Q: When you had a class what was your favourite subject to teach them?

A: Maths because Miss Khabra enjoys solving maths problems.



It is my favourite piece of work because we had to convert between cm, m and km.

By Ecaterina



I like this work because we did shapes.

By Ozilia

Interview with Miss Holmes!

Why do you like History?

I love to learn new things and about what happened in the past.

Would you like to be a historian?

Yes. I was going to study history as I like learning about family history.

What did you think about the History Day outfits?

They were really creative and had lots of effort put into them, especially the homemade ones!

What is your favourite topic in History?

WWI and WWII.

By Veronika and Isabella



I like my writing in this work.

By Radu

Year 5 Adventure Stories!

The Portal!

Out of nowhere, I had fallen into this weird portal. I had woken up and saw trees talking and animals still as a soldier. I was looking for life (humans) but all I could end up in, were abandoned skyscrapers with nobody inside. I wandered into a forest that was in this dimension, until I heard a group of people whistling...

As I got closer, I heard fire crackling. CRACKLE! I saw there were people and they were my friends! They had been missing for a month; I asked them, how they got there and they replied with, "How you got here!" We got some stones, built a portal, and lit a fire. The portal opened and we stepped in. FLASH! We were back to the real world! We lived our lives happily ever after.

By Dilveer

The Peculiar Portal

As I glared across the dull, lifeless forest, I spotted a peculiar-looking ring which looked similar to a glowing hole. The more I came closer to the enchanted portal, the more my mind got tangled up in perplexion.

As I put my finger into the majestic portal it swallowed my whole body up. "Where am I?" "AHHHHH." My head was beating a hundred miles per hour when I saw... I was on an abandoned island where no human had ever step foot before.

There was no escape. I was going to remain here for the rest of eternity. I thought. A few years later a bizarre figure glen through the sky. "What was that?" To my surprise it was a rescue plane. I picked me up and we lived happily ever after.

By Mustafa

The Last Mission of Rome

Since the Romans settled in Britain, many attacks on the Roman Empire occurred in Rome. Augustus Caesar was bursting with fury. This was the final stroke. He had enough. The British Empire wanted revenge for their land. The British planned an attack as well as the Romans.

Days and days past but the map never changed. "We all split up in Rome and Britain," declared Augustus Caesar. "We attack Rome and Britain!" Proclaimed King George (The King of the British Empire). Finally, the day came. Augustus Caesar said inspirationally, "The last mission of Rome." The battle had begun.

The brutal battle had so many unconscious soldiers on the floor in a matter of seconds. The British had a big problem. Where were their soldiers? They had surrendered. The mission was successful.

By Arnav

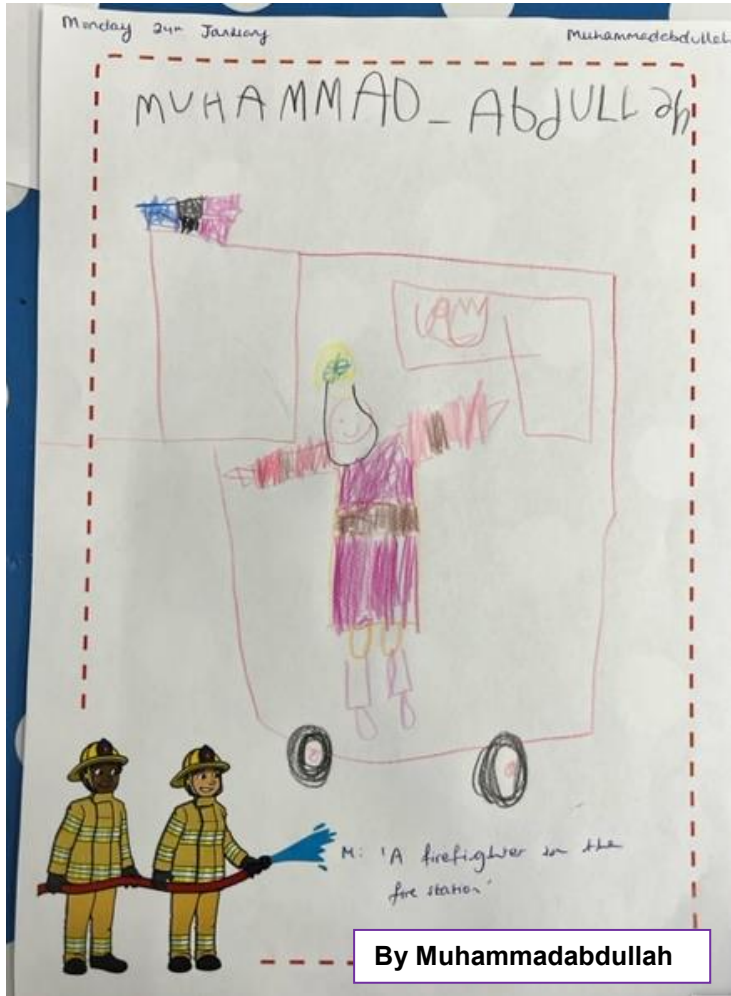
The Dimension!

As I was walking through this forest, there were trees surrounding me as if they were bodyguards. All of a sudden, a wooden, old, rusty door appeared out nowhere. The door led to a beautiful world with mystical creatures. It was an exciting adventure and a one-in-lifetime thing. It was a whole new world!

There was a tall, mountainous mountain. Beautiful birds were chirping in the beautiful, blue sky. Is this a dream? There was a long river filled with chocolate, and a bunch of creatures, who looked like unicorns, who showed me their world. Far ahead, there was a colossal castle, which was as tall as the Bhurj Khalifa. There were magical stairs, which led me, closer to the sky clouds. This was one of the best adventures ever!

By Aleeza

Early Years!



**Work by
Blue Class!**



Stepping Back In Time: History Day!

All About History Day!

Our theme for History Day was the Tudors. This was very exciting! Did you know, some people wore the same clothes as me? My whole class enjoyed it a lot. This was because we did not write in the same way and there were a lot of fun activities. One of the games was being a shopkeeper and another was cutting and sticking pictures in a timeline. I hope you enjoyed listening to what happened on History Day!

By Sohith



The History of the Tudors

In Year 3, we dressed up as the Tudors.

Who were the Tudors?

The Tudors were a Welsh/English family that ruled England and Wales from 1485-1603. One of the most exciting periods of British History,

How long did the Tudors rule?

They ruled for 118 years.

Why are they so famous?

The Tudors were famous for many things including Henry VIII and his six wives, the exploration of America and the plays of William Shakespeare.



By Elias



By Avni



Dear Diary,

Dear Diary,

Every day, I look in the mirror for hours admiring myself and knowing I am the prettiest of them all. My father tells me, "Go give the cows some water." But I don't. Instead, I look at the reflection, my reflection, on the water for hours or an entire evening. One day, I decided to go to the princess's gallery but there were so many rubbish statues as well as paintings. There is only one thing to make this place beautiful and that is a picture of me. Everyone stopped looking at me but at the ugly painting. "This is the worst painting ever and any picture of me will make this picture shine!" I exclaimed. For some reason, everyone was rushing out of the building but I could not care less because I was looking at my reflection through the mirror. Suddenly, I saw the princess's face through the mirror (Athena). She said "Medusa, you are not the prettiest girl of them all but I am." Then, she cursed me and made me get snake hair and she banished me from Athena. I was lost forever, never to be seen again.

By Haider

6th April 1896

Saffron class

Dear Diary,

Today was the day I had been looking forward to for many months! This day would most likely make history; it was going to be the first ever Olympics and I was going to spectate. I travelled from my home town to Olympia. This was a great privilege, as only the best athletes from all over the country would gather to show what they are made of.

So I got ready in my clothes and ate my porridge with blueberries. It was delicious!!! Then I rushed off and out the door so I was on time for the big day.

Along the way, I met many travellers who were also making their way to the games.

As I arrived, floods of spectators arrived: it was a squeeze to get in! Then it was action time. The men offered a sacrifice to Zeus, the king of the gods in return for the safe journey to get there. The crowd were going wild as the men competed in a series of activities; running races, wrestling and boxing. I was excited and nervous about the games, as this was the first time I had seen something like this.

When the Olympics ended after the events the crowd went home to prepare for day 2. Everyone rushed out causing a human stampede like it was a game against the time. Also, I took this opportunity to visit the temple of Zeus and his statue.

Straight after, I walked home so I wouldn't be caught up in any of the commotion. I hope that tomorrow will be just as fun, I will cherish these moments forever.

After tomorrow's events I will write again.

Good Bye!

By Sienna

All about History Day

During history day we had a idea and gained knowledge about how historians lived their life and we took part of enjoyable activities throughout the day.

We have been dressing up into historical outfits and let me share some of them:

- In year 2 they dressed up into Egyptians
- Year 5 dressed up into World War 2 evacuees
- Reception had dressed up into Queens and Kings
- Year 3 were Tudors and so on!

Year 5 made name tags of their name, where they are going, coming from and their age.

Year 2 made pyramids and undecoded Egyptian writings.

Every year group enjoyed the activities that they participated in and had a lot of fun. If you don't have this type of enjoyable activities I believe that you should add it to your curriculum.

Written by Mona



Dear Diary,

Dear Diary,

Today was the worst day ever! I had to leave my own parents to go to a place, which I had never heard of. Although, the journey was fun, frightening and scary, I met some children who raised up my hopes. I could only pack up a few essential things, which would remind me of my family, and help me to survive. Bombs were falling, scaring the life out of me. Sirens rang, my ears started to ache.

Tears trickled down my face to see the world doing harm to itself. Every country was taking part in it. Why were they taking revenge on each other? My heart broke into a million pieces. Hundreds of people died and thousands of homes were destroyed. People were dying of hunger and had to take it even further; the bombs took place at night so people could not concentrate on anything. They needed sleep. It was all known as WWII.

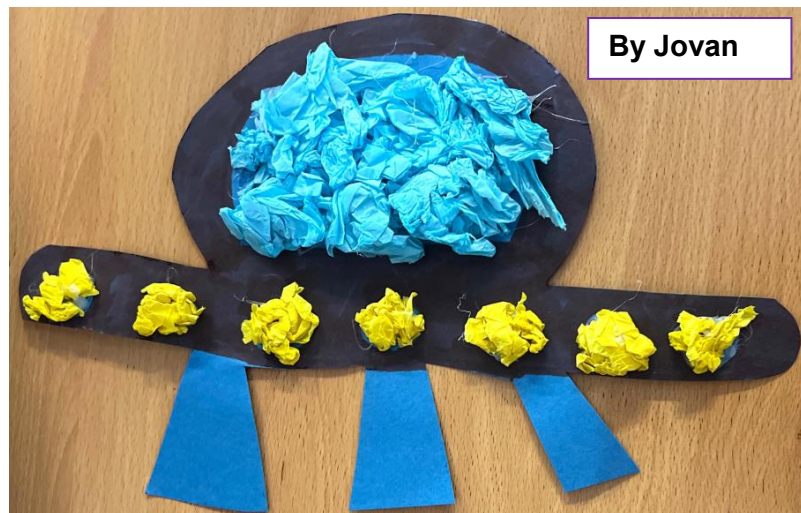
The most terrifying encounter of my life.

By Anna

As the birds chirped, the wolf's growl, I shivered with fear that my ears thud! I tried not to look at the scary trees and the more I took a glimpse of the frightening trees, the more I got brave.

At last, I passed through the most terrifying was, My house broke! Suddenly, I realised that I had my adventurous life to the scariest one ever! This tree was a chattering creature and it was colossal! This made me shiver even more! For a surprise, I looked at the moon that made me relaxed and so I was so relaxed that I felt that flowers were hiding behind me.

I bravely went up the mysterious tree and "OH WOW!" I can see everything! The vast sea, the terrifying trees, almost everything I passed through! I was carrying a sack that was filled with happy endings of stories. I threw everything into the air but as it is, I threw an bird.



By Jovan

My new year's resolution is to be a more kind and loving child. I would like to visit my cousin and sister in Dubai. I want to make everyone happy. I want to improve my handwriting.

By Ajuni

- 1) Do you have a goal and what is it?
to help all children learn
- 2) What is your current year group and what class is it?
All equally All are equal
- 3) Who is your favourite celebrity?
None
- 4) Why did you become a teacher?
Enjoy working with children.
- 5) Who is your favourite teacher?
None
- 6) Messi or Ronaldo and why?
Messi since he is a great player for his country
- 7) How long have you been a teacher?
13 years
- 8) What is your favourite colour?
Purple
- 9) Favourite country?
Japan
- 10) Favourite subject? Why?
Math since it was her favourite she was a child.

What would you like to read about in the next issue?

Have a discussion with your class and let your news editors know!