



### Vocabulary:

Did you know this phrase was created by Shakespeare? Can you use it this week?

#### **A tower of strength**

A person you can rely on for support

*Richard III*, Act 5 Scene 3

Dear Families,

Welcome back after the half term break. I hope you had a well-deserved rest with your family.

As you know, we have been trialling reading with our Doodle 'Heidi' and this is going really well. The children love her and delight in reading to her. She also loves them! She will generally be in school for two days per week and we can already see some huge positives in having her around. We have a child in school who is reluctant to speak, but chatters away to Heidi!



### Our VALUES

This week we are thinking about being  
**EMPATHETIC**

## This week at Keresley Newland!



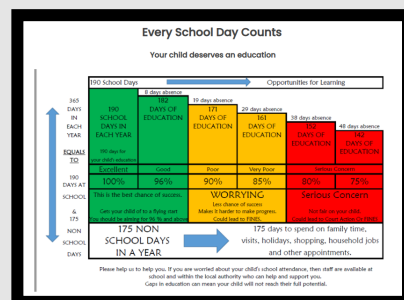
### **For Keresley Newland:**

#### **Follow us on:**

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### **Attendance:**

Best Attendance = Kensuke's Kingdom



Language, Learning, Lives!

RESPONSIBLE  
EMPATHETIC  
SUCCESSFUL  
PROBLEM SOLVERS  
ENTERPRIISING  
COLLABORATIVE  
TOGETHER

Every Friday, we have 'Good to be Green'time. The children take time to review learning for the week and to play some great games with friends. The children are learning to play, win and lose with traditional board games including Frustration, Ludo and Connect 4.



**Attendance: Don't forget.... we are inviting you to join the...**

## **BIG EASTER PRIZE GIVING**

### **FOR 100% ATTENDANCE.**

**Every child who gets 100% for the next half term will win an Easter Egg!**

Currently attendance is sitting at 91% and this is well-below national average. **We are aiming for 95% for the year.** We have some children who are persistently absent with attendance well below 90%. Please make a big effort to get children in school and on time as every day and every lesson counts towards learning.

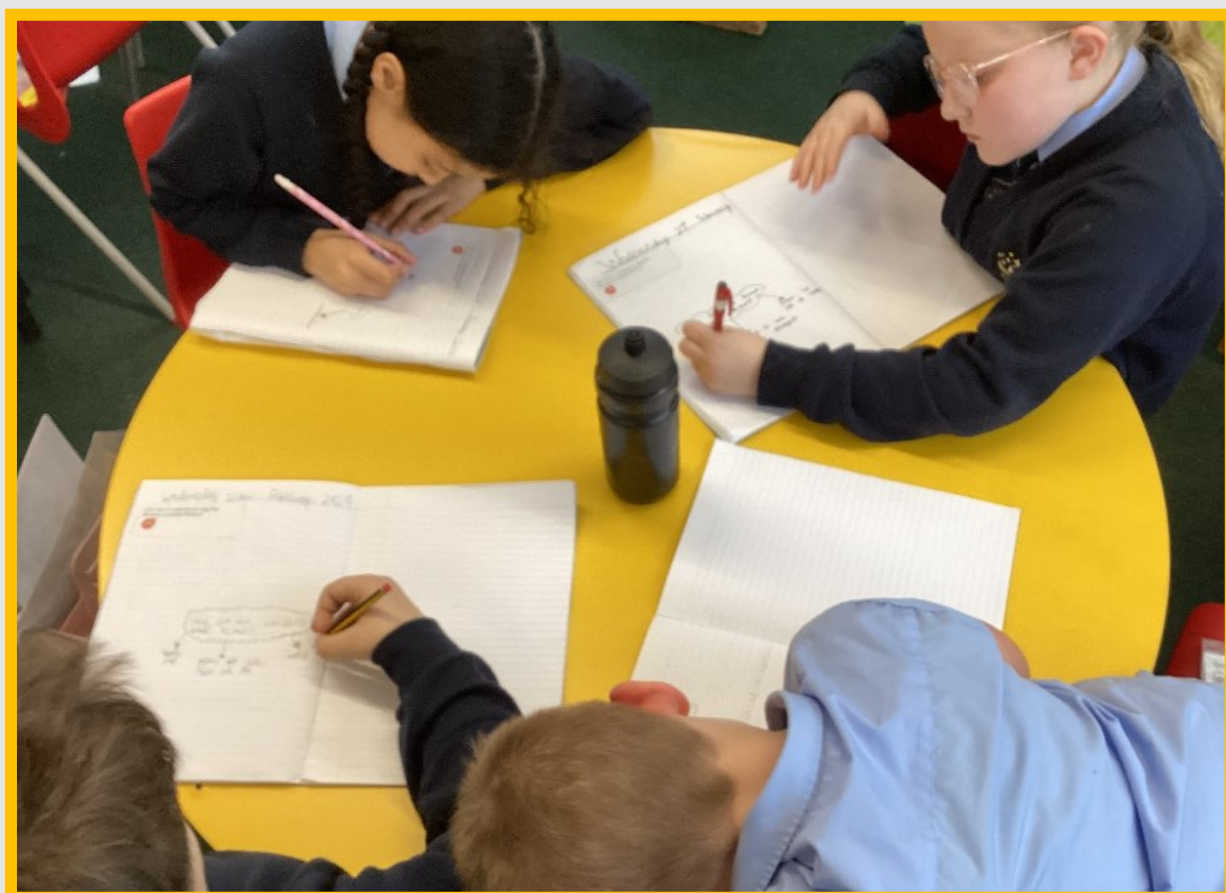


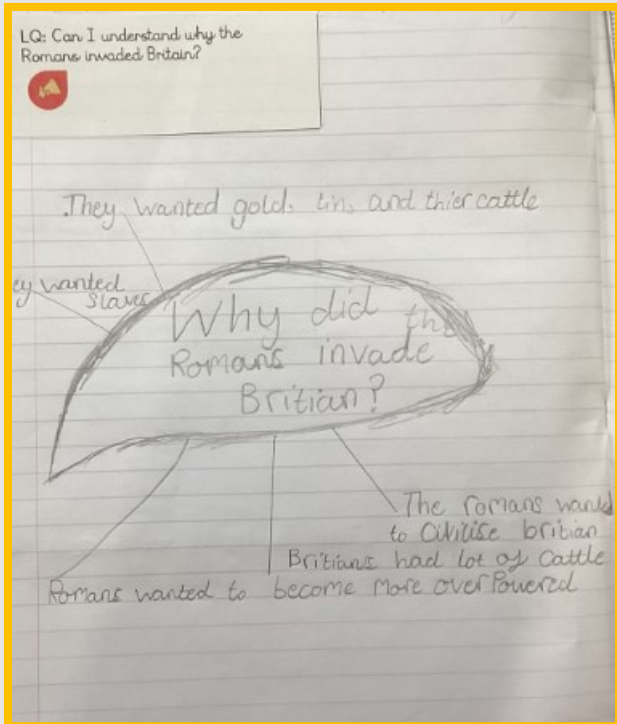


**The week our news is all about EXPERT LEARNING.** In Expert Science, **Neptune Bay** have started learning about 'Everyday Materials.' They talked about different objects and unpicked what materials they were made from.

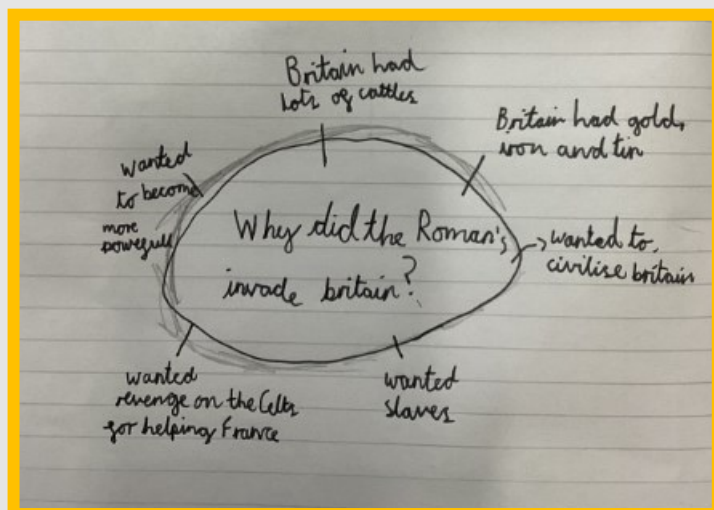


In **Zuckerman's Farm**, the children have been learning about the Roman invasion of Britain! They looked at the reasons why the Roman Empire wanted to conquer Britain and why it was the perfect place for them. The children also created mind maps that included all of the reasons why the Romans invaded Britain and they are going to use them for their writing. They are going to create a balanced argument about whether the Romans should invade Britain.





## Zuckerman's Farm continued...



**Sunnyside** nursery have been exploring emotions. They made emotion jars, experimented with how things change using chalk to colour salt. They also linked colours to feelings.





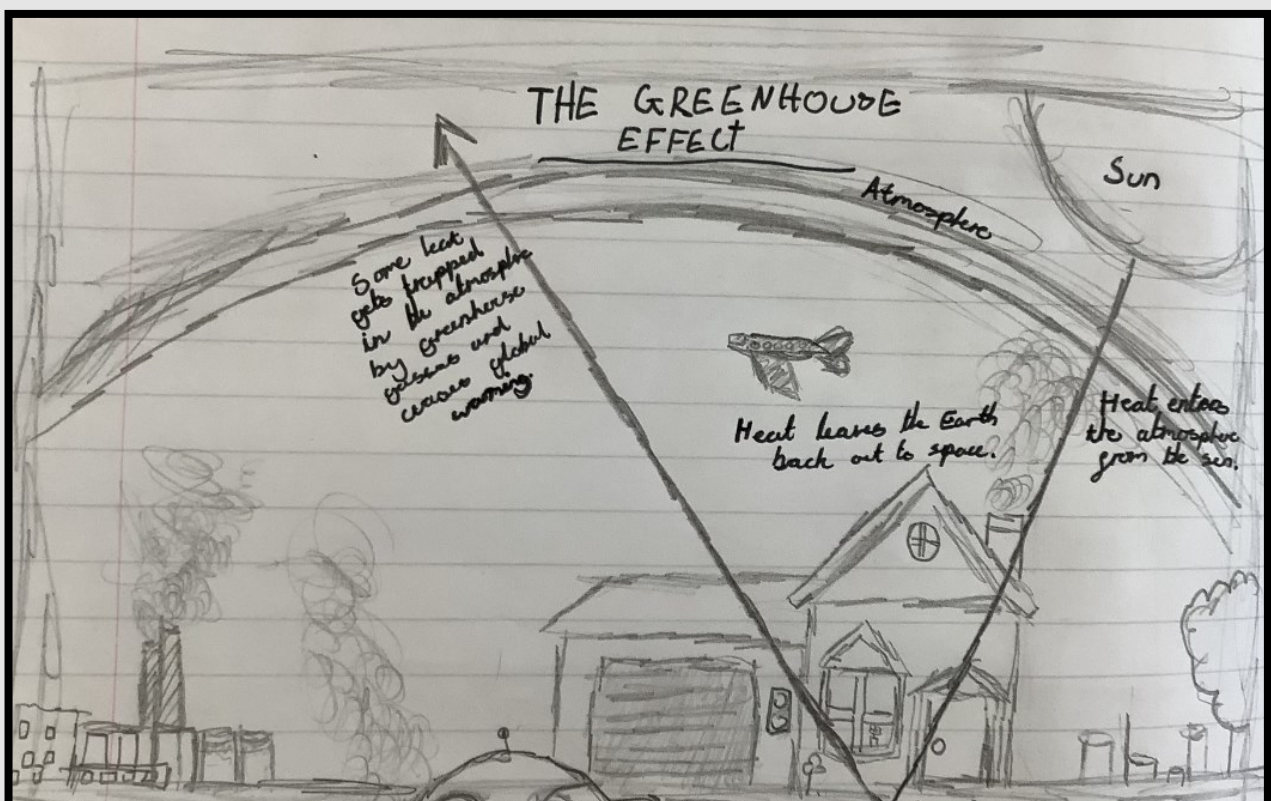
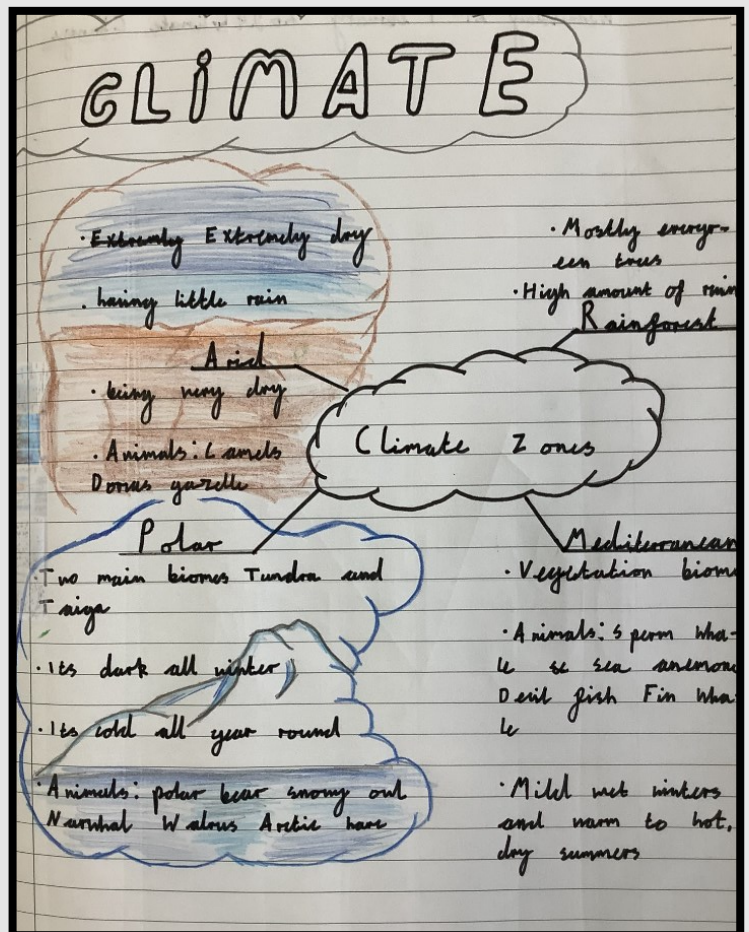
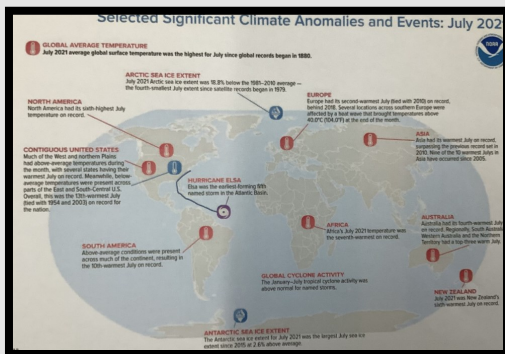
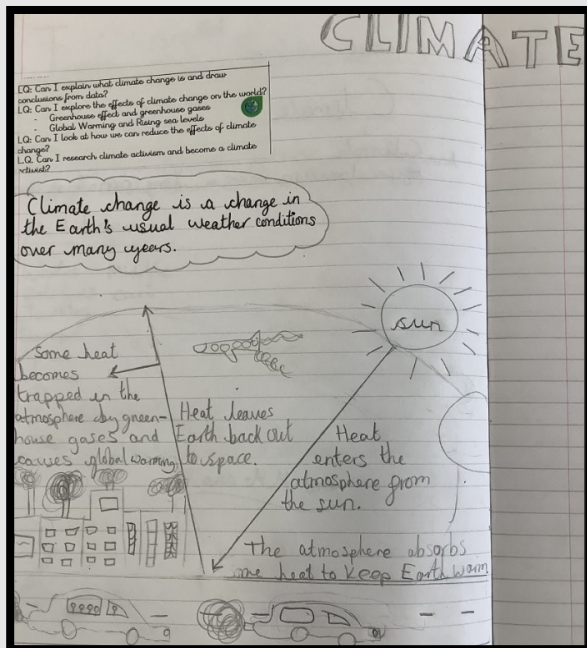


*More from Sunnyside ...*





**Fantasy Team** have been exploring more about climate change in their Expert Geography learning. Having spent last term understanding the difference between weather and climate, they have investigated more about how the climate is changing. They learnt about the greenhouse effect and drew some diagrams to show this process. They looked at different data to draw their conclusions.

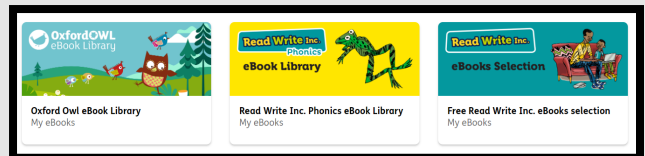


## Key School Improvement News:

Reading: This week we are opening our online reading platform for Fairytale Teams.

Please check out your child's username and password to access the online books and quizzes, linked to our Read, Write, Inc.. Phonics.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page>



### Accelerated Reader:

This term, the top readers are from Fantasy Team:

Aayush, Brooklyn and Saafiya.



### Top tip for Online Safety:

Set limits on social media usage and use privacy features and content filters



### Reading Awards:

The top readers this week are from Neptune Bay, with Mia, Hartaj, Spencer and Dina leading the way. Alantis is the top reader this week from Wonderland.

Well done all and keep up with the reading.



### This week's BOOK RECOMMENDATION:

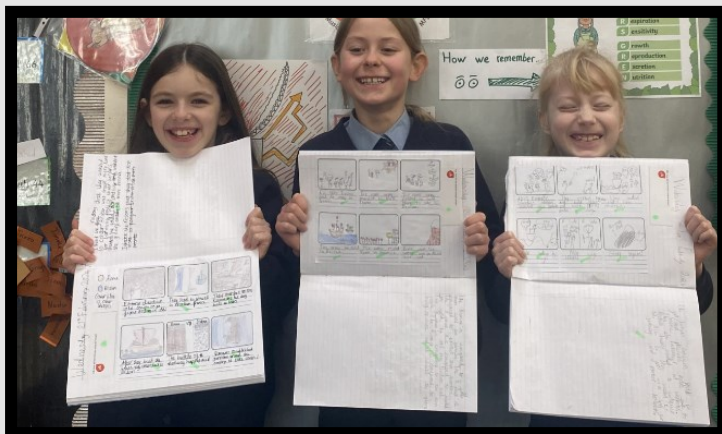
The first book in the bestselling Percy Jackson and the Olympians series. Half boy, half god, all hero.

Look, I never asked to be the son of a Greek god. I was just a normal kid. . . until I accidentally vaporized my maths teacher. Percy Jackson is having a bad week. His life has gone from totally normal to monsters-from-Greek-mythology-randomly-appearing kind of strange. Worse still, the king of the gods thinks Percy has stolen his all-powerful lightning bolt - and it seems making Zeus angry is a very bad idea.

Now Percy and his friends have just ten days to catch the true lightning thief and stop all-out war from erupting on Mount Olympus. What could possibly go wrong?



And Finally.... **Wonderland** have been learning about how the Romans invaded Britain in History, this week.



## Dates for the Diary—Keresley Newland:

Date	Event	Year Group
Friday 8th March	World Book Day Dress-up/Dress-down	All school
Wednesday 13th March	Bake-off and cake sale for Comic Relief	All school
Friday 15th March	Wear something Red for Comic Relief	All school
11th March - 13th March	PGL Residential Trip	Year 6
Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April	Easter Holidays	All school
w/c 8th April	Nursery mid-year intake	Nursery
w/c 20th May	Bikeability - Level 1 & 2	Year 5
18th June	Class Photographs	All school
5th November (TBC)	Individual School Photographs	All school

### Personal Data:

It is your responsibility to keep your contact details up to date with the school office. Please note you can opt in or out of photo permissions at any time by contacting the school office or through studybugs.

### Parking:

Our children's safety is our main priority and this includes their journey to and from school. No parking is permitted in the staff carpark. Please park around the school respectfully and not over private driveways. We would encourage walking to school where possible. It is not only great exercise, but also good for the environment.

### Mobile Phones and Photographs whilst on the school site:

*Thank you for reading our news for the week, and we look forward to our next exciting week in school.*

*Mrs Penlington and all at Keresley Newland.*