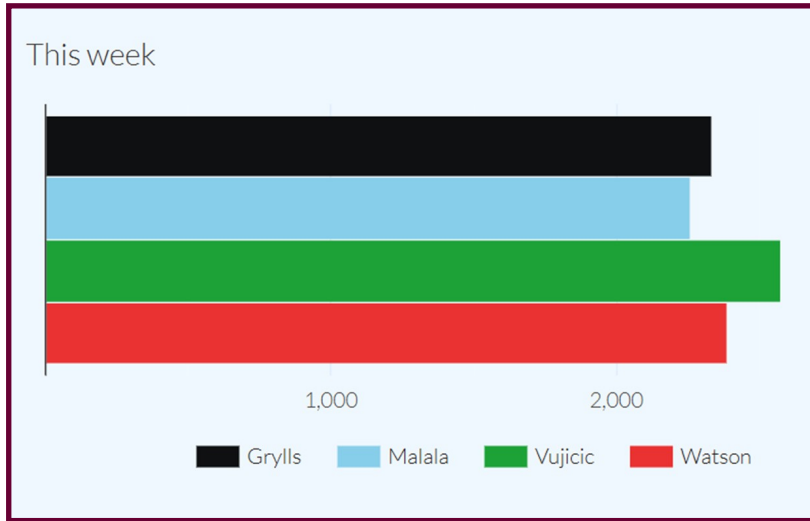


Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's parent bulletin.

House News



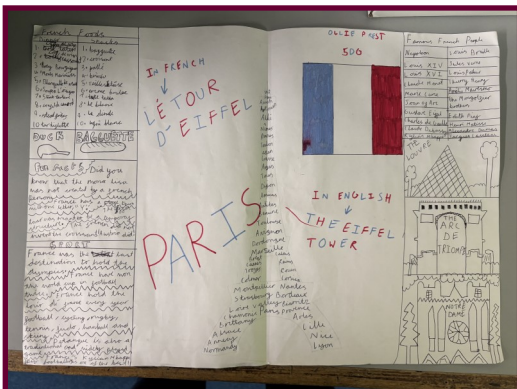
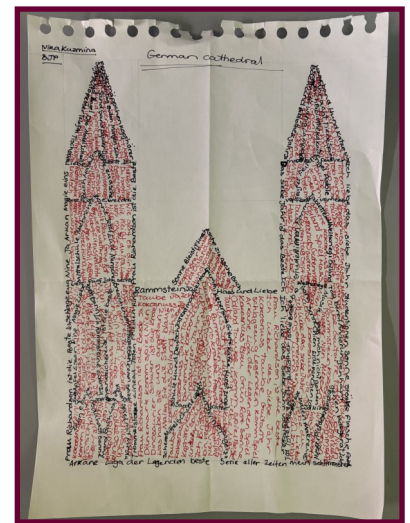
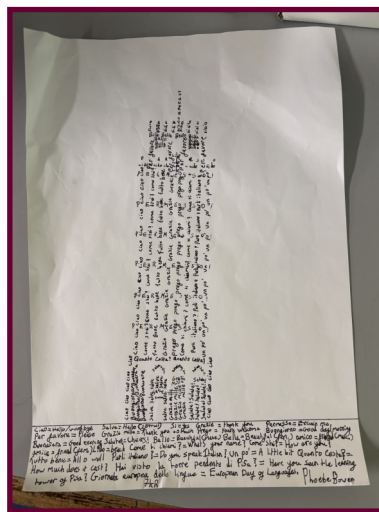
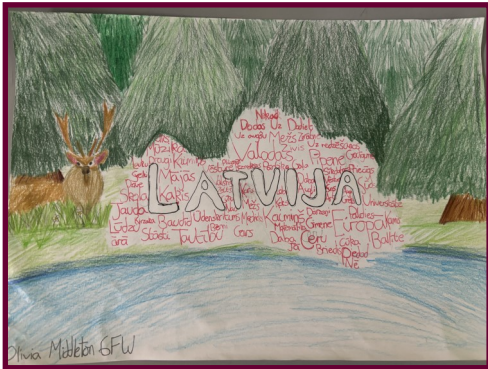
Big week for Vujicic as they took full advantage of double points week leading into the break - a sign of strong learning stamina!

September House Challenge : European Day of Languages Winners

Some of the Language Ambassadors met this morning to judge the European Day of Languages House competition. There were over 50 entries and it is clear to see that everybody that entered has put in so much time, effort and dedication and as a result, the judges had a very difficult job choosing the winners! They managed to agree in the end so without further ado, here are the winners:

- Year 5 - Ollie P - 5DG
- Year 6 - Olivia M - 6FW
- Year 7 - Phoebe B - 7KR
- Year 8 - Nika K - 8JP

Well done again to everyone that entered! I look forward to creating our new display after half term.



October House Challenge: Harvest Festival Food Bank Drop



Thank you to everyone who took part in this - supporting our local community and those who need us most. Each House has won candle credits based on the collective donations of the House:

Vujicic - 200 candle credits
Grylls - 150 candle credits
Malala - 100 candle credits
Watson - 50 candle credits

The November and December House challenges will both be launched in worship on the first Friday back - 7th November.

Parents in to Year 5 and 6

Yesterday afternoon saw us welcome over 150 families from our Year 5 and 6 classes to look through their books with their children. Thank you to everyone who attended and made this such a worthwhile event - the most common feedback was that it was great to be able to see the work the pupils were working so hard on as the description of their day once home is often limited - we've all been there!

We have received some requests from parents who did not arrive yesterday to view their child's work as planned. Unfortunately we are unable to hold catch-up sessions but please be advised there will be an opportunity to come and view your child's work again later in the academic year.

Year 5

In PE we have been finishing off our invasion games unit - the children have been assessed in their sending and receiving skills and during their game play have been demonstrating their understanding of finding space in attack and denying space in defence.

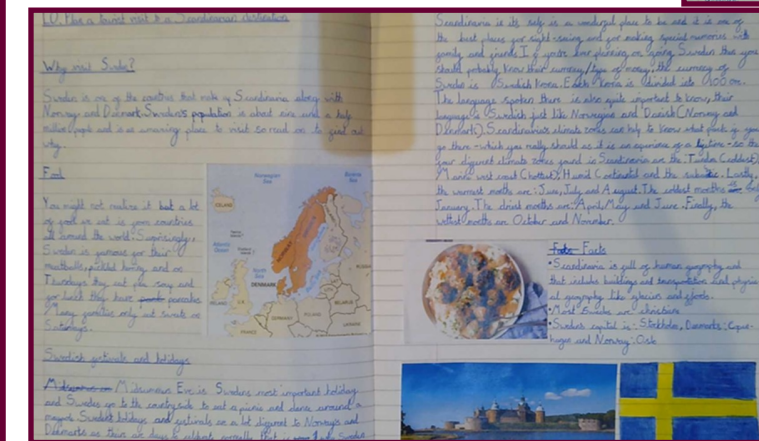
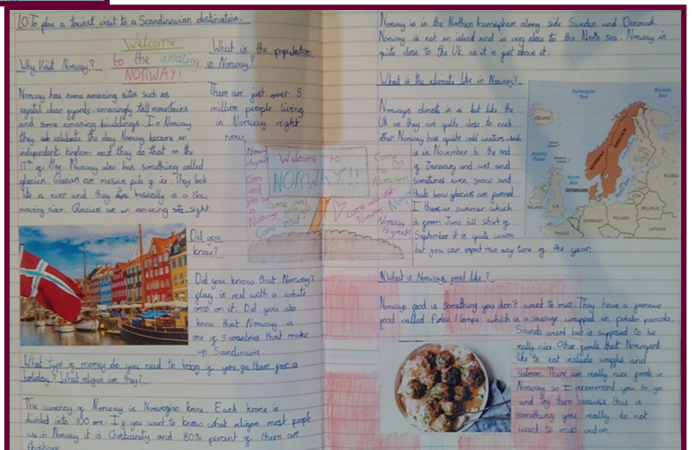
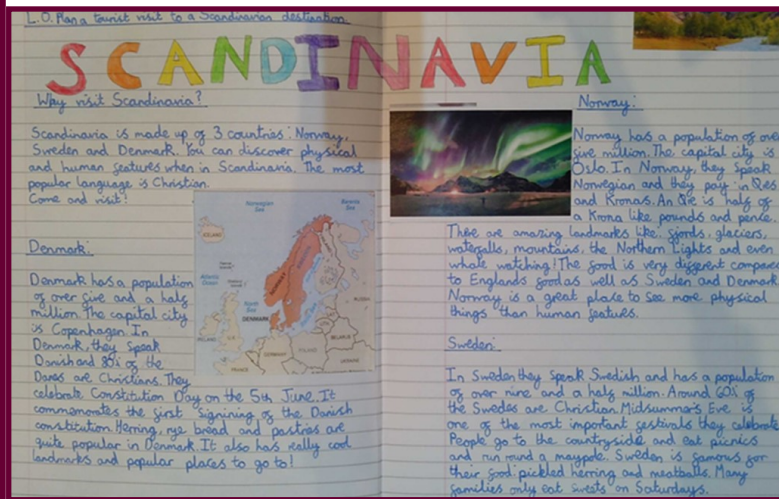
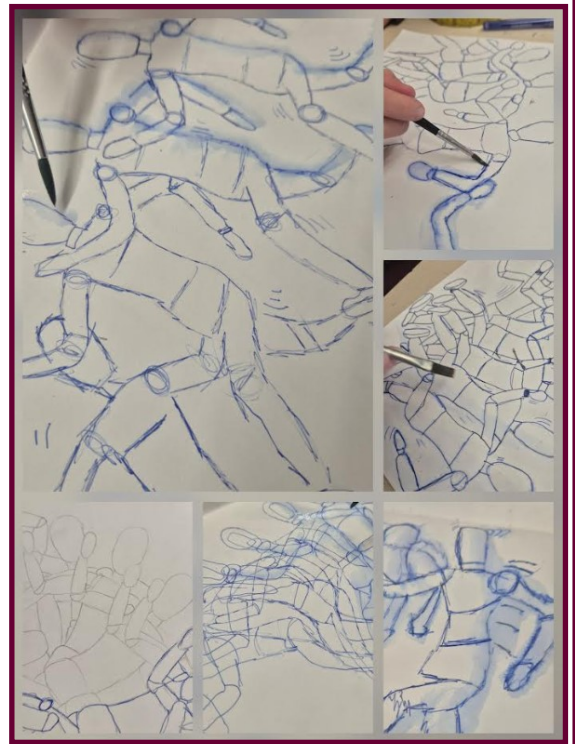
We have been hugely impressed with their application of skills in these game situations. Well done Year 5 - keep up the hard work. After half term we move on to table tennis and trampolining.

In French the pupils have been learning how to apply their knowledge of colours to describe a variety of contexts - mostly school equipment and clothes. Tres bien!

Year 6

This week in Art, Year 6 have been working with pen and ink wash looking at figures in action.

In Humanities, Year 6 have come to the end of their first geography topic where they have been studying Scandinavia. The children have worked really diligently over the half term, exploring the countries that make up Scandinavia, identifying through data analysis, the differences in physical geography and the variety of climates associated with this geographical region situated in the Northern Hemisphere. Recently the children examined similarities between Stockholm (the capital city of Sweden) and London. The half term's work culminated in a written assessment, where the children had to design and produce a report that could be used to inform someone who wanted to plan a trip to a country in Scandinavia. As you can see the children took great pride in their assessments. Well done Year 6!



Year 8 Sports Leader Training

Year 8 children received their long awaited Sports Leader training, delivered by Katrina Cole. A packed morning of training for and leading sports events. The children were brilliantly engaged in the training and showed excellent application throughout the events. We often make the mistake of asking people to lead without giving them the training to do so. Clarity of instruction, the power of demonstration, caring for the people they are leading, and organising were some of the leadership skills developed. We look forward to their work throughout the year.



Cross Country

Last week Mr Foord took a group of cross country runners to Ferndown Upper School for the second cross country meet of the year. Once again we had a strong team performance with our Year 5 & 6 girls and boys team finishing third overall. Great efforts from everybody but also a special mention to Erin P and Toby S who won their respective Year 5 and 6 race. Word is spreading amongst the children therefore we are keen to hear from your child if they would like to be involved.

Football: Year 5/6 Poole and East Dorset Cup

Last Friday evening, Emmanuel Middle School kicked off their season with an opening home tie against St Ives in the PEDSSA Cup. The first half saw two evenly matched teams play some good football and essentially cancelled each other out. However Jack D was forced into making some really sharp saves in the first 10 minutes. The match was at a stale mate. That was until EMS played some brilliantly sweeping football in a counter attacking move that created an opening goal involving the midfield and scored, just before half time.

The second half started in the same manner as the first, until Kane P-W (playing in an unfamiliar left wing back role) linked up with his Verwood Town team mate Lewis B, who reversed the ball with a pin point pass to the opposite winger Toby E, who in turn took a touch out of his feet and from outside of the area smashed a low shot into the far corner back across the St Ives keeper. 2-0. With the last quarter of the match remaining, EMS had made a lot of changes and Mathew D who had come on for his EMS debut, decided to test the St Ives goal with his left foot shot from range. The result was a 'Top Bins' wonder goal to wrap up the tie. St Ives were fantastic visitors and both teams played this cup tie in the right spirit. Both teams were physical, competitive but also played the match with respect for each other. Into the hat EMS go and an away tie to our Trust rivals St Michael's Middle School for a match to be arranged after the half term. Well done boys and up the EMS!

Mr Brennan and Mr Sibley



School Nursing Team
0-19 CYP Public Health Service

Parent drop-in



NHS
Dorset HealthCare University
NHS Foundation Trust

Your next drop-in will be on:

Thursday 13th November 2025
8.45am - 11.45am

Your school nursing team can provide non-judgemental and confidential support and advice about:

- Healthy lifestyle advice
- Sleep advice
- Emotional health and well-being support
- Signposting to various services
- Bedwetting and toileting
- Parenting advice
- Nutrition and growth
- Behaviour support

You can contact us via

- School nursing admin hub on 01929 557 558
- Parentline advice 5-19 texting service on 07312263131
- Website at www.dorsethealthcare.nhs.uk/school-nursing

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We provide a confidential service. This means that you can discuss personal information in confidence. We will not discuss your personal information with anyone else without your permission. This includes parents and teachers. We would only pass on your information in order to protect you or someone else from serious harm. Whenever possible we would discuss this with you first.

The School Nurse team will be holding their first parent drop-in sessions in school on Thursday 13th November. There are limited appointments available. If you would like an appointment please email pastoral@emmanuelmiddle.org. Please do not contact the school office.

PTFA Sponsored Colour Run

The PTFA sponsored colour run raised an impressive £2,420 from the 94 sponsorship forms received. If anyone has any outstanding sponsorship money please can this be brought into the office after half term.

Rotary Club Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated a filled shoebox for the Rotary Club Christmas Shoebox Appeal. These were collected today.



All that is left is to wish everyone a wonderful half term - perhaps we'll get at least one dry day! A reminder that Monday 3rd November is an INSET day so we look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 4th November.

Mr Rob Christopher & Mr Alister Barker

HALF TERM



HALF - TERM OPENING HOURS

MONDAY : 09:30-16:30
TUESDAY: 09:30-16:30
WEDNESDAY: 09:30-16:30
THURSDAY: 09:30-16:30
FRIDAY: 09:30-16:30
SATURDAY : 09:00-16:30
SUNDAY: CLOSED

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRED

WIN • WIN • WIN

Visit us any time this October Half Term and
take a peek at our Skeleton Jar!

Can you guess how many scary sweets are
hiding inside?

The closest guess wins a Spooky Mini Craft
Hamper

AND all the creepy candies in the jar!

Do you dare to take the challenge?

Visit us at Bartletts Schoolwear, 52 King Street , Wimborne .
Visit between Saturday 25 October & Friday 31 October to submit your guess.
FREE ENTRY / Winner will be announced Saturday 01 November