

Gosforth East Middle School News



Summer Term 2

2025



Welcome to Summer 2

Our Favourite Things About GEMS:

“Being on duty in the glorious sun, watching friendships grow.” Mr Maloney

“The library. I love reading! It’s a great place to talk to people about books.” Lucy J

“I love Food Tech and the staff. The children are hilarious, they always make me laugh.” Miss Bannon

Interviewed by Ayomi

I asked 5 so you don’t have to:

Rosey M : I touched a tomato! I really don’t like them.

Miss McFall : I found my old figure skates so decided to get back on the ice nearly 20 years later!

Alex : I have settled into GEMS well!

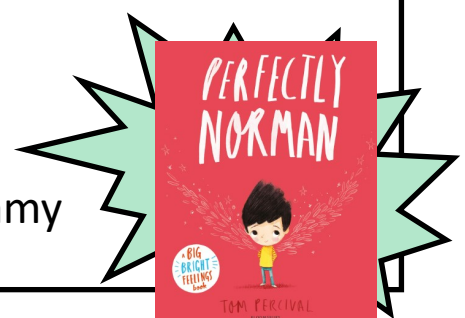
Mr Maloney: Becoming a part of the staff team at GEMS. I am now officially a gem!

Lucy J: I’m proud of myself for doing a Frozen audition because I feel really good about it because I felt nervous at the start but then proud of myself after.

WHAT HAVE YOU
DONE TODAY TO MAKE
YOU FEEL
-PROUD-

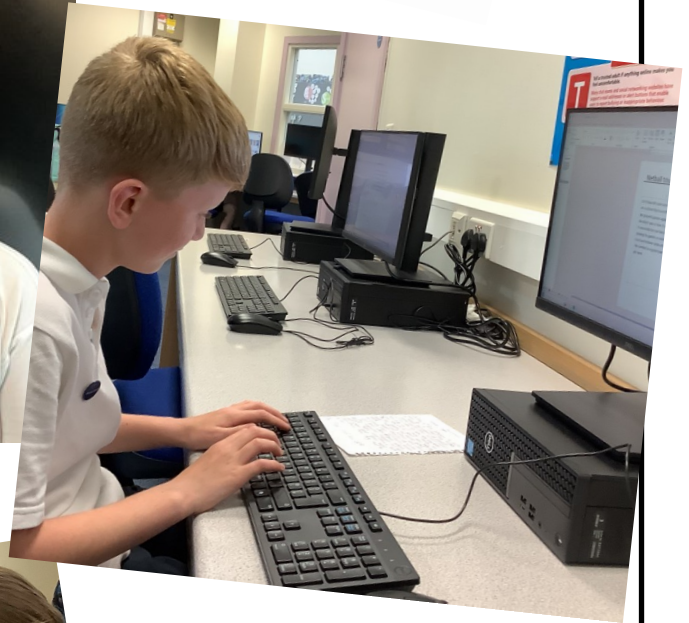
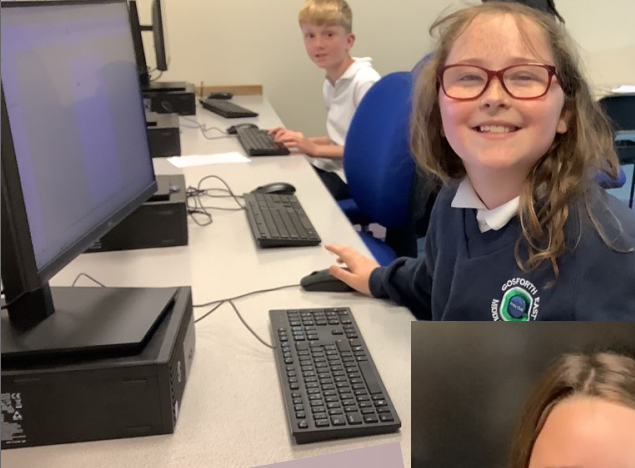
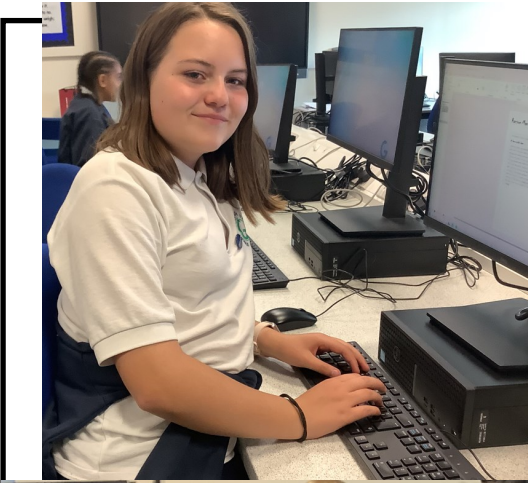
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By Sammy



— Meet Press Club

Get an insider of who has been writing the newsletter all year! We have got: the club leader Miss McFall, Alex I , Sophie C, Zoe M, Millie A, Lola A, Sammy R and Rosey M-S. By Lola

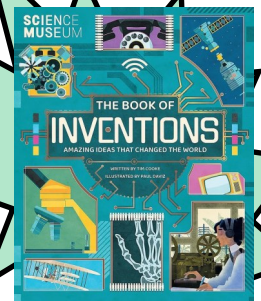
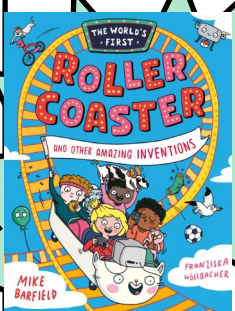


Little Inventors



Last term, Ivy's winning design was chosen to be made into a working model. Ivy visited the Little Inventors workshop in June to see the model of her winning design of 'The Traffic Tunnel 2000!' come to life.

On Saturday 12th July 2025, a day of celebrations and creative activities at the Lit & Phil, the three winning inventions were displayed!



Frozen Auditions and Casting!

A few months ago, children who participated in Moana who were in year 7 got to decide the new musical for the year 2025. It was decided it would be Frozen the Musical Jr.

When casting came around, students were working very hard to memorise and practice lines and songs to get their desired roles.

About 4 weeks later, everyone who auditioned finally (after many weeks of waiting) found out their parts in Frozen Jr. Many were very happy with the outcome however few were disappointed.

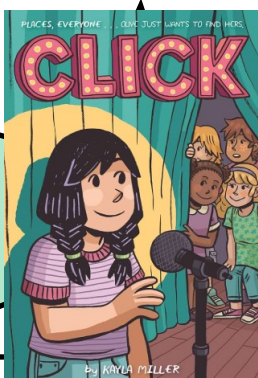
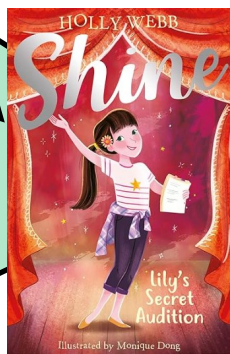
The main roles went to: Elsa: Mia Hutchinson, Emily Graham and Poppy Greenhill, Anna: Emily Adlam, Lilly Pattison and Izzy Price.

The rehearsals for frozen start after the summer holidays and include afterschool rehearsals on Tuesdays and lunch rehearsals on Mondays and Thursdays.

If you are not going into year 8 next year, you will be able to audition for the next school musical which has not been decided yet. It is very fun and builds so many skills like: confidence, acting, singing, dancing, sociability and leaving your comfort zone.

You can expect many Frozen Jr teasers coming up in assemblies, concerts and posters! This year's show is going to be the best yet so really consider coming this year in March! So if you have any plans from the 15th of March to 19th of March 2026, Let It Go!

Written By Mia Hutchinson



Panto Club

In GEMS there has been a fun and exiting play going on all about King Henry the eighth, his wives and what King Henry did to them. It was about the facts you didn't know about the wives and Henry's favourite war ship, the Mary rose and how it sadly came to an end. We had a brilliant time and all the actors were outstanding. It is amazing how good it was even though we didn't have enough people because they couldn't make it to rehearsals. Overall we only had two normal practises not in lessons and we only missed 2 lessons, wow!

The play is really educational with a funny twist to it and we couldn't have done it without the people in the audience so thank you all who watched and a big thank you to Miss Weston. We are looking for people to join so if you don't feel confident to do the big play or you feel like you need more practise acting, this is the place for you. We also do more shows—two per year. We practise on Monday after school and if you cant make it, we also do Wednesday lunch time at 1 pm.

By Lucy Watkins



Flag Football Winners Celebrate Receiving their Trophy!



Netball Tournament

On Friday 6th June some year 6 girls went on a school trip to a netball tournament. We played 6 games against other schools. We didn't win or lose.



It was very exciting as it was really fun our favourite part was playing the games as some were really hard and intense while others were easier. We worked as a good team and when people were low, everyone helped out and got their confidence back and gave them more confidence than they had before. By Faye and Avni 6ER

Rugby Tournament

Last term the Can Can's key group had organised a rugby tournament sponsored by the Falcons. It was to do with their body positivity project which they had started in 2024 (Year Seven!) This was very successful and well organised as two other schools came and we submitted two teams our self. The schools that came were St. Marys and JPA (Jesmond Park Academy). Team 1 faced many challenges such as other teams not being the nicest but still powered through and came first!

Team 2 were also great and came third!!

T1 included (Grace Lenham, Esme Coles, Erin Jones, Ella Davison, Amelie Gibbon, Ava Thompson Jocelyn NG)

T2 Included (Ruby Edwards, Jess Waters, Ghida Dahidah, Eva Chapelow, Izzy Gent, Safiya Khalafallah, Heidi Collins)

By Grace, Esme and Hannah

Big Gig



Getting into the spirit at The Big Gig 2025!

On the Friday 20th of June students that take part in choir but also if they play an instrument went to the Eagles Basketball Arena, they were all very excited. We went on the metro in the morning to get there had our lunch then sang all the songs in front of the parents. Every time we

go it always has a theme of music when we went it was Songs of the 70s, you could of dressed up if you had wanted to.

There were around 1,500 pupils from lots of different schools taking part. We all had so much fun although it was very tiring. We had to get the Metro half-way there and walk the rest of the way. It was boiling (at that point, the hottest day of the year).

We loved playing every single song and there were so many schools there and there were lots of instruments such as: flutes, cellos, violins, guitars, steel pans, trumpets and ukeleles.

As we were only wearing one thing with the school logo on it, we got to choose the rest of our outfits. Lots of people were wearing denim shorts and flower garlands or anything with flowers on them.



MPN BIG GIG 2025
SOUNDS OF THE 70S
#mpnbiggig



The setlist was: **Crocodile Rock**- Elton John, **Dancing Queen**- AB-BA, **Crazy Little Thing Called Love** - Queen (my favorite), **Sweet Home Alabama**- Lynyrd Skynyrd, **We Are Family**- Sister Sledge, **I Will Survive**- Gloria Gaynor, **Rocking All Over The World** – Status Quo, and **Take Me Home Country Roads** -John Denver.

We had a practice in the morning and then we had lunch. It was so hot and stuffy inside that some of us decided to go outside to eat lunch although it was very hot outside too. Then our audience started pouring in from all the different entrances.

Lots of people did solos such as Jocelyn NG who played the flute incredibly. She did the solo in front of so many people which I thought was very brave. She played a solo for Dancing Queen which was very, very good!

Our other soloist was Ethan Carthy who played the guitar on 'Sweet Home Alabama'. He was very confident and really looked the part!

We also had two singers in the lead choir, Mia Hutchinson and Emily Graham.

I had a wonderful experience, and I hope everybody else did too. I cannot wait until next year when we go again (I just hope it isn't on the hottest day of the year next year!).

By Ruby Gregory



Year 5 Create Day

On the 8th July, Year 5 pupils joined thousands of others across the country for Create Day 2025. We had had a few prep lessons for the event which included ballet dancing inspired by **Crystal Pite's Covenant**, crafting a box of hope and learning a new song called "The Hope".

The whole project was based on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, especially the rights to identity, to play and to have our voices heard.

We were particularly thinking about the plight of child refugees around the world, represented by 'Little Amal', a 3-metre-tall puppet representing child refugees. She travelled through many countries, ending up at the Royal Ballet and Opera in London.



On the day itself, we had warm up and practice in the morning, remembering our dance and song with the boxes of hope we made in the crafting sessions.

In the afternoon, we took part in a live-streamed performance, along with all the other children and the singers and dancers from the Royal Ballet and Opera. We danced and sang, using our boxes of hopes for the future as part of the choreography. This all helped to make it a very powerful and moving performance.

Below are some words of thanks from Jillian Barker, Director of Learning & Participation at The Royal Ballet & Opera.



*A huge thank you for joining us on **Create Day**—it was such an inspiring celebration of children's rights and creativity!*

*Seeing you and hundreds of classes nationwide performing the dance inspired by **Crystal Pite's Covenant** and then singing the incredibly uplifting "**The Hope**" was such a powerful moment.*

*The children's energy, expression, and commitment brought the themes of the **UN Convention on the Rights of the Child** to life in the most moving way.*



Musical events to look forward to:

Tuesday 15th July: Recital concert for parents of performers. Raising money for Pearl of Africa visit in September and Diabetes UK.

Thursday 25th September: Pearl of Africa Children's Choir: They are attempting to visit again this year after last year's event was called off at the last minute. A brilliant day of Ugandan singing, drumming, dancing and crafting to look forward to and a performance in the evening to which parents are invited.... Fingers crossed.

The Pyramid Concert Rehearsals and Show

On Thursday 26th June 2025, many children from the choir went to Gosforth Academy for a workshop / rehearsal for a show on Monday 30th of June, The pyramid concert.

They learnt 3 new songs: Lovely Day, Defying Gravity and Go the Distance medley and Run for Home. They were split into groups based on vocal ability. The groups were high vocals, medium vocals and low vocals. Some people in high vocals were Isla Howett, Mia Hutchinson, Ellie Miladinova, Rosie Hansford and Emily Adlam. Some people in medium vocals were Summer St Ledger, Harriet McCourt, Rebecca Shires and Eliza Dixon. Some people in the low vocals were in different schools. That leads to the second part.

At the academy, students from Gosforth Central Middle School and Great Park Academy were also participating in the workshop. We did many warm ups like singing numbers from 1 to 10, changing key on each number to get higher and higher, and then singing them from 10 to 1. After doing warm ups and practicing many times, We headed back to school.



Then, on Monday 30th June at 6:30pm, the children participating in the concert headed back to the academy to perform at 7 o'clock. GEMS then performed (alongside many others from the different schools), Lovley Day, Run for Home and Defying Gravity and Go the Distance medley to many relatives and cares. After, just GEMS students, performed Shiny from Moana Jr the Musical, With Mia Hutchinson as Tamatoa and Harriet McCourt and Summer St Ledger as left and right claws.

The whole experience was fun and educational and helped improve many people's skills with singing, sociability and confidence. The choir is always open for more people joining so why not give it a try and you could join in with many concerts like this as well!

Written by Mia Hutchison

The MPN Ensembles Concert

The **Ensembles concert** took place at **Trinity Church** on the **9th of July 2025**.

The concert had a few schools and groups including ours! The steel pans group (GEMS Steelers) went to the concert to play. We'd been practicing for a few weeks, but had to change the pans we were using with just two weeks to go!

Some people stayed at school so that they could walk round with the others to the concert. The three people that stayed were Chloe Carr (that's me), Maja Olston and Taylor- Eve Wright. While we were walking around near Asda Erica Taylor spotted us and came over to walk there with us. From there on out all we needed to do was to walk.



When we had arrived, we entered to see the inside of huge church. When we had sat down around 25 minutes later, we were all there. **Maja, Scott, Ruby, Zak, Emma, Erica, Elsa, Rosa, Chloe, Jacob, Taylor and Rosie**. There were a few other schools which played different instruments like violins, ukeleles, clarinets, cellos, violas and choirs.

The steel pans played at the end to close the show with real summer energy! We played **As It Was** and **Waka Waka** with **Zak** on the drums for **Waka Waka** and **Chloe** for **As It Was**.

In the end I think **the performance was great** and the crowd really enjoyed it.

By Chloe Carr

Young Green Briton National Final

After winning the regional finals, the boys were invited to London for the National Final! They got to spend a couple of days enjoying what London has to offer: the Science Museum, ice cream and sun, sun, sun!

At the finals, the boys joined all other winning teams from across the country and met some very interesting people like the Deputy Mayor of London and Chris Packham CBE! The kids got to see projects of other schools from around the country and chat with other groups about eco ideas and have their hard work and commitment recognised!



The grand and auspicious surroundings of City Hall, London.



The team, Miss Jefferson and Mr Hodgson with Christopher Packham CBE!



Their work composting waste at GEMS continues and hopes to grow.

Year 8 London Trip

On the 23rd of June the first lot of y8s went to London . There were 2 trips: Monday-Wednesday and Wednesday-Friday. In London there are many opportunities. Some activities included:

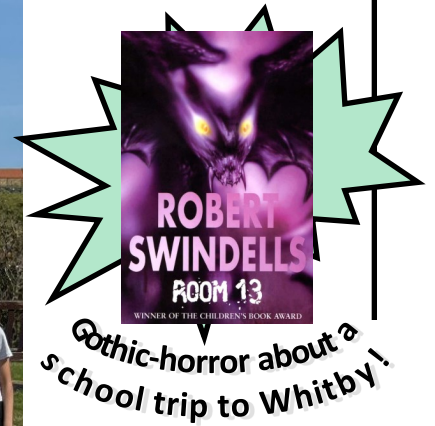
- ◆ Shopping in Covent Gardens
- ◆ Seeing musicals (not one but two: Wicked and Clueless!)
- ◆ Visiting London Zoo
- ◆ Going on the London eye
- ◆ Going into the London Dungeons and Madame Tussauds
- ◆ Sightseeing. We saw Buckingham palace and other big attractions!

By Millie A

Whitby



The Whale Bone Arch



Gothic-horror about a school trip to Whitby!



The 199 Steps



It was a really good trip. I would recommend it to other pupils because it's fun and we get to buy ice cream and lots of souvenirs. We also went on a boat ride and saw a seal! Lucy J



Fossil hunting at the beautiful Saltwick bay.



The Abby was made by St Hilda. The Abby was then used by the 1900's author Bram Stoker. He wrote the book Dracula, who stopped in the Whitby Abby. Dracula was a fictional book character written by Bram Stoker. Not all of it was fictional. Dracula was based on a man called Count Dracula (pronounced Count Drac-oo-lar). He was very cruel because he stuck his victims' heads on spikes. The blood sucking vampire part was fake. People did actually believe Dracula was real. At that point in life, people believed in vampires. By Emma W



Boat trips, pirate party
sea shanties, party
games and water balloon
fun!

Grinton Lodge



Grinton was super fun and with fun activities like fire making and shelter building.



We also went on a walk to Reeth which was 3 hours long! It was worth it. When we stopped it was about 15 minutes from Reeth we stopped at a park the group leader [who was called Paula] said why not and let us play in the park for 25 minutes it was a nice break when we stopped at Reeth for an ice cream and other things for a midnight feast. By Sam B



The perfect way to end the day

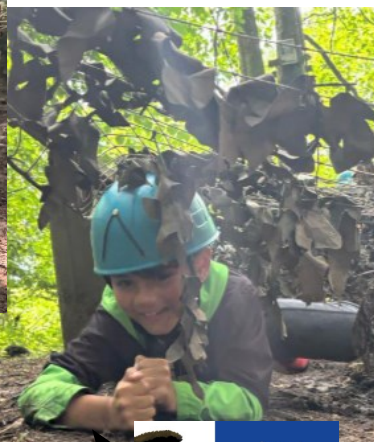


*Fire making, orienteering and gadget design, archery, hiking, rocket design and **MORE***



Lockerbie





Lockerbie Interviews

Interview With Mrs Wilson

How many times have you been to Lockerbie?

“About five times.”

What's your favourite activity?

“Canoeing or kayaking.”

Pupil Interviews

Zoe: “Lockerbie was really fun. I really enjoyed it we got a lot of freedom. In the breaks we got to do what ever we wanted...almost... We also had new opportunities like abseiling.”

Sophie: “I really liked how spacious all the rooms were and how we got free time, we had break between ac-

Lola: “I liked the activities along with the nice instructors, the rooms were comfortable.”

Sammy: “I liked everything!”

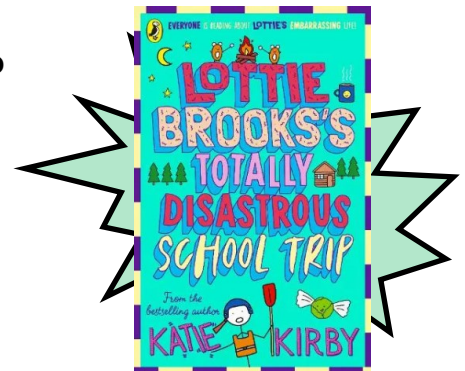
Edie: “My favourite activity was the obstacle course and kayaking.”

Lauren: “Lockerbie was amazing I liked kayaking and abseiling.”

Nell: “It was really fun my favourite activity was kayaking!!”

Eva: “I loved Lockerbie because there were loads of activities and they were all really fun!”

Elsie: “I really enjoyed all the activities and everyone was so friendly.”



Transition

At Gems for three days we had transition, the year groups all moved up to the next one, the current year four's moved up to year five and it was great they got to meet their new teachers and classmates. When I had transition I had a amazing time I went to year 6 in to Mr Robertson class I was with all my friends we played lots of games including squares and twenty plus one. In my class we also made poems and did a work sheet about our self so our teacher new more about us. Year 5's had buddies and we wrote letters to them and first break

on Wednesday we played with them and they asked us year 5's about Gems and we told them all about it.

By Sophie Craig



Year 8 Transition

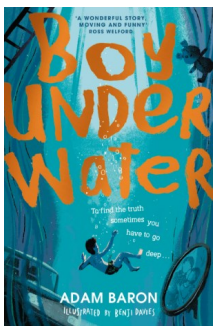
Year 8s visited their new schools on Wednesday 2nd July and Thursday 3rd July. There are 2 possible schools that most are going to apart from a few people who are not. The 2 schools are: Gosforth Academy and Great Park Academy. Across the year 9, in Gosforth Academy there are 20 classes (A-T). In Great Park there are about 5 classes. Melody said, "We got to meet all the teachers and make new friends. It helped us to adapt to the new high school." On the Friday, year 8 went to Flamingo Land.

By Millie A

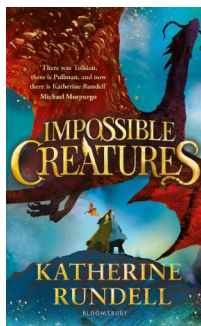
FlaMingO Land!

On the 4th of July, year 8 went to Flamingo Land! Everyone had a great time. There were many thrilling rides for the adrenaline junkies and more tamer rides for the light-hearted. We spent a whole day there, from 11:00 am until 04:00 pm. We got back about 06:00 pm. The third coach had a car bump into it on the way back! By Millie A

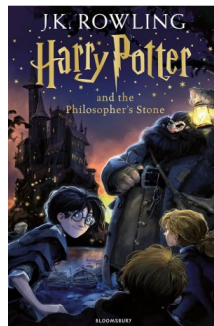
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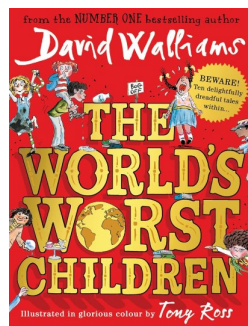
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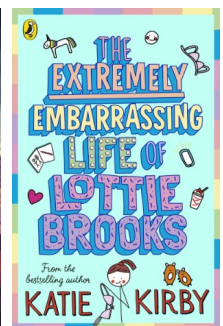
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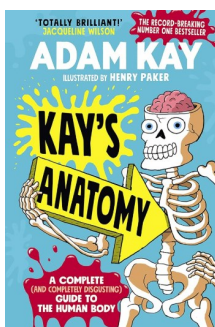
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Elsie B



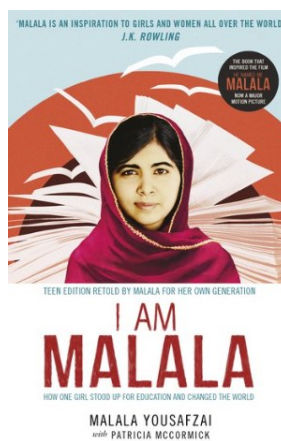
Nell L



Emma W



Elsie B



I am Malala is an amazing book full of her story of courage, inspiration and campaigning. This book is for people who are looking for a book that shows inspiring stories of women's rights for education. Malala's story is an amazing unique one that everyone should know and read about. I would recommend this book to year 7 and 8.

By Jocelyn Y8

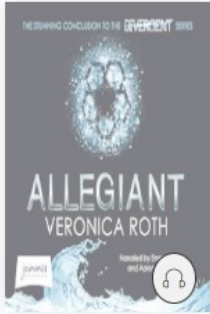


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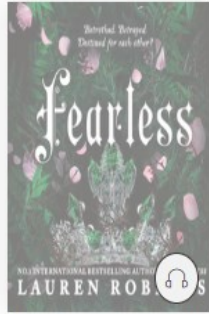
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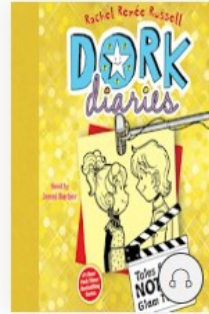
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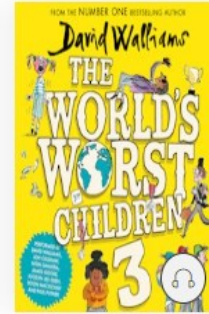
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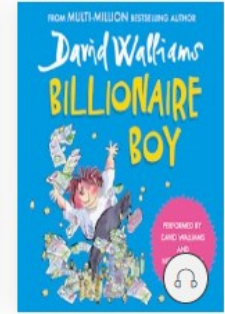
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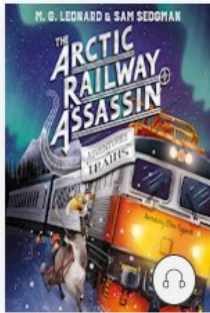
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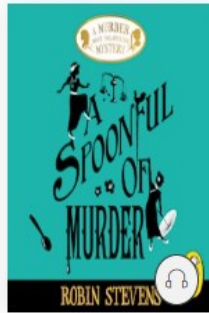
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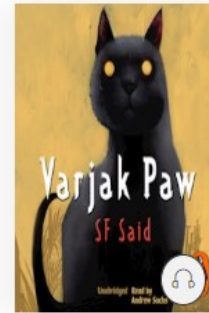
The Arctic Railway Assa...
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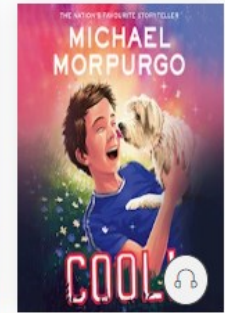
A Spoonful of Murder
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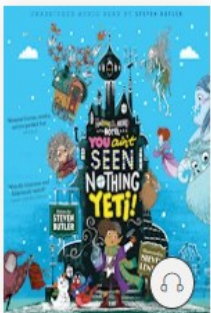
Secrets at the Cat Café
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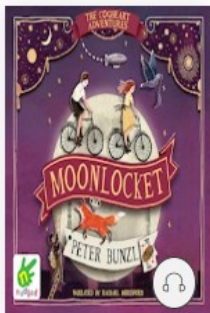
Varjak Paw
by SF Said
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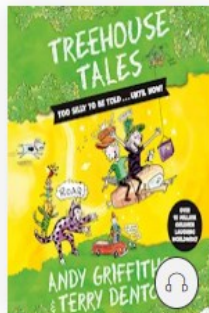
Cool!: A heartwarming s...
by Michael Morpurgo
★★★★★



You Ain't Seen Nothing ...
by Steven Butler
★★★★☆



Moonlocket
by Peter Bunzl
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Treehouse Tales: too SI...
by Andy Griffiths
★★★★★



Starfell: Willow Moss an...
by Dominique Valente
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The Witches
by Roald Dahl
★★★★★



Tilly and the Bookwand...
by Anna James
★★★★★

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WE NEEDED YOUR VOTE



Spark 2025 voting finally arrived in June. Voters picked one book in each category (7+, 9+, Non-fiction, 11+) and put a token in the corresponding voting box on the ground floor outside the library.

By Alex I 6ER



The votes were carefully counted by Sahib, Amaya and Anushka. We couldn't wait to share the results!

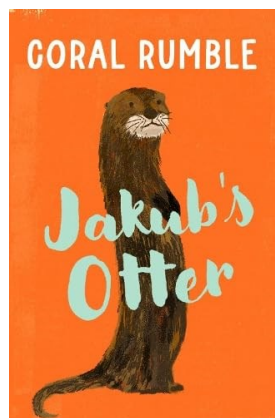
GEMS WINNERS

It has been a long time coming... but we can finally reveal the WINNERS of the Spark Book Awards! We'll start off with the winners of our school:

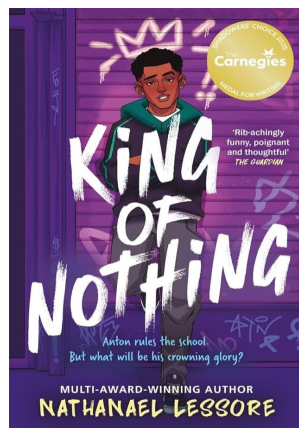
7+



9+



11+



Guest Category:

Non-fiction





THE AWARDS CEREMONY



We all tuned in to watch the Spark Book Awards Award Ceremony and finally find out who had won in each category as well as the competition winners!

Lily won for her cake which was inspired by the island from *The Secret of Golden Island* (photo to your right).



Golden Island (photo to your right).

We also were the **runner-up for the Spark School of the Year** (the big winners were Strand-on-the-Green). The guest category for Spark 6 will continue to be Non-Fiction. By Alex I 6ER

And here are the overall winners, announced on June 26th at the online Winner's Ceremony:



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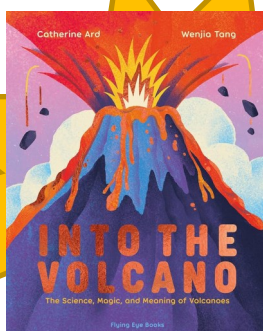


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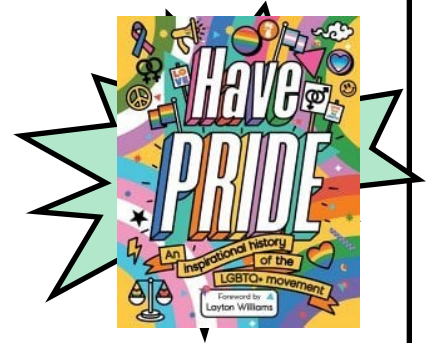
By Alex I 6ER

Pride Month

Pupils completed a Pride Month questionnaire in the library. Here are some of their amazing, thoughtful answers:

What is the message of Pride Month?

- *To be proud of who you are no matter what*
- *Being proud of who you are no matter who you are*
- *Love, equality, acceptance and respect*
- *Respecting people*
- *Everyone is equal*



Why do people still go on pride marches?

- *To show solidarity*
- *Because not everyone is treated equally still*

There are lots of interesting LGBTQ+ people dotted around the library. We asked pupils who they found most inspirational and why

- *Marsha P Johnson because we love her style, beauty and beauty on the inside.*
- *I like Sappho because she was a writer she was creative and she respected men and women . She was open to everyone's beliefs and she was inclusive . She was a poet. By Lola*

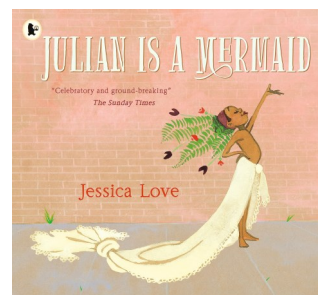
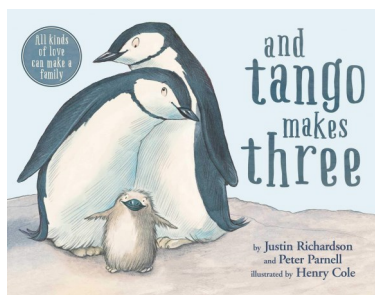
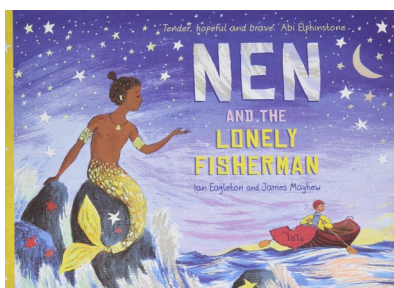


Miss Wilson delivered an interesting assembly at the start of the month. There are many different Pride flags, each representing different aspects of the LGBTQ+ community.

We learned about the rainbow flag and what each colour represents: **LIFE, HEALING, SUNLIGHT, NATURE, HARMONY** and **SPIRIT**.

Pupils have also explored the lives of LGBTQ+ pioneers who changed the world with their courage, intelligence and creativity. Sally Ride and Alan Turing were among the many inspirational people. These influential stories teach us the power of being true to ourselves and the importance of equality, respect and acceptance for all.

Throughout Pride Month, we read these books in Cosy Club and library lessons:



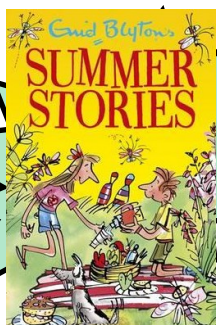
Top picks for KS2:



Top picks for KS3:



Summer Fair



On Monday 7th July, we bought in chocolate and because of this we got to wear non-school uniform. On Wednesday it was the summer fair so all the chocolate goes towards the school for the chocolate tombola. Thank you everyone who

attended our fair! We made **£1475** for the school and **more than £300** from the international food and henna which will go to the charity Walking With.

By Zoe 5GR

Sweet Success at School Bake-Off!

The scent of sugar, spice, and everything nice filled the air last week as six talented young bakers took to the kitchen in our annual School Bake-Off Competition. With aprons tied and whisks at the ready, the contestants wowed the judges with their culinary creativity and impressive skills.



Each of the six participants brought something unique to the table, we had dishes from all around the world from deliciously sticky pork to just as deliciously sticky toffee pudding. The standard was sky-high, with every dish showcasing not only technical ability but also a real passion for baking.

The panel of judges, made up of teachers, were left speechless by the quality of the entries. “We were absolutely blown away,” said Mr Stout. “The level of skill these children demonstrated was beyond anything we expected. Every single child could have come cooked something from a professional kitchen!” said Mr Adcock.

The event was celebrated in assembly with a round of applause, big smiles, and a very few crumbs left on the plates. It was a sweet reminder of the talent and teamwork that make our school community so special.

After much deliberation—and a lot of tasting—the judges crowned this year’s Bake-Off Champion, but emphasized that every participant was a winner. “It was nearly impossible to choose,” admitted Miss Wilson. Miss Jefferson oversaw the cooks during the competition and stated, “They should all be incredibly proud.”



Each child cooked an exceptional dish and the judges were incredibly impressed. Dominic (5NSK) chose a very simple chicken skewer starter but it was cooked to perfection; perfectly tender and full of flavour. Caitlyn's (6HT) chicken meatball dish was sublime with deep rich flavours and the addition of the seaweed really helped the dish. Judges left Lucy's (6HT) sticky toffee pudding plate clean, with a delicious home made panna cotta really was divine. Felix (8KJ) demonstrated an amazing knowledge of spice combinations and produced an amazing Butter chicken and Ophelia (7RCH) not only cooked the most amazing crumble Mr Stout had ever tasted but used home grown rhubarb as the filling; it really did make all the difference!



Our star baker was Dominic who not only created one amazing dish but the judges felt that both of his dishes were restaurant quality and they were treated to the most beautiful sticky pork starter, followed by a glorious Coconut Chicken with beautiful hints of lime that were infused throughout the dish. Not bad from a year 5 student, showing that age has no limits in the kitchen!

We hope to send out the recipes of all of the dishes in our final to parents so that you can cook them at home and enjoy the delicious treats that were offered during the final!



A massive well done to Dominic, Alex, Kaitlin, Lucy, Felix and Ophelia.

We look forward to seeing what you can produce next year.

Panathlon Finals

Oliver R, Nathaniel W, Imogen B, Tyra, Charlie S and Timur attended the finals at Gateshead Stadium on 23rd June. We did lots of different sports like basketball, bowls etc. We won against Percy Hedley, St Mary's, Sacred Heart and many other schools to gain the trophies! It was fun to get out of school and represent it too. By Oliver R



GEMS Alzheimer's Charity Bike Ride

Ronnie Stoak , Ethan Carthy, James Hutchinson, Mr Stout and Mr Yeoman rode around Kielder Reservoir twice over two days in aid of Alzheimer's. This is a cause dear to their hearts in that they know people who have had their lives changed living with the effects of the condition.



At night they camped (Mr Yeoman stayed in his camper van!) The boys raised a whopping **£1100**. Thank you everyone for your support.

Sports Day

On the 30th of June Gosforth East Middle School/GEMS had their own sports day we had many events including running, relay, obstacle course, long jump, high jump and tug of war. They were all fantastic and everyone enjoyed it. We have had a great day. By Sophie C



It was the best one yet! It went on in a 33 degree heat. It was very tough to do all of the events including : 60m, 200m ,400m, 100mx4 relay, obstacle, long jump , high jump and tug of war. By Sammy



Ransom Manor part 6- The finale

I'm homeless. Except I inherited a giant manor...

A few months later....

The brown quilt is embroidered with sparkling white doves. The walls are rotting but held a beautiful tanned façade, exactly like me. My eyes are cracking around the corners, my face is pale and drained of colour. My face is frozen in a permanent frown. I haunt these halls with my pained moans and scratchy footsteps. I am a shell of myself. This house really does something to you. One night, last week Grace's dad snuck into the house. He fled when he saw me. But not before muttering "The Hughes are back..." I didn't sleep that night, after all realising who you truly are is a phenomenon nobody should know. Who am I? I fell sick. It's probably another false alarm... I cry. I can feel them in me. I'm just a shell for them to eternally haunt our small village. Those scrolls I found in the manor earlier this year, they were incantations that could keep their terror in 'our pure blood'. I'm their great niece. So there is a pure of some sort.

Over the last few months my hair has turned from a chocolate brown to a platinum white. My vivid blue eyes are now on the brink of being black. The ONLY thing about being a host for your dead great uncle and auntie is that I got a cat! His name is Chester and he is a tortoise shell cat. But there are so many drawbacks, it's like two people constantly arguing in my head and it hurts like a red hot dagger driving through my ears.

By Millie A

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