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Nativity

Class 1 delivered a spectacular performance of "Baarmy Bethlehem" last week, charming audiences with their delightful nativity play. The young performers captivated everyone with their impressive ability to remember lines and actions, drawing admiration from not only the school community but also several Ashdon village residents who came to watch. Wow!!! The production was made even more special by the wonderful vocal support from Classes 2 and 3, who joined in with beautiful singing throughout the performance. The whole school community beamed with pride as these young stars brought the magic of the nativity story to life, creating a memorable Christmas celebration that showcased the children's confidence, talent and teamwork.



Thank You!!

Mrs. Clark
Mrs. Reynolds
Mrs. Allen
Mrs. Davies
Mrs. Bidwell
Mrs. McCormick
Miss Lester

All parents who helped to rehearse the lines and songs at home. Thanks to Mrs. Kilby for making some props for the Nativity Play.

thank you



The magic of pantomime came to Ashdon Primary this week as children were treated to a lively performance of "Beauty and the Beast." The show delivered plenty of laughs and entertainment, delighting children with its traditional panto style. The interactive performance had everyone thoroughly engaged, creating a joyful atmosphere that perfectly captured the festive spirit of the season.



Ashdon Christmas



Festive cheer filled the air at Ashdon Primary as children and staff gathered for their traditional Christmas Lunch celebration. Mrs. Henry and Mr. Cornell outdid themselves preparing a delicious feast that captured the spirit of a classic Christmas meal. The dining hall was transformed into a magical Christmas setting, thanks to the creative efforts of Mr. O'Sullivan, who worked alongside the enthusiastic Kidz Club members to create the perfect festive atmosphere. The collaborative spirit of the school community shone through, making it a truly special celebration that brought warmth and joy to everyone involved. Thank you all so-so much!

Christmas Film Night

Ashdon Primary's PTA treated our children to a magical evening at their Christmas Film Night this week. Young viewers snuggled up to enjoy "Arthur Christmas" while indulging in an array of special treats. The festive event was made extra special thanks to Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Thacker and Mrs. Henry, whose wonderful efforts ensured our little Ashdon Elves had a truly memorable Christmas celebration. Thank you so much!





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Church Carol Service



The children of Ashdon Primary School gathered for a heart-warming Christmas Carol Service at Ashdon Baptist Church, filling the historic building with festive joy and song. Reception class children brought the Nativity scene to life, adorably dressed as traditional characters and taking pride of place at the front of the church. Under the skilled accompaniment of Mrs. Clark on piano, the school choir and entire student body lifted their voices in celebration, performing beloved carols that echoed through the church. Reverend Brundritt led the service with warmth and grace, creating a memorable celebration that brought the whole school community together in the spirit of Christmas.



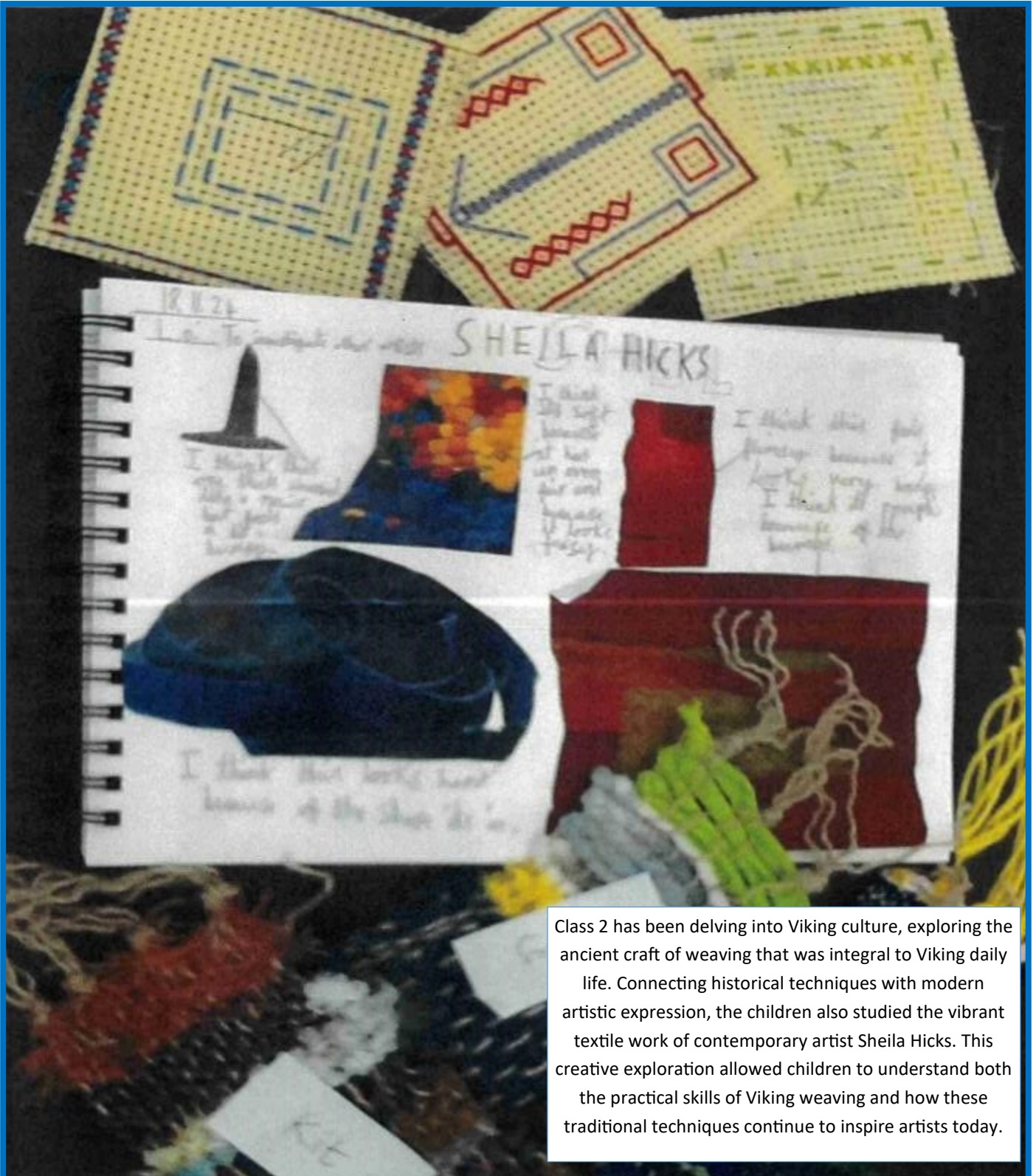
Ashdon Artists!



Class 1 have been getting into the Christmas spirit during their Art lesson this week by creating their own Christmas light display to give to a special person at home. Children experimented with chalk on black card forming different lines and shapes followed by a smudging technique to make it look like their lights are twinkling in the Christmas night sky! We were so impressed with your outcomes, Class 1!



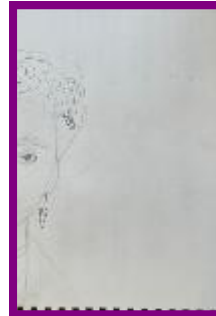
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Class 2 has been delving into Viking culture, exploring the ancient craft of weaving that was integral to Viking daily life. Connecting historical techniques with modern artistic expression, the children also studied the vibrant textile work of contemporary artist Sheila Hicks. This creative exploration allowed children to understand both the practical skills of Viking weaving and how these traditional techniques continue to inspire artists today.

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South American Art - Frida Kahlo



Children in Class 3 embarked on an enriching artistic journey, exploring two distinctive artists from different parts of the world. Their studies began with the iconic Mexican artist Frida Kahlo, delving into her fascinating life story and remarkable contributions to art. The children developed their observational skills through an innovative drawing technique, creating detailed sketches by drawing subjects upside down – a method that helped them focus on intricate details rather than familiar shapes. They then took it a few steps further and developed their painting techniques and painted a portrait of Frida.

Local Artist - Grayson Perry



The class then shifted their attention closer to home, studying the work of Turner Prize-winning artist Grayson Perry, who grew up locally in Chelmsford. Drawing inspiration from Perry's renowned ceramic work, the children tried their hands at pottery, crafting their own clay pots. These creative pieces are awaiting their final decorative touches when the children return after the Christmas break, promising to bring together the influences of both artists in their own unique way. The project beautifully connected global and local artistic influences, while helping the children develop various artistic techniques and appreciation for different cultural expressions in art.



Important News and Information:

- Monday 6th January - First Day of Spring Term 1
- Monday 6th January - Cricket lessons for all children in school (PLEASE REMEMBER P.E. KITS)
- Tuesday 7th January @ 08:15-09:00 Year 6 Booster Classes will start (This will be every week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays unless informed otherwise)
- Wednesday 8th January - Dance lessons start for all children
- Friday 10th January @ 09:15 - Celebration Assembly

Stars of the week!



Sport Stars of the Week!



Attendance Winners!

1

First Place - Class 1 = 93.9%

2

Second Place - Class 3 = 92.1%

3

Third Place - Class 2 = 87.8%

Well done Class 1. You are our weekly winners.

You have earned yourselves an extra 10 minutes playtime on Friday afternoon!

Reader of the Week

Children at Ashdon have two additional opportunities to read to staff. This is in addition to their guided reading sessions, as well as other reading opportunities in class. Ms. Winning and Mrs. Davies run these clubs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They had so many children who wanted to have additional reading sessions.

Here is the reader of the week:

