

# **SPEPS Newsletter**

Hi All,

A belated Happy New Year to you all. Although it seems like such a long time ago, I do hope you had a fantastic time with family and friends over the Christmas break. I hope you were able to find time to relax, recharge and refresh but then again with excited children, tinsel, glitter and late nights, you probably feel like to need an extra few weeks to recharge and relax.

Whist on the subject of Christmas (that now seems like a distant memory), I know that January can sometimes seem overwhelming for many different reasons. Whether that be a financial concern, as we all know Christmas is not cheap, whether it is emotional due to the pressures on families or due to dealing emotionally with the fact that some family members will not be present at Christmas time or whether due to the dark morning and nights– it all just feels a bit too much! Sometimes the build up to Christmas is so consuming that January can feel flat and depressing. Please do speak to us to see if we can help in any way. Sometimes just chatting to someone else can help sort things out or we can usually sign post you to external support that is available to people. Sadly, January and February tend to be the hardest months to get through so please don't try to do so alone if you are struggling.

Well what a way to start the year with a snow day. Thank you so much for your understanding. This time due to advanced weather warning we were able to prepare and warn you of the possibility of a closure. We are always mindful that a lot of parents are working parents and therefore need to make childcare arrangements when school is not open. We never shut school without trying to address every eventuality, however safety of staff (some like me who travel a long distance to school) and safety of parents and children will always be the deciding factor. Let's hope that is the last of the snow for this year.

I am thrilled to share that over December the whole school had all the lights replaced with LED lights which are more cost effective and more importantly environmentally friendly. With climate change at the forefront of everyone's agenda, it is with my fingers firmly crossed that we are hoping that during February we will be having solar panels fitted to our school roof ,to again reduce the utility costs to school. Sharley Park really is a leader in climate consideration.

Finally it is with delight that I am able to share the news that following on from the success of Teddy in school, we now have a second school therapy dog in school. Bear has just started his training and like Teddy, will take approx. 10 months to be fully trained and working with children. Each week I will update you with the work that Teddy and Bear are undertaking in school.

Have a super weekend

Mrs S xx



## **Teddy News!**

Have you heard, I have a baby brother he is called Bear and I have a very important job in teaching him how to be a therapy and reading dog at SP. Mummy says I am doing a great job, although I do struggle a bit at the minute when he wants to play with my toys. This week I have been most afternoons with the little people. Mon-Thurs I work with some of the children 1:1. In February I will be staying in classrooms during the morning but I also have my down time in Mummy's office.

Love Teddy xx

# **Believe, Courage, Achieve**

# SPECPS Newsletter

## Golden Book & Learning Behaviours 9th January 2026

Year 2— Charly & Jaxon  
LB— Mia Mae and  
Katy

Year 6— Alex  
LB— Lawson

Year 5 - Kane & Callie  
LB - Honey & Frankie

Year 1— Mary-Grace &  
Joey  
LB— Isaiah & Luke



Year 4— Alice & Scarlet  
LB - Leonardo & Jacob

EYFS -  
LB -

Year 3 - Devlin  
LB - Harper

## Hi, I am Bear



Hi my name is Bear, I am a 13 week old, black Maltipoo who lives with Mrs Stevenson (aka Mummy) and Teddy (aka my big brother)

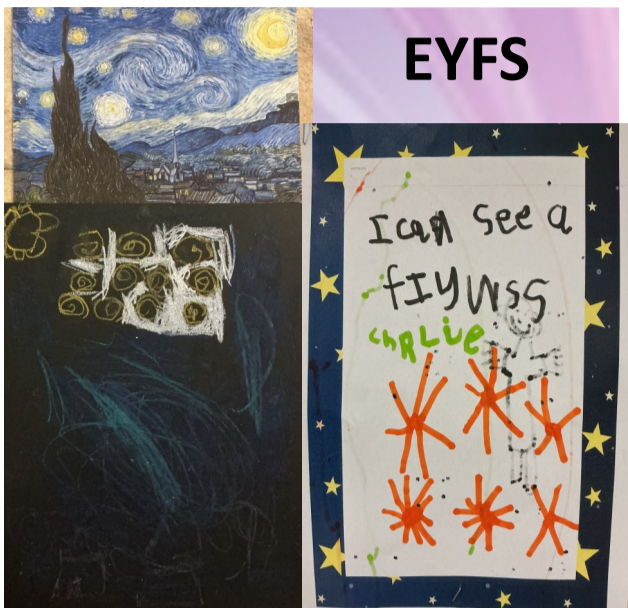
Everything is new to me and I am in socialisation training at the moment. Mummy is making sure that I am in a safe environment but at the same time hearing and seeing all the things that are Sharley Park. At times it seems very busy and noisy but I am loving it so far. Mummy has a special pen in her office for me and I tend to sleep a lot. I am working very hard on my 'sit' and 'here' commands so Mummy and Teddy are very proud of me. I will share updates with you as often as Teddy allows me to share his news space.

Love Bear xx

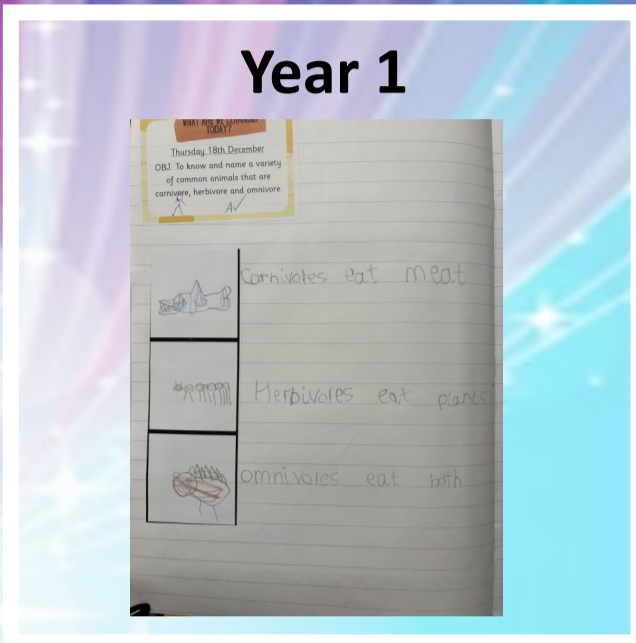
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Our fabulous work—9th January 2026

## EYFS



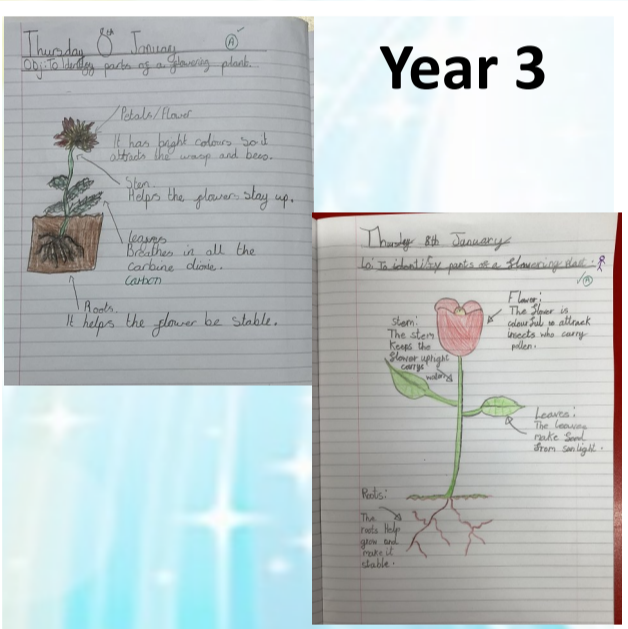
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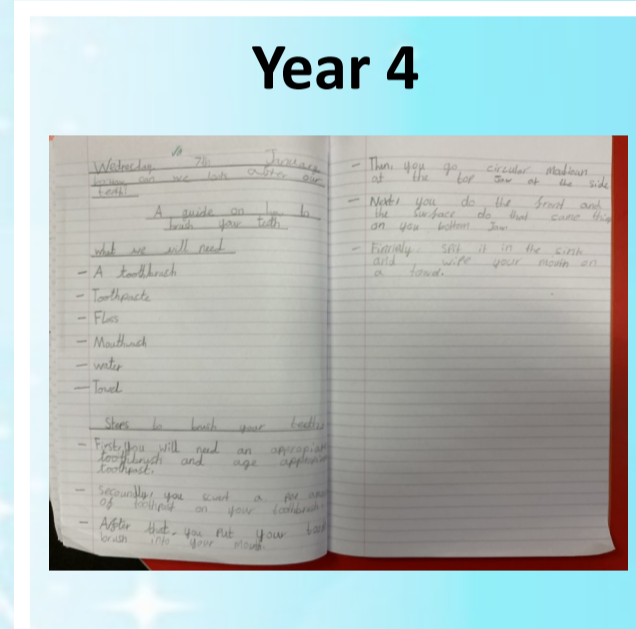
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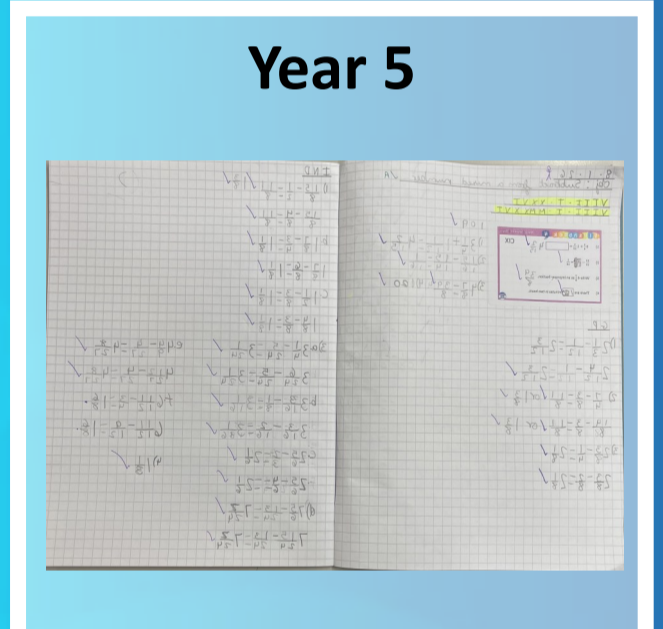
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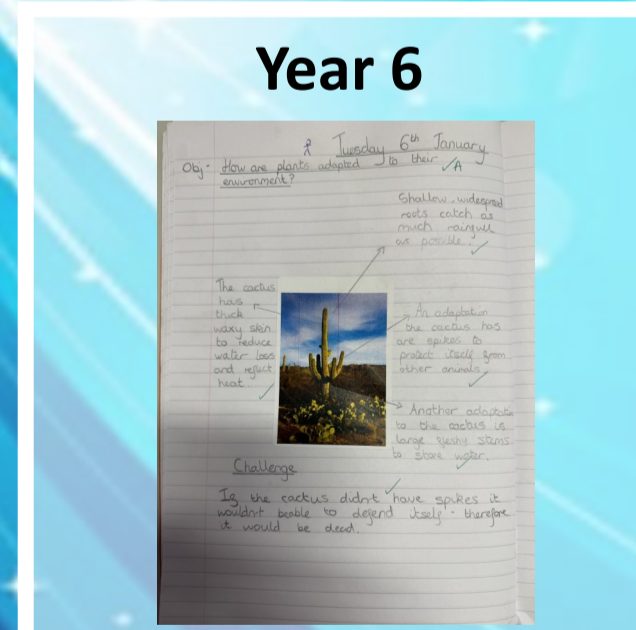
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## Year 5



## Year 6

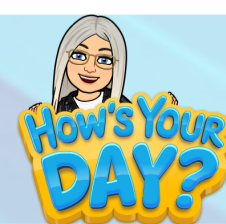


Lots of Love  
Mrs Stevenson  
Head Teacher xx



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Mrs French  
Deputy Head Teacher

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## Golden Book & Learning Behaviours

Year 2— Charly & Pat  
LB— Eden & Amaiah

Year 6— Bohdan & Luca  
LB— Thomas & Kelly  
Nurture—

Year 5 - Olly & Oliver  
LB - Lillie & Aria

Year 1— Sophie &  
Dominic  
LB— Luke & Ella



Year 4— Harry & Scar-  
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LB - Ren & Jacob

EYFS - Harleigh &  
Micha  
LB - Avery & Jude

Year 3 - Dominik & Kay-  
den  
LB - Lily & Harper

## Reminders and Dates for the diary ...

21.1.26—Y4 Saxon/Viking Day

26.1.26— INSET day— Training Day for staff. School closed for children

29.1.26— Sports event Y3 Dolphin Class

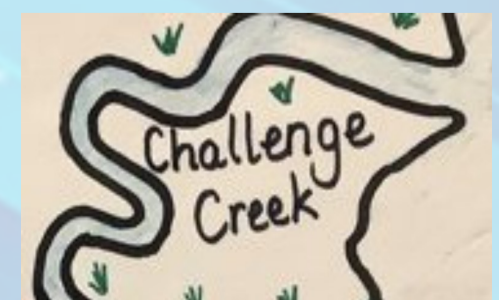
5.2.26— 5year old's dental screening



## The Journey Curriculum

Each week in school we will focus on an area of our Journey Curriculum Map—staff will ensure this is a focus in lessons and children will be asked about their understanding of it across the week. Our focus next week is...

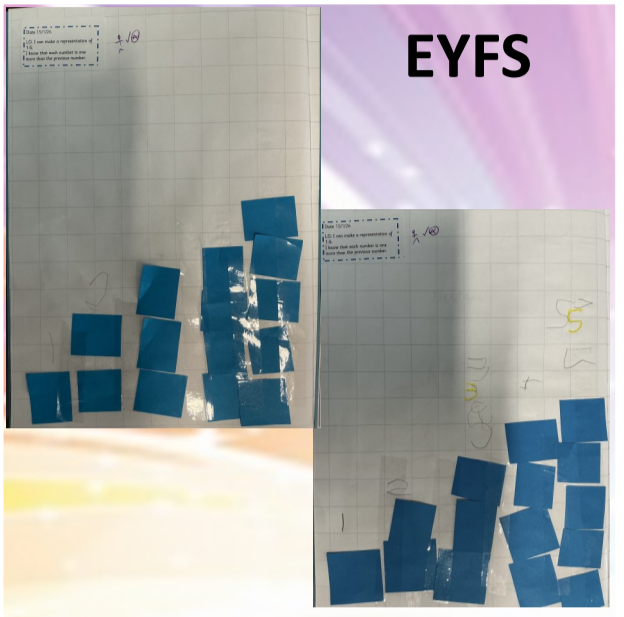
**Challenge Creek** ..



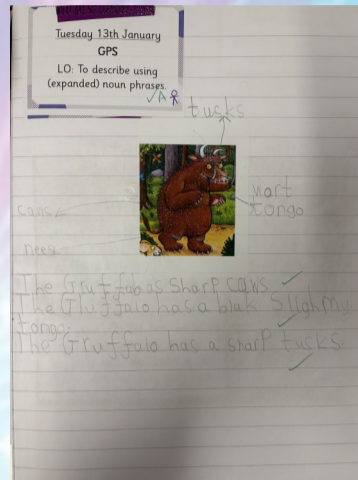
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## Our fabulous work

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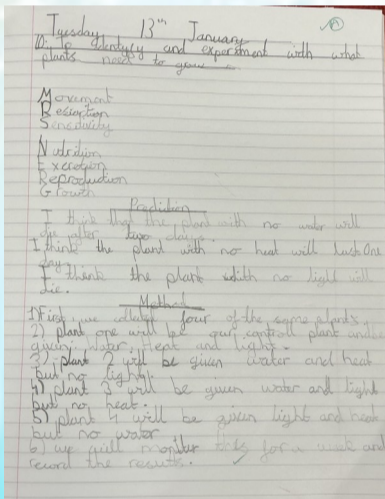
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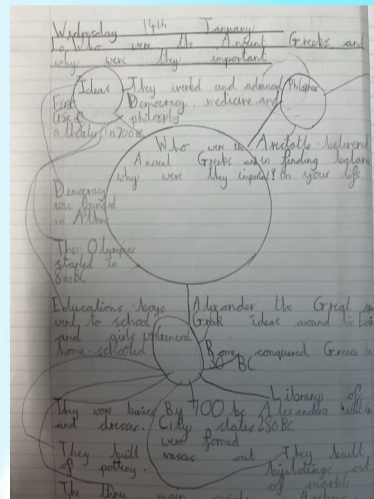
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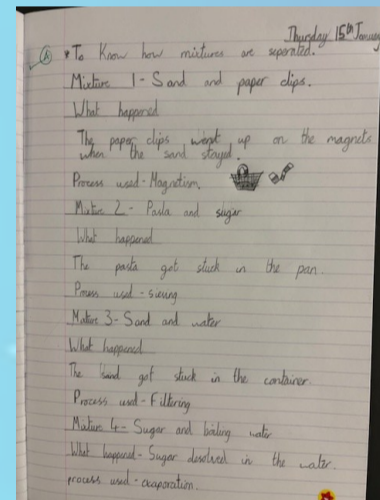
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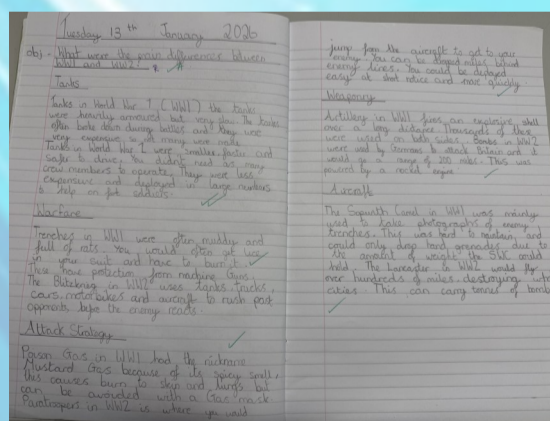
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