



# THE FRIDAY FOCUS



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The fortnightly Friday Focus is the chance for every class at Clavering to share their learning with the Clavering School community. This is a great opportunity to find out what each year group has been up to and engage in conversations around learning.

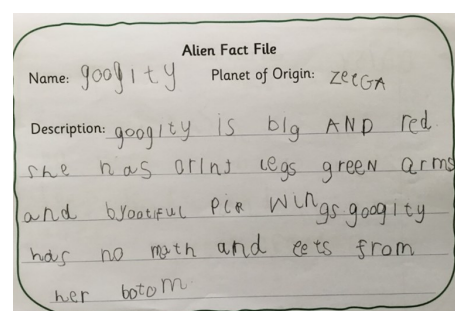
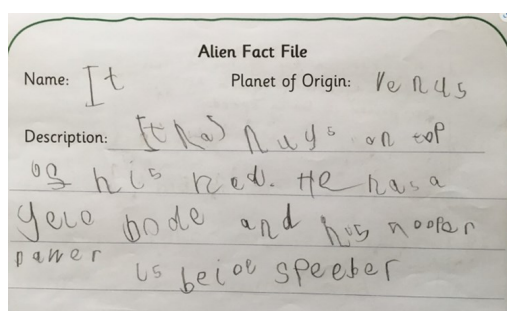
## RECEPTION

We have been enjoying our new Space topic hearing lots of stories set in space and reading a range of exciting non-fiction books too.

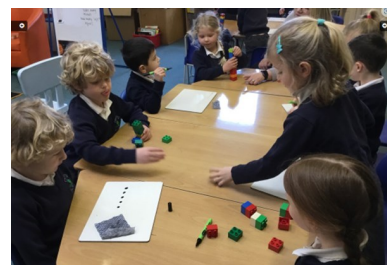
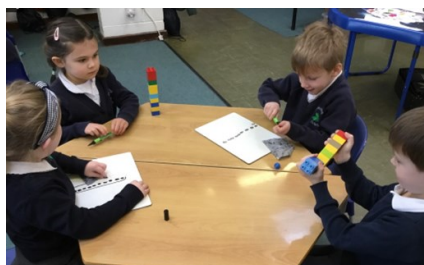
We explored two stories about aliens and were inspired by the illustrations in Here Come the Aliens By Colin McNaughton to design our own aliens. The children drew them first by hand then used the sketch app on the iPads to edit and add detail to their first ideas.



After this, they all created a name, planet of origin and a description of their alien. Our focus in writing at the moment is to use our phonics to spell words and to leave spaces between our words to help the reader!

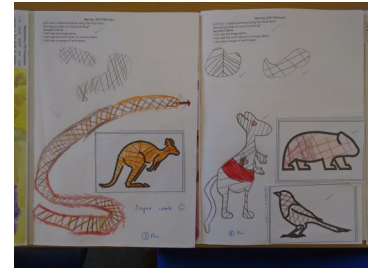
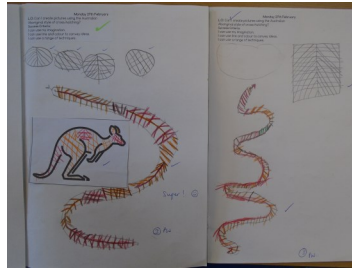
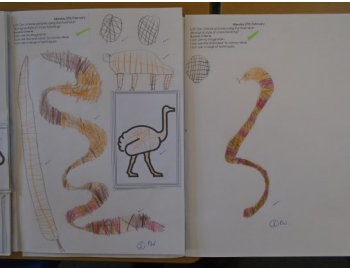


In Maths we have been enjoying lots of practical work to experience subtraction, taking objects away resulting in a much smaller number. We played a game in teams. We had a tower of ten bricks, then we rolled the die and had to take the bricks away. It was great fun.



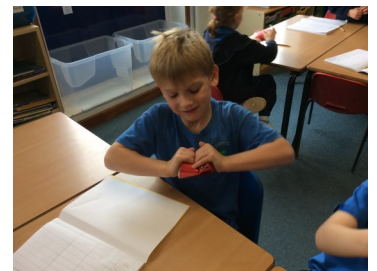
## CLASS 1

In Class 1 we have begun to learn about Aboriginal art. We looked at different examples paying close attention to the colours used and the different techniques. We then tried to draw our own aboriginal animals using the technique of cross hatching. After trying the technique, we added colour to our animals.



## CLASS 2

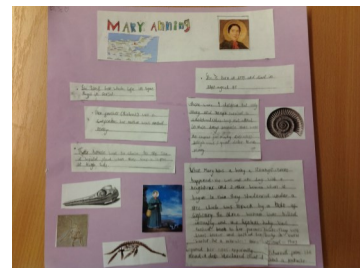
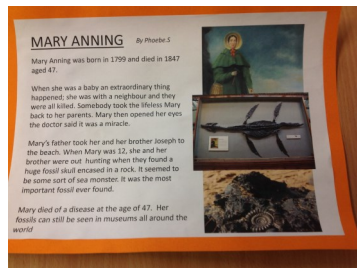
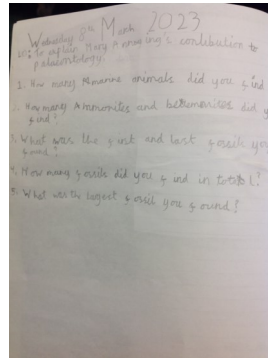
In Class 2, for Science, we have continued our topic of 'Materials'. Last week the children predicted whether we could squash, bend, twist and stretch a selection of materials. This week the children tested the materials to find out whether they could and if their predictions were correct. The children tested a drinks can, pipe cleaner, Lego, sock, elastic band, plastic pot, a towel, sponge and a hair clip.





## CLASS 3

In Science we have been learning about fossils. For homework the children researched the work of Mary Anning and created fantastic posters to share their facts. In class we wrote questions for Mary and then participated in a drama activity where we took it in turns to 'hot seat' Mary and answer each other's questions.



## CLASS 4

In Art, we have been sketching and painting replicas of Andy Warhol's painting of Vesuvius - the famous volcano which destroyed the city of Pompeii. We discussed whether we wanted to use warm colours or cool colours and what emotions we wanted to create in our painting.

