



Friday 24th May 2024



Upton upon Severn CofE Primary, pre school and Riverboats SureStart Children's Centre, working together to support the local community



Our School Vision is to offer inspiration to young lives 'Anything is possible, we can all succeed'

Providing enriching experiences to foster aspiration 'To inspire ... To aspire'

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13)

Bible Quote 2 Chronicles 15:7

"But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded."

At the beginning of worship on Monday, Mrs Moroni talked about the celebration of Pentecost last Sunday. The children remembered the story of the Disciples being filled with the Holy Spirit when a gust of wind and fire descended on their heads. She explained that the disciples could speak many different languages and were filled with courage to tell the story of Jesus to many people they met. The children were encouraged to persevere like the Disciples did this week in all their learning.

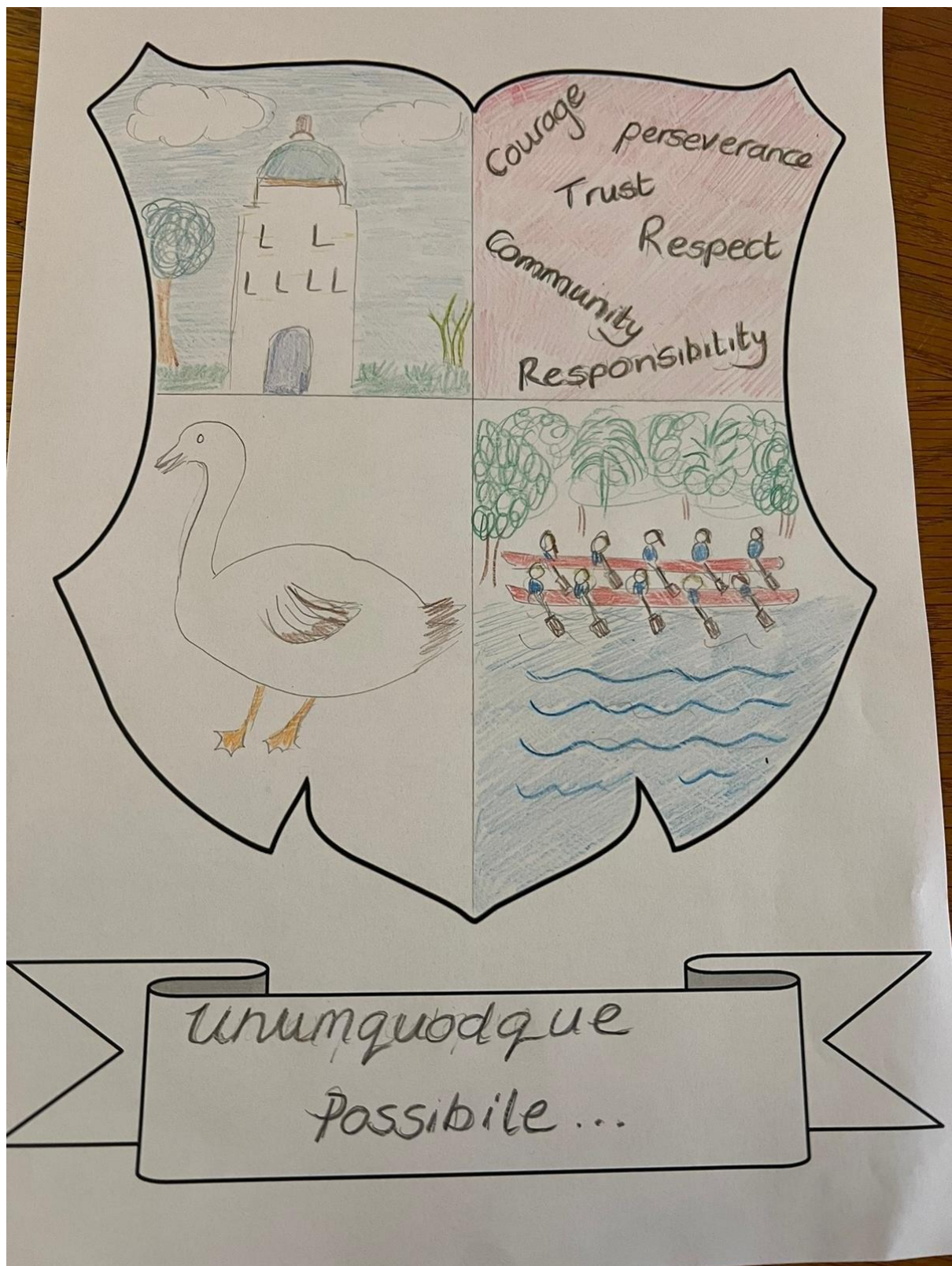
Reception and KS1 have also been learning about Pentecost in their singing worship and surprised Miss Gillson with their knowledge.

"Some Christians call Pentecost the Birthday of the Church"

"The Holy Spirit came down like fire"

"The disciples could speak in different languages"

Year 6 residential St. Briavel's Castle



On Monday our year 6 class set off on their journey down to St Briavels Castle in South Gloucestershire. This castle is a very special place and one of the few castles in the UK that still have their own roof! On arrival the children set to work designing their own coat of arms which is seen here with our vision written in Latin. In the 3 days away the children took part in many exciting and

varied activities such as fencing, archery, bread making and candle dipping but the most important feature of this trip was the fact that the children were away from home for two nights with their class friends. This supports them in developing independence and gives them opportunities to demonstrate their increased maturity. The children behaved impeccably showing resilience, perseverance and a huge sense of adventure. The YHA leaders commented on what a lovely group of children they were and how much they had enjoyed their visit. We finished the trip with a spooky tour of the castle where we found out all about the ghosts! Fortunately they were absent during our visit.









Pictures and write up



1 - Hanley Voices

On Saturday night, our choir took part in the Hanley Voices concert which was held at the High School. Songs of the Sea was a wonderful compilation of music. The opportunity for the children to

perform with the adult choir is a wonderful experience for them and a unique learning opportunity. John Holloway, the Church organist and our choir pianist worked with us in 2015 and wrote a special set of songs for our children based around the River Severn. These songs are very special to our school and to hear them sung by our children almost 10 years later was very moving. The children performed brilliantly and we had many compliments on how wonderful they were. One came from Carole, the choir's former pianist:

'We loved listening to the children's choir. They had a lot to learn and delivered each item with such confidence and commitment - a great tribute to Kate's training.

John's charming composition was so fitting for youngsters growing up by such a river.

What an evening!'

Year 5 Rounders Success



On Tuesday, ten Year 5 children took part in a competitive Year 5/6 rounders tournament at Hanley Castle High School. Upton played against, amongst others, the Kempsey Kangaroos and the Hanley Swan Hawks. We started off really strongly and won our first two matches. The third match was a close one with the Hanley Swan Hawks winning by just one rounder. Despite this, we had already achieved enough to put us into the final with the Kempsey Kangaroos. It was so exciting! Both teams were playing to win, with consistently clever fielding and strong batting from the Upton team. The

final result...WE WON! The children showed great sportsmanship and incredible determination to succeed. They worked wonderfully as a team and should all feel very proud of themselves. Thank you to Hanley Castle High School for hosting such a great event.

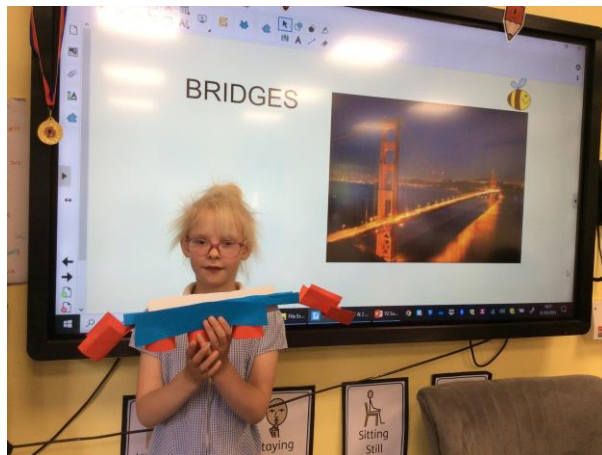
Class 2



Class 2's Art project, 'Being architects', came to end this week when they persevered and had courage to build their bridges. They spent a long time mastering the joining techniques so they could be successful and we are pleased to say that we had some superb bridges at the end of the afternoon!

"I loved using lots of different materials"

"I loved making my design come to life"





Class 5



In our Science lessons this week, we have focused on the factors relating to air resistance. As a class we constructed our glider models and then assessed where we felt adding extra weight would be beneficial and also where it would be detrimental. Out on the playground we tested our predictions, which was both great fun, but also prompted excellent scientific language.

"I feel that adding weights here would make my plane have balance, allowing it to gain more air resistance"

"Adding weights to the back of the balance was not effective, in a normal plane the weight has to be equally distributed I think we need to do this"





Mrs Jennifer Rowberry



Today, we said goodbye to our wonderful lunchtime supervisor, Mrs Jennifer Rowberry. Jen has been with the school for nearly 5 years and has really made the role her own. We wish her all the best in her new role at Hanley High school.

Young Voices, New Visions



26 MAY - 23 JUNE 2024

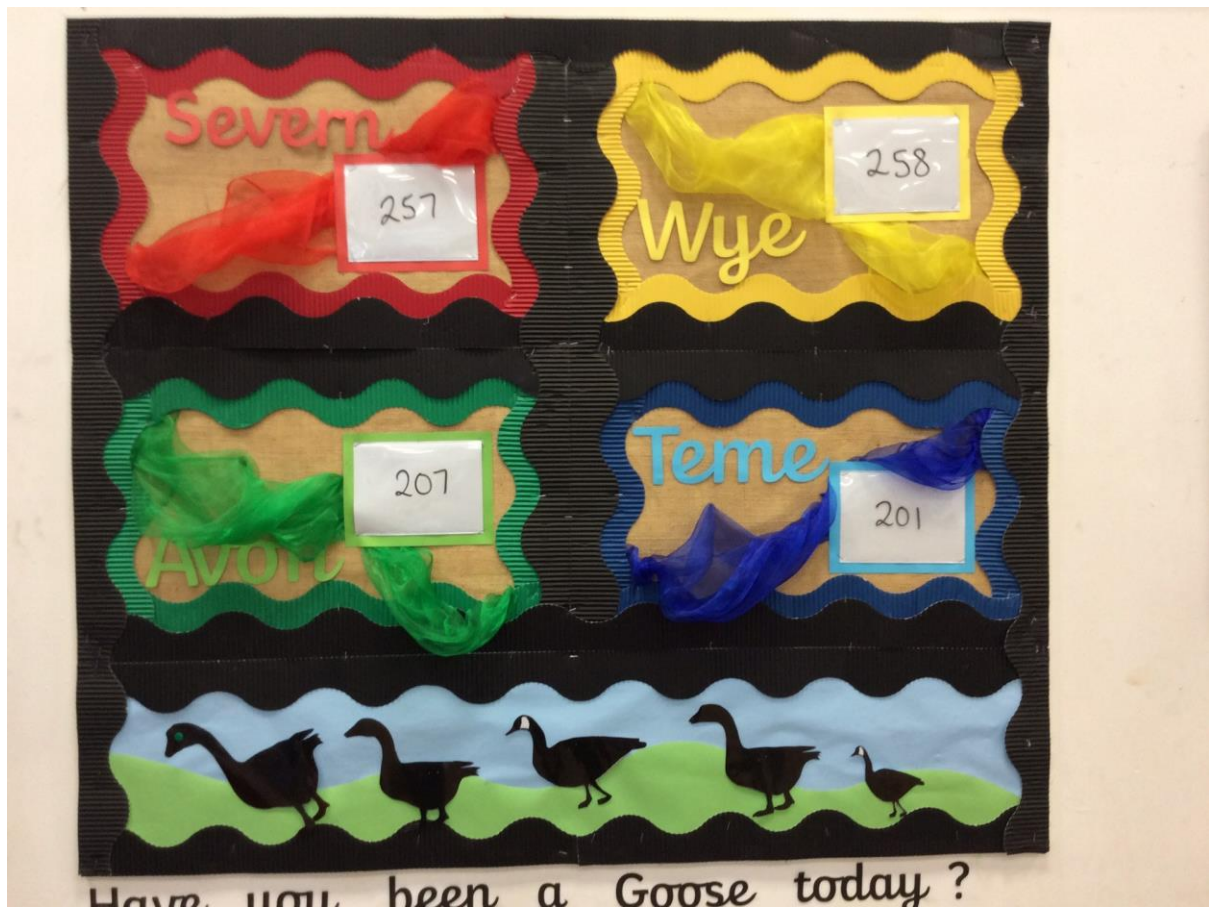
The Young Voices New Visions exhibition will, this year, include collaborative artwork from children at Upton, inspired by our recent curlew assembly and visit to the Ham.

Young Voices New Visions is an annual exhibition by Severn Arts showcasing the artistic talent of children and young people from across Worcestershire. This year it includes work from 53 local schools and 6 community groups, all responding to the theme 'The Sky Above Us and the World Beneath our Feet.'

Alongside the exhibition, there will be an exciting opportunity to be involved in a free drop-in creative arts workshop for all with Sarah Edwards, Spare Room Arts, taking place on Tuesday 28 May, 10:30am-3pm in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral. Workshop participants will help make a giant collaborative piece of artwork that will be hung in one of the Cathedral windows. Workshop artist, Sarah, has said that this year's inspiration is the natural world because 'there is nothing more inspiring and beautiful than nature.'

The exhibition, managed by Severn Arts and funded by Worcestershire County Council, will be open to visitors from Sunday 26 May to Sunday 23 June, during normal Cathedral visiting hours (10am-5pm Monday-Saturday and 1-3pm Sundays). Admission is free, with donations welcomed.

Team Points



Working as part of a team is very important to us at school and the way we set the team points demonstrates this aspect well. This week's team points have been collated. Well done everybody for contributing to the grand total. You have all been working hard to show our school values.

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KEY STAGE 1&2
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

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