

## This week in school...

The eagle-eyed amongst you will have noticed our lovely new display at the front of school. We have been inspired by Steve Anton's picture book and every child in the school has created their own version of The Queen's Hat. You can see them all displayed in the windows at the front of school and along the front yard fence.

On Monday, Steve Antony did a draw-along on YouTube to demonstrate how he creates some of his illustrations. You can watch again during the holidays by following this link...

#### Steve Antony Draw-along



## celebrating the Queen's Jubilee? If you are doing something during

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the half term holiday, we would love you to share it with us via School Dojo. Perhaps you are joining a street party, putting up decorations or spending time with friends and family. Send us your pictures and we will add them to our jubilee display in the library. And of course... bonus points if it involves books!

How are you



The Queen's Wardrobe: The Story of Queen Elizabeth II and her Clothes

Author: Julia Golding Illustrator: Kate Hindley

AVAILABLE IN OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY NOW! what's going on in class?

This week **Year 4** have been sharing their Judaism projects which were so interesting. We have also been reading a non chronological report about the Queen to identify features of this genre of writing. Finally we have read the story of **Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dream coat** and listened to the songs from the musical!

This week, in **Year 3**, we have continued our class reader called **'A Mummy Ate My Homework!'** by Thiago De Moraes. In our English lessons we have continued to read an active learn text called **'Was Tutankhamen Killed?'** in preparation for our written work.

This week **Nursery** have shared a familiar story, **'The Very Hungry Caterpillar**'. Our focus was looking at the life cycle of the butterfly. We have learnt the song' There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf' song. We have also enjoyed the story of the **'Queen's Hat '**and loved singing our 'Happy Jubilee Song'.

Year 5 have been reading instructional texts this week as part of their scientific investigation about properties of materials.

Year 6 read a non-chronological report about Queen Elizabeth II this week. They used the example text to research, draft, edit and type up their own non-chronological reports about the coronation. They enjoyed watching original film footage of the celebrations 70 years ago and were interested in the formality of the ceremony. They used lots of the formal and technical language in their own writing.

**Reception** have finished their growing topic this week by reading **Grandpa's Garden** written by Stella Fry. They have focused on fruit and vegetables that we can grow to eat. They have made some healthy vegetable muffins, followed up by writing their own set of instructions. The children have also enjoyed listening to **The Queen's Hat** by Steve Antony, learning and preparing for the Platinum Jubilee.

Year 2 enjoyed orienteering around school to find the characters from 'The Queen's Hat' as part of our Queens Jubilee activities.



# Half Term Reading Fun

### Seven Stories in Newcastle - Jubilee Celebrations at Seven Stories: The Queen's Knickers

A fabulous fun-filled session celebrating a wonderfully funny tale all about the Queen's Knickers.

This session is designed for children aged 7+ with an interactive story time and knicker-making activity - this will be a celebration to remember!

### Newcastle's digitised story trail at Leazes Park

The story trail is aimed at children aged two to five and is based on a bespoke story about superheroes, written by children's author Rebecca Lewis-Oakes and illustrated by Aaron Cushley.

The trail leads families around the park as they follow the adventures of Uncle Josh, Mia, Kai and their dog Scruffy. The trail is interactive and immersive for the little ones, aiding their language and literacy development as they follow the story around the lake.