

Meerkat Mail

Y1/2

Summer 1



Our Stunning Start



To introduce our new topic Meerkat Mail, we went to the hall to guess the partially hidden safari animals.

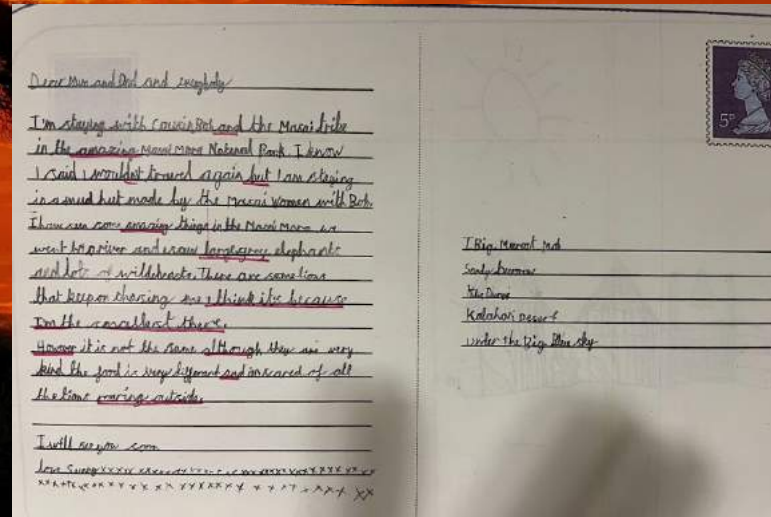
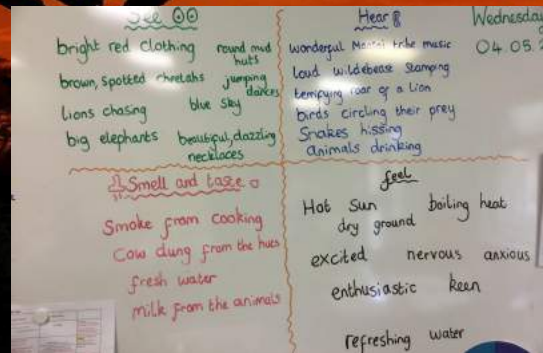
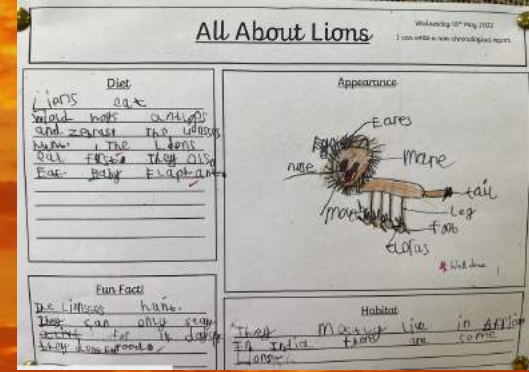
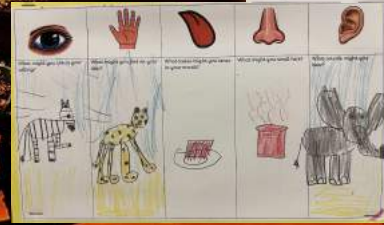


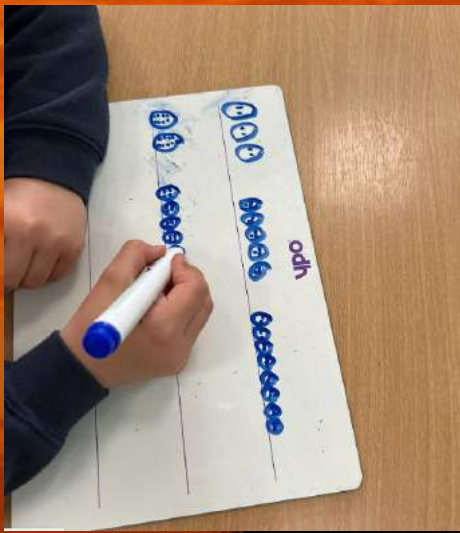
We enjoyed painting silhouette safari pictures using water colours to decorate our classrooms and cloakroom!



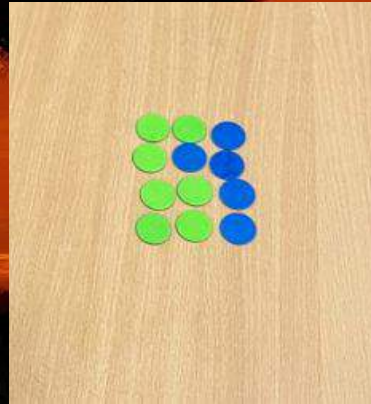
In our English lessons we have been reading 'Meerkat Mail'.

We wrote our own postcard from Sunny. He visited the Maasai Mara! We used our senses to decide what things Sunny would see, touch, taste, smell and hear to help plan our postcard.

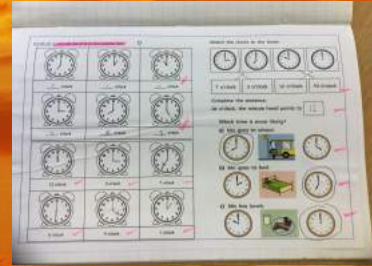
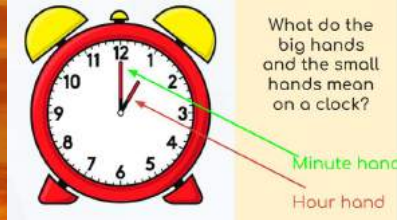




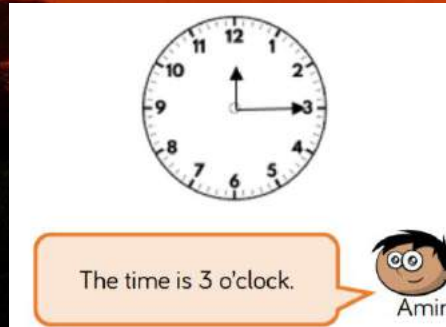
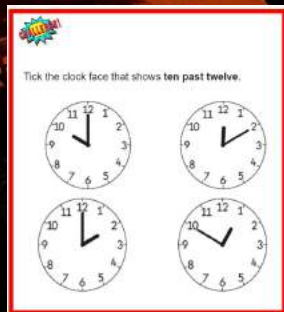
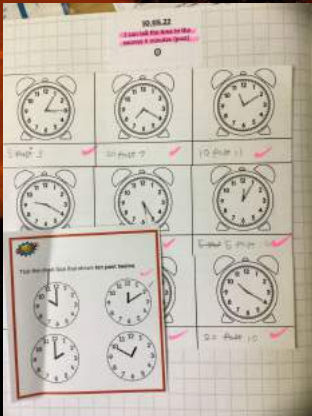
In Y1 maths, we have been learning to make arrays to help us with our multiplication. We have also been learning about division.



In Y2 maths, we have been learning to tell the time.
We made our own clocks and used them to help us.



We used our reasoning skills to explain our answers to different questions.

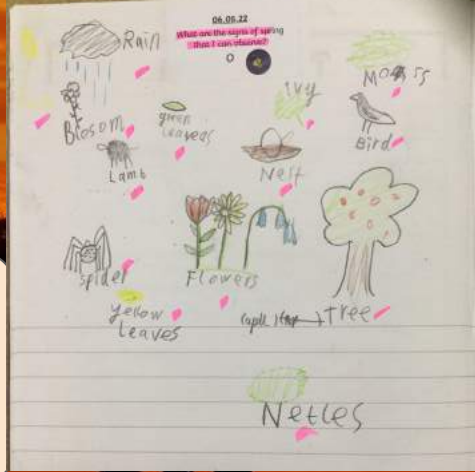


We learnt about human and physical features in Kenya. We also learnt about the Maasai Mara and the Maasai tribe which live there.

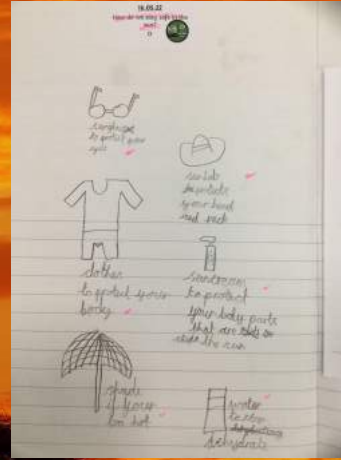
In science we have been looking at the seasons.



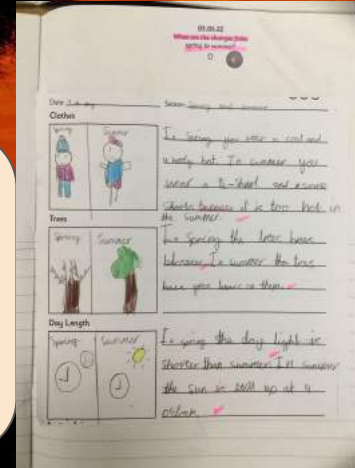
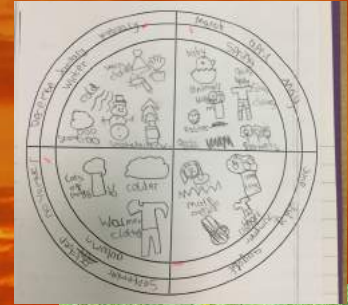
We went on a walk to look for the different signs of spring



In Science we have been looking at the signs of Spring and Summer. We have been looking at changes in plants and animals the weather, temperature and daylight.



We have also looked at how to stay safe in the summer sun.





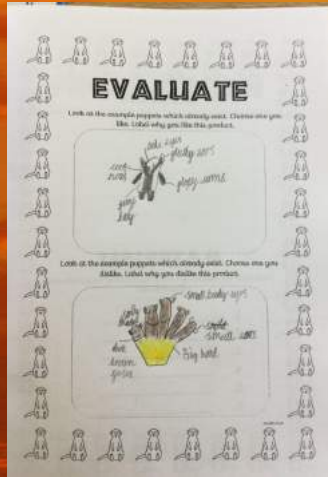
In art, we have been learning to make African masks.



We have linked them to the artist Picasso. The children have been practising their modelling skills using play dough and plasticine. We are excited to see the masks they make and paint after half term.



We have loved learning to sew in DT this half term.



This is a **marionette**.
Marionettes are controlled by strings.
This marionette is made from wood.

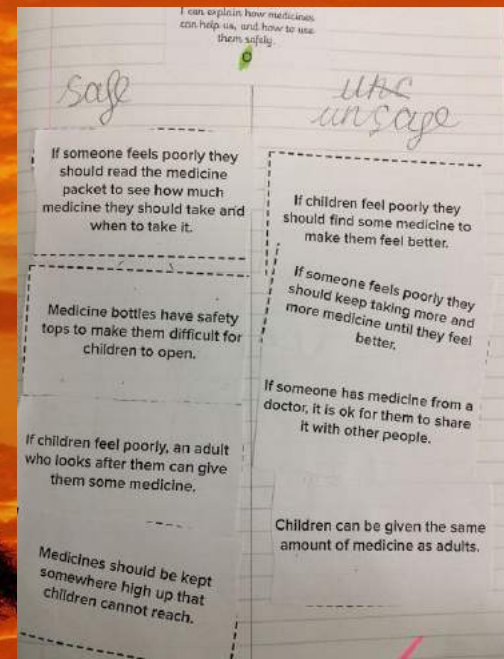
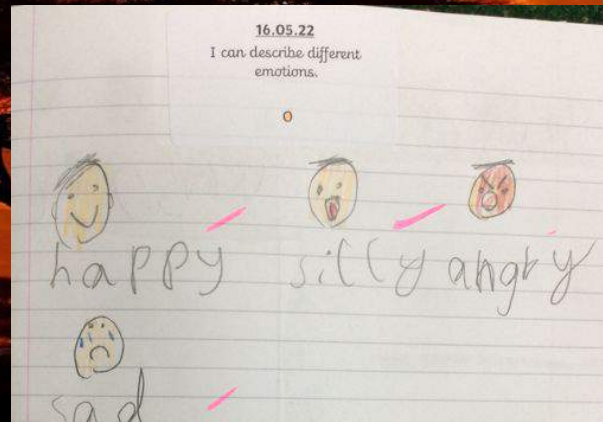
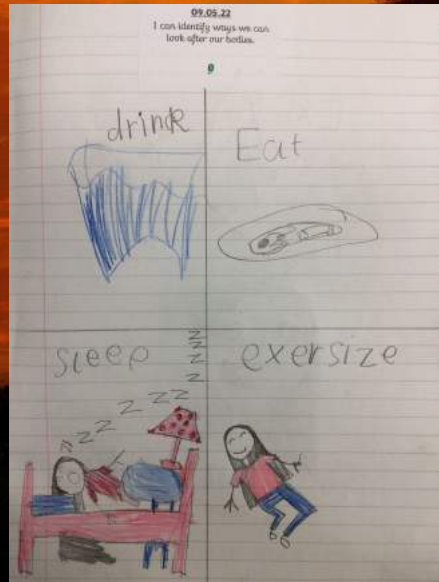


This is a **sock puppet**.
What are they made of?
Socks, of course! This sock puppet has buttons for eyes and wool for hair. It is moved by someone's hand.

We evaluated existing products and then designed our very own meerkat hand puppet. We had to use great concentration to sew them.



In RHE, we have been exploring how to stay healthy, both physically and mentally.



I want you to think of a time that someone has done something not nice to you. It might be they've not let you choose what game to play.

How did you feel?

In RE this half term we have been looking at the good news Jesus brings to Christians.



1. Peace inside

Peace in our own hearts. Think about last lesson and what we can think of to make us feel calm and peaceful inside.

Imagine you are sat somewhere calm, peaceful and beautiful. Here is some inspiration:

2. Peace with other people

How does saying sorry and forgiveness bring peace?



3. Peace in the world

In some places in the world, countries are at war with one another. This is very frightening for the people living in those countries.

Imagine what a peaceful world would look like. People would not have to fight each other and everyone would feel safe.



If we can make our class and our school peaceful, think about how we could help to make the world peaceful.

4. Peace with God

Jesus says that God forgives people if they are sorry. Can you remember how Christians might say sorry?



We've looked at friendship, forgiveness and peace and how Jesus taught about these.



We have loved learning more about the Queen. To celebrate her platinum jubilee, we created our own crowns.



We had a trip to Askham Bryan Wildlife Park where we saw lots of animals.

