

Year 5

On 24th June, Year 5 were lucky enough to visit the Harlow Synagogue with Mrs Hendry and Mrs Hoskin. Firstly, Mrs Hendry took the register to see if we had a full house and for our luck we did! Mrs Hendry trusted us to sit with who we liked so that meant on the coach we had a jolly good laugh.

After 10-15 minutes of fun on the coach we finally got to the one and only Harlow Synagogue. To our surprise the synagogue looked like a little school on the outside but it wasn't. We met a fine young woman called Sheryl she was our fantastic instructor for the morning.

When Sheryl invited us in, we all took a seat. After everyone settled down she started to talk about different objects that Jews use on special occasions. She told us

about sacred scrolls what are used in the synagogue for prayers. The ancient scrolls are kept in a special cupboard called the ark. There are two different candles; the smaller one has seven branches, it is called a Menorah, there's also a bigger candle with nine branches. It is called a Chanukiah and is only used for a special celebration called Chanukkah. There was another candle called the everlasting candle that hangs above the ark.

After talking about the interesting objects around, Sheryl gave us a quiz to do in groups. We answered lots of questions, but the one that was really challenging was when we had to count how many stars of David there were in the synagogue. You wouldn't believe how many we found, some people found almost 1,000! We also learnt what the Ten Commandments were.



We really enjoyed our trip to the synagogue and our favourite part was seeing the lady read one of the oldest scrolls. We hope we can visit it again!

By Lilly-Ann and Annaliese

Year 6



As 28 excited children arrived at Overstrand Hall for our Year 6 school residential trip, we couldn't wait to be shown around the site and make our own beds! Our dorm was called Cabbie; we were split into 7 rooms and had to keep them very tidy if we wanted to win room points – we soon learnt that getting to sleep early and making tea for the teachers helped too!

We were split into two groups (Q&R) to do our activities. We had many different activities such as the leap of faith, high equilibrium, laser, nightline, mini Olympics and many more. One of our favourite activities was the leap of faith, which is a 10-metre pole with a wooden slab at the top that we had to jump from onto a trapeze – this challenged some of us!

We also enjoyed laser, a game similar to quasar but outdoors in a forest and had some lovely sing-songs around the campfire with hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows.

We had the most amazing week spending quality time with our friends and were sad to leave although we were happy to see our families when we arrived back at

Mandeville.

Memories that will last forever!

By Jamie and Amelia



Summer Term Events

NSPCC

This term we were visited by representatives from the NSPCC who led an assembly about how to stay safe and how to get help if we have any worries. We decided to take part in 'Buddy's Big Workout' challenge to raise money for this important charity. In total, Mandeville raised a very impressive £1,098.33! We really enjoyed taking part and know that that money raised will make a significant difference to the NSPCC's work in preventing abuse and providing support.



Mandefest

Mandefest took place on 3rd July and everyone who came had a fantastic time. We really enjoyed the games, crafts, face painting, refreshments and live music. A big thank you to 'The Friends of Mandeville PTA' for all their hard work which resulted in an impressive profit of £3589.22!



Summer Concert

Lots of pupils performed in our Summer Concert, which took place on 4th July. A wide variety of instruments were played, including the fife, violin, piano, accordion and guitar! The audience was very impressed with our performances.

Open Afternoon

Our parents/carers came to our Open Afternoon on 6th July. They really enjoyed seeing our work from throughout the year and celebrating all of our achievements and successes. The Mayor of Sawbridgeworth, Mr David Royle, also attended the event.

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Mandeville Primary Link-Up

Welcome to the thirty third edition of the Mandeville Primary Link Up magazine!

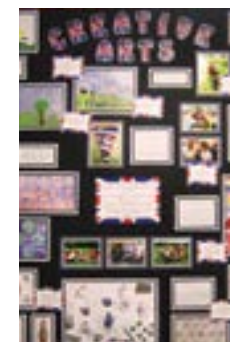
This magazine is produced by the children of Mandeville Primary School to inform the local community of the work of the school and to share successes.

Creative Arts Week

This year's Creative Arts Week at Mandeville was inspired by Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday, so it had a British theme!

Every class selected a British artist and worked in their style.

Nursery: Nursery looked at Jonathon Knight, who was an animal sculptor. They also visited Paradise Wildlife Park; they had such a great time and came back to school to paint their favourite animal.



Reception: Reception created paper line sculptures, with brightly coloured tissue paper stuck on black card. They also looked at Andy Goldsworthy and made land sculptures.

Key Stage 1: Key Stage 1 looked at the style of William Turner and painted landscapes. Year 1 Rivers and Maltings looked at colour mixing whilst Year 2 looked at changing tones. Year 1 made British inspired bunting and took part in a drama based on Peter Pan. They made pom-poms, which they used to create a Union Jack.

They also took part in a Maypole and Morris dancing workshops.

Year 3: Year 3 explored printing in the style of William Morris. They had to carve their design onto a polystyrene tile using a pencil. After that, they rolled on paint and turned the tile onto paper.

Year 4: Year 4 were inspired by Banksy and did the 'layers of London'. The layers are; first a background with London landmarks, then a layer with a brick wall showing Banksy style graffiti and finally a printed row of famous London objects like taxis and telephone boxes.

Year 5: Year 5 explored the work of Beatrix Potter. First of all they sketched her characters and then coloured them in using watercolour pencils. Soon after, they sketched their own animals that stood on two feet, with clothes from the 1980's. For the 3rd part of their project they sketched our own old fashion scene. Then they went in the ICT Suite and printed off flowers and garden tools. To complete their picture they stuck their flowers and Beatrix Potter characters down.

Year 6: Year 6 mainly focused on their play 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies' which was a huge success! However, they also found time to look at the London shop Liberties, where they focused on different textile prints.

"We made snail shells using stones. I enjoyed making the sculptures because I really like making things." (Holly, Reception)

"I enjoyed making the flags because we coloured them in and then stuck them on a stick." (Joseph, Year 1)

"I really enjoyed copying Turner's paintings using watercolours and other paints." (Maisie, Year 2)

"I liked learning about William Morris. The artwork was very hard but a lot of fun too." (Joel, Year 3)

"I enjoyed looking at Banksy's work and making a brick wall and using graffiti to decorate it." (Hector, Year 4)

"It was brilliant sketching animals just like Beatrix Potter and creating our own one." (William, Year 5)

"We made Liberty prints just like a shop in London!" (Liberty, Year 6)

We all really enjoyed Creative Arts Week and on Friday, to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, we all had scones with jam and cream on the school field. It was a week to remember!

By Teddy and Jack

Early Years Foundation Stage

A man brought the chicks to school. He put them in the incubator. A shell cracked open after one day. We watched it open. The chick was wet and tired. Then more chicks hatched. After four days six chicks hatched and three didn't. We had two black chicks, one ginger one and three yellow ones.

We drew pictures of the chicks and read books about the chicks. We moved the chicks to the brooder. They were nervous to start with but after a few days were very noisy and kept jumping. We liked holding them and letting them run around but they did poo on the floor!

We were sad when they went back to the farm.

Shared writing by Reception

Year 1

Maltings

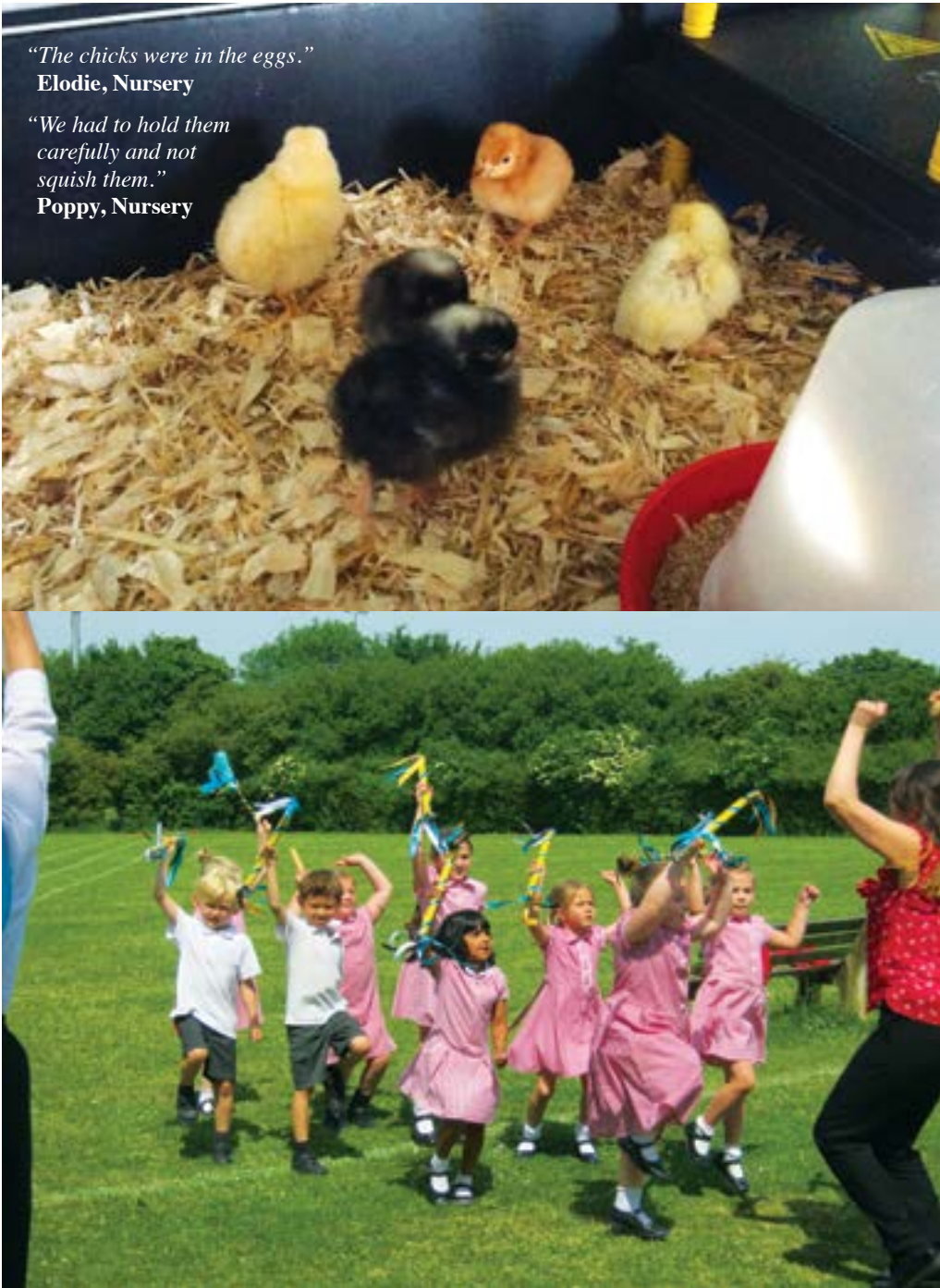
During Creative Arts Week, Year 1 had a visit from a group of Morris dancers and a Maypole dancer.

Morris Dancing is an English country dance like Maypole Dancing. Morris dancers have thick sticks and bells to make sounds. We had to shake the bells and skip and jump. We learned that Morris dancers have different costumes in different parts of the country. Maypole dancing is different because Maypole dancers use ribbons.

We had to work with a partner. Girls had to work with boys. We had to wrap the ribbons around the pole. First we skipped left, then we skipped right to unwrap the ribbons. We learned that Maypole dancing is danced on the first day of spring.

We had a brilliant time!

Shared writing



"The chicks were in the eggs."
Elodie, Nursery
"We had to hold them carefully and not squish them."
Poppy, Nursery

Rivers

On Wednesday 11th May, we went on a school trip to Paradise Wildlife Park. First we got on to a clean, black coach. I sat next to Harrison and Greta I felt a bit bored on the coach.

Soon we were there and we put on our paper orange bands. Then we went to the Jungle Theatre. I found out that polar bears don't eat penguins. Next we went to see the powerful white tiger. It was Kit's favourite! Next we went to see the flesh-biting wolves. I liked them best.

After that we had yummy bananas for snack although I had an apple instead. We went to see the meerkats and the coati mundi. The meerkats were fast. There was

only one coati mundi in the cage and I thought it was lonely.

Then we went back to the Jungle Theatre to learn about camouflage. It means that something is the same colour as its background. Then we had lunch and I had chocolate gems and a Frube.

After lunch we went to see the grumpy camel. It was smelly and big! We went to see the zebra and it was the first time that I had seen one. Finally, we went home.

It was incredible!

By Max

Year 2

On Thursday 23rd June, Year Two went to Mersea Island. We got to school early and then we got on the coach. It was a long



journey to Mersea Island. It took about an hour. Everyone felt extremely excited.

We had our milk and a carrot for snack. Next we went to the woods to pick a good quality stick for a flag that we were going to make later on.

After that we picked yellow, green, red and purple flowers which we rubbed onto some material that we used for a flag. I designed a picture of the sun, some flowers and the grass.

A little while later we went to the beach to make a sandcastle. My group designed

a castle with lots of shells and we put the flags on top. It looked amazing!

Then we went to eat lunch, mine was very tasty. My mum packed me a delicious gold bar, a drink and some cheese sandwiches.

After lunch we went paddling on the beach. The water felt nice because it had been a hot day. Then we went back to the coach and travelled back to school.

What a great time Year Two had!

By Henry C

Year 3

On Monday 27th June, all of us in Year 3 had to wake up really early as we were going to Birchwood Games and had to be at school by 8am! Since we received the invitation to attend, we had been imagining a great day learning new sports!

Birchwood is a secondary school in Bishop's Stortford with lots of sports facilities and they had invited local schools



to participate in the games. We travelled on a big, orange coach with a friendly driver called Gary and arrived in good time.

We were divided into two groups of 15, with each group taking part in three different, very exciting activities, each led by an experienced coach. Group 1, our group, had a go at Cheerleading, Danish Long Ball and Hockey, whilst Group 2 did Judo, Parkour and Mini Squash. We were curious to find out what these unusual sports were.

Cheerleading was first for us. We were taught a routine that included stunts, gymnastics and dance. We had to concentrate hard to remember our routine, so we could perform to all the schools at the end. Charlotte enjoyed Cheerleading the most. Next we did Hockey and practised ball control and took turns shooting goals

from different positions. This improved our game and we got better at dribbling and passing the ball to our team, as well as scoring!

Our third and final activity was Danish Long Ball, which was new to us. It included elements of kick rounders and dodgeball. We cooperated with St Michael's School and took turns to kick the ball and cheered each other on. It was a tricky game but we didn't give up and had a brilliant game! Danish Long Ball was William's favourite.

All of Year 3 came back happy, tired and proud of ourselves. We used all of our learning powers that day and had a fantastic time enjoying all the new sports. Can you spot all the learning powers we used?

By William and Charlotte

Year 4

Year 4 went on a school trip to Colchester Zoo. We left school at 8:45am and arrived at 10:30am. Alfie and I were in Mrs B-P's group. First we went to the Amazon walk through; we saw the golden lion tamarin. Then we saw the sloth and he was curled up in

a ball shape. We walked on a little bit and we saw the orang-utan itching its armpit. It said that the baby orang-utans were upstairs but they weren't in their enclosure so we went to the see the green iguana and the enormous tortoises, one fell down the hill!

Then we all went round and saw the small Komodo dragon. Next we went to see the butterflies; they were mostly orange and brown. After that, we saw a leopard and everyone spotted the teddy on his house. Also there was a giant anteater and next to the glass enclosure was the crocodile. There was a bird room and whilst we were walking around the room Miss Braund was holding a piece of paper over her head so that one didn't land on her head because a boy had a bird on his head.

After a few minutes, we had lunch and there were a lot of crows flying around us. Some people got a bit scared. After lunch we fed the giraffes with a branch before going to see the ostriches and rhinos. We each had a photo taken in a giant tortoise shell and kangaroo's pouch.

It was the best trip ever!

By Gemma and Alfie

