



## SHIVERING SHACKLETON

Monday's assembly focussed on the superpower **STRONG**, celebrating the efforts of staff and children – in particular Millie M (4LW) who returned to school with her arm in plaster, following an operation. The conversation then moved on to teamwork and the importance of knowing when to help and when to be helped.

The story of Sir Ernest Shackleton was celebrated as the embodiment of **STRONG**, as he successfully led his team, surviving 2 years on an ice shelf eating penguins and seals. He then took 5 men and rowed (in a very small wooden boat) 800 miles and crossed miles of icy terrain on foot to find help. All 28 men returned home safely and in good spirits! What a guy, what resilience, what determination and what strength.

Mr Miller

## CONGRATULATIONS....

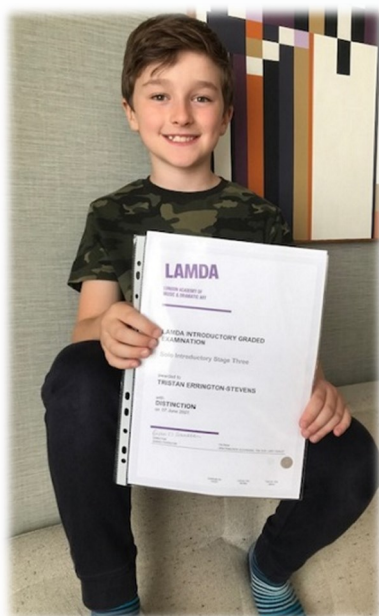
.... to avid *Doodlers*, Kush P (3S) Zuri P (6W) and Om P (3S). Here they are, proudly showing off their *Doodle Maths & English Summer Challenge* certificates and badges:



Well done all of you - that's Doodletastic!

## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Tristan E-S (4AW) who recently scored a wonderful 94% in his LAMDA *Solo Introductory Stage Three* exam. He is now ready for the next challenge!



Well done, Tristan - what a great result!

## THE PEOPLE'S KITCHEN

We are collecting food donations for *The People's Kitchen* again and we would be grateful for any donations (please avoid sending in fresh produce). The collection bin can be found in the Brandling House reception area.

Thank you.

Mrs Wall



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

### MANY HAPPY RETURNS....

.... to Xanthe D, Jason L, Reuben C, Imogen H, Simmi N, Kush P, Om P, Sophia B, Ellie D, Jake D, Eleanor Q, Alister C, Maryam A, Elizabeth O'G, Mina J-L, Zachary V B, Sebastian F, Henry B, Aodhan D, Simran T, Emma B, Vihaan J, Sophia C, Saptarshi B, Yash N, Lucas C, Annabel M, Alex D, James T, Amelia R, Lucas M, Anna F, Daylan D-W, Matilda P, Kaiah B and Joseph J who all celebrate birthday this month.

ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY!



## POSITIVITY IN CLASS 6N!

6N have been working hard as a class team to achieve 100 Acts of Positivity throughout the Autumn term. Over the weekend, Thomas C baked two glorious cakes for his classmates and teachers to enjoy. Not only did it help 6N maintain their strength during a tricky comprehension lesson, but Thomas's act of kindness sent ripples of positivity throughout 6N on a rather rainy Monday morning!

Thank you, Thomas!



Miss Noble (and Class 6N)

## CONGRATULATIONS....



.... to Hebo W (5B) who completed the *Drama Geeks Summer School 2021* in Sunderland. In the final show, he acted brilliantly as the narrator. He also wrote a play script called *Robert Servant* and one act was performed on stage in the final show, with him performing the master.

Well done, Hebo - what an amazing experience!

## CONGRATULATIONS....

.... to Tristan S (6L) who has worked tirelessly to complete the four 4s challenge to make 100. His determination and problem solving have been showcased in this task!



Top work Tristan  
- keep on puzzling!



## LOST PROPERTY

Jake M (6N) has lost his named blazer - please can we all keep a look-out for it.

Thank you.



## THREE GOOD THINGS

After a busy day, it can often help children to pause and take stock. Children learning to recognise the good in each day can help to boost their happiness and reduce the negative feelings that can sometimes linger.

Trying the 'Three Good Things' exercise below with your children can help with this and it only takes a few minutes.

- 1) Before they go to sleep, talk about three things that went well/made them smile that day;
- 2) Talk about why those things went well/made you smile;
- 3) If you want to, you can write them down.

After just a week, this should help to boost happiness and reduce negative feelings (I hear it works for parents too so why not give it a go as a family?!)

Mrs Wall





## CLASS TOKENS COMPETITION

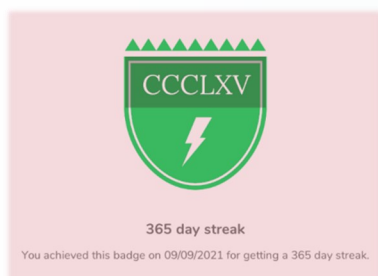


A **BIG** well done to 6W who won the *Class Tokens Competition* last week. Here's a photo of some of them just finishing off their well-deserved breakfast:



Mrs Cree

## CONGRATULATIONS....



.... to Oorja C (4LW) who recently achieved a 365 day streak in **Doodle**.

Well done Oorja - keep on Doodling!

## GREAT GEOGRAPHERS

Our intrepid Y3 geographers have spent the last couple of weeks learning fascinating facts about some of the countries in Asia and are producing beautiful pictures of the Taj Mahal and Petra. Floating in the Dead Sea sounded a very relaxing way to spend time!



Mrs Stairmand



## MATHS PUZZLE OF THE WEEK



### Last week's Puzzle Solution:

#### TIC TAC TOE – ANSWER

How'd you get on with last week's puzzle?

2	5	9	9	4	3	5	9	1
7	6	4	2	6	8	4	6	3
1	3	8	1	5	7	7	2	8

### This week's Puzzle:

Here's a few of the magnetic spheres I have in my collection.



I actually have twenty different sized magnets altogether (the smallest has a radius of 1cm, the largest has a radius of 20cm with the others taking every integer radius in between).

It's possible to stack any combination of them as long as you arrange them in size order with smaller magnets on the top.

I'd like you to find me at least two ways to stack as many magnets as you like so that the volume of the bottom magnet is equal to the total volume of the magnets you've stacked on top of it!

Please submit your answer, along with any of your own, real-life puzzles (and answers!), to me:

[t.lloyd@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk](mailto:t.lloyd@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk)

Thank you.

Mr Lloyd

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## OFFICIAL 2021 PROMPT LIST

- |             |             |                |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1. CRYSTAL  | 11. SOUR    | 21. FUZZY      |
| 2. SUIT     | 12. STUCK   | 22. OPEN       |
| 3. VESSEL   | 13. ROOF    | 23. LEAK       |
| 4. KNOT     | 14. TICK    | 24. EXTINGUISH |
| 5. RAVEN    | 15. HELMET  | 25. SPLAT      |
| 6. SPIRIT   | 16. COMPASS | 26. CONNECT    |
| 7. FAN      | 17. COLLIDE | 27. SPARK      |
| 8. WATCH    | 18. MOON    | 28. CRISPY     |
| 9. PRESSURE | 19. LOOP    | 29. PATCH      |
| 10. PICK    | 20. SPROUT  | 30. SLITHER    |
|             |             | 31. RISK       |

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### Inktober rules:

- 1) Make a drawing in ink (you can do a pencil under-drawing if you want).
- 2) Post it—email it to Miss Noble (m.noble@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk)
- 3) Repeat

*Note: you can do it daily, or go the half-marathon route and draw every other day, or just do the 5K and draw once a week. What ever you decide, just be consistent with it. Inktober is about growing and improving and forming positive habits, so the more you're consistent the better.*

**That's it! Now go make something beautiful.**