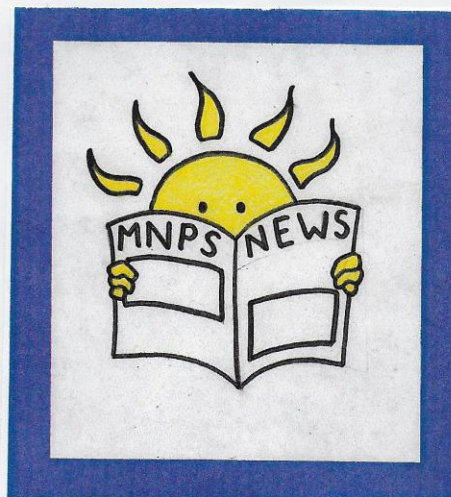


# Midsomer Norton Primary School News

Issue 3  
Spring Term/Term 3/2022



## Welcome to our School Magazine!

In this issue:

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School and Community News – what's been going on?

Jokes

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KS1 tell us what love is! *Valentine's Cookery*

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*Valentine Word Wheel*

**How to Stay Safe Online** *Art and Craft*

The history of Valentine's Day

and lots more!

# Window Wanderland!

By Olivia Merko and Callum Rossiter (Earth)

**Window Wanderland is a fun community event that takes part in Midsomer Norton from the 10th - 20th of February from 6pm - 9pm. This is a fun, unique event where you make a window display that you can light up! You can go on an enjoyable evening walk to spot them all!**

The theme for the event is Midsomer Memories. There will be all sorts of things like a silhouette of evacuees that came to Midsomer Norton during WWII, as years 5 and 6 have been studying WWII this Term. We will also have miners that mined here once. In the mid-1970's we had a flood in Midsomer Norton and that is also a memory that will go on a window in school, as will the local Beauchamp sisters who were suffragettes.

Mrs Cook and Mrs Josham took part by decorating a window in their own homes.

If you want to find out more go to [windowwanderland.com](http://windowwanderland.com) where you can find a map to guide you so you can see all the windows taking part in the event.



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# What is Love?

What exactly is love? Mrs Josham and Olivia asked some children in KS1 to tell us what they thought...

"It's a thing when you love your mum and dad." *Esme (Mars)*

"It's when you really, really like someone." *Alfie (Venus)*

"Love is the colour red." *Ruby (Pluto)*

"It can be pink too!" *Ruby-Leigh (Venus)*

"When you like being with someone special." *Maisie (Mars)*

"It's kissing!" *Harrison (Venus)*

"When you love someone you might really, really miss them sometimes." *Scarlett (Mars)*

"It's kindness!" *Isla (Pluto)*

"When you hug people." *Indie (Pluto)*

"It's if you don't see someone special in a while, you miss them a lot." *Millie (Mars)*

"When you kiss someone." *Jasmine (Pluto)*

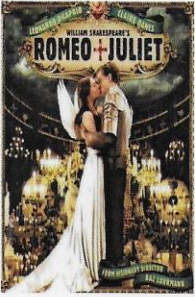
"It's when somebody asks you if you want to go on a date." *Ellie (Mars)*

"If you are married, you love that person." *Aston (Pluto)*

"When you hug." *Fabian (Pluto)*

"When you care about someone a lot." *Ella (Venus)*





# Romeo and Juliet

1996

By Sophie - Earth

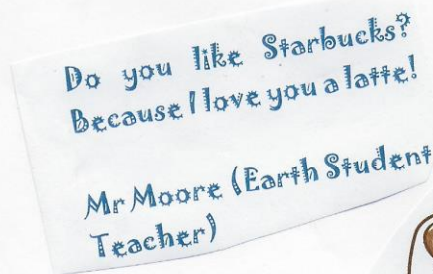
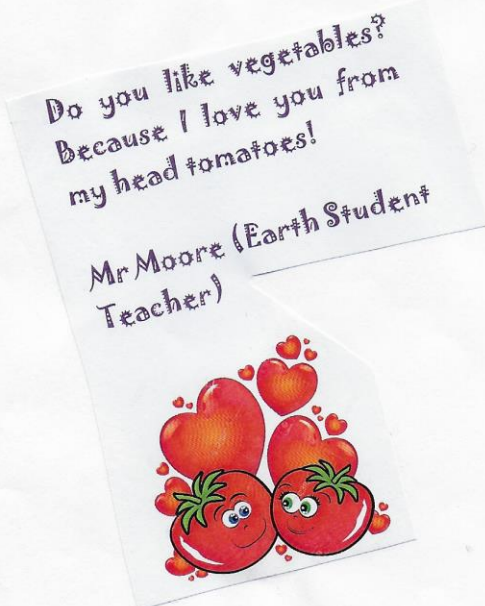
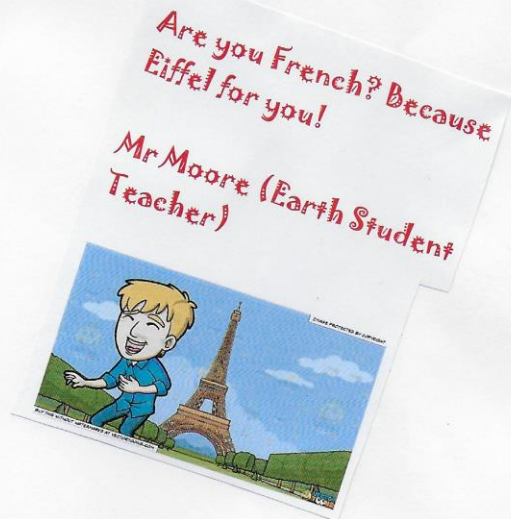


In my opinion Romeo and Juliet is an amazing film, I love the fact that the director (Baz Luhrmann) set the film in the 90s. I also love the way they used the script of the actual play written between 1591 and 1596. Listening to the cast (Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes) speak Shakespearean has led to me understanding what they are saying and even being able to speak a bit of Shakespearean.

My favourite scene has to be the bathroom scene, (love at first sight) when they look through the fish tank seeing each other for the first time. I love how Romeo and Juliet just turn around to see one another and communicate through the fish tank.

Songs that are featured in the film are:

- Angel
- To You I Bestow
- Lovefool
- You And Me Song
- Local God
- Talk Show Host
- Little Star
- Whatever (I Had A Dream)
- I'm Kissing You
- Everybody's Free (To Feel Good)





## Interview of past pupil of Midsomer Norton Primary School

### future golf superstar Frankie Dezis

by Maisie Dezis



**Question 1** - What age did you start playing golf?

Answer - *5 years old.*

**Question 2** - How old are you now?

Answer - *I'm 16 now.*

**Question 3** - What year did you leave Midsomer Norton Primary?

Answer - *In 2016, so 6 years ago.*

**Question 4** - What Secondary School did you go to?

Answer - *Norton Hill School.*

**Question 5** - Did you like it at Midsomer Norton Primary School and why?

Answer - *Yes, I liked everything - the teachers, my friends, the subjects and all the sports.*

**Question 6** - Are you still in touch with all the friends you had in Primary School?

Answer - *Yes, I'm still friends with some of them but I met loads of new friends as soon as I went to Norton Hill. I see them every day in Sixth Form.*

**Question 7** - Who were your teachers in Midsomer Norton Primary?

Answer - *I was taught by Mrs Ross, Mr Andrew, Mrs Cook, Miss Dodington and Miss Forster.*

**Question 8** - What subject has helped you the most in life so far?

Answer - *Definitely PE for keeping me fit. I play netball and I swim as well as play golf.*

**Question 9** - Did you do any golf in Midsomer Norton Primary?

Answer - *Yes, I did Tri-Golf with plastic golf clubs but I was rubbish with them and wanted to use my proper clubs!*

**Question 10** - Have you won any golf competitions or trophies?

Answer - *Yes, I have lots of trophies. I won the Avon Schools Golf Competition in years 8 and 9. Or the past 3 years, I've been the Ladies Club Champion at my home Club, Farrington Park.*

**Question 11** - Did you take them into school for show and share?

Answer – *Probably, but I can't really remember!*

**Question 12** - Do you have to practice a lot to be as good as you are?

Answer – *Yes, I practice 3 or 4 times a week and a lot more during the summer with the lighter evenings.*

**Question 13** - What would happen if you didn't practice so much?

Answer – *I wouldn't be very good and wouldn't be able to hit the ball accurately. Practice makes perfect!*

**Question 14** - Do you write down notes so you can remember what you need to work on?

Answer – *No, not really but I do film my golf swing a lot to see what I need to work on.*

**Question 15** - What are your plans for when you finish Norton Hill Sixth Form?

Answer - *I am going to America for four years to do a golf scholarship.*

**Question 16** - Where do you play/practice golf?

Answer – *My home Cub is Farrington Park but I also play and practice at Burnham and Berrow Golf Club and Cumberwell Park.*

**Question 17** - What food do you most enjoy when you are away doing competitions?

Answer – *I take a packed lunch with a wrap, banana and some chocolate (for when I need some energy).*

**Question 18** - What value were you taught at school that has helped you in your golf career?

Answer – *To be polite as you need to have a good etiquette when playing golf.*

Thank you for your time, Frankie.

Frankie Dezis –  
definitely a name to look out for in the world of golf in the future!





# Fancy a film?



You don't have to travel into Bath, Bristol or Trowbridge to visit the cinema...we have one right here on our doorstep in Midsomer Norton at the Town Hall. Surround sound, comfy seats, the refreshments are cheaper than in the cinemas in town and there are no parking charges! What's not to like?

**PALLADIUM**  
Midsomer Norton Town Hall

Friday 11th February 2022, 7.30pm  
**LICORICE PIZZA** 15  
134 mins

Saturday 12th February 2022, 2.30pm  
**Clifford**  
The Big Red Dog U  
90 mins

Saturday 12th February 2021, 7.30pm  
The Electrical Life of  
**LOUIS WAIN** 12A  
111 mins

**PALLADIUM**  
Midsomer Norton Town Hall

Friday 25th February 2022, 7.30pm  
**BELFAST** 12A  
98 mins

Saturday 26th February 2022, 2.30pm  
**SING 2** U  
110 mins

Saturday 26th February 2022, 7.30pm  
**NIGHTMARE ALLEY** 15  
100 mins

**£5 Adults, £3 Children, £12 Family Tickets (2 Adults, 2 Children)**  
Cinema refreshments available from the fully licensed bar  
Booking in advance recommended - Remaining tickets available on the door  
For more information phone 01761 419133 (Monday-Friday only)  
**[www.midsomernortoncommunitytrust.co.uk](http://www.midsomernortoncommunitytrust.co.uk)**



Knock Knock!  
Who's there?

Butter.  
Butter who?  
You butter understand  
this joke!

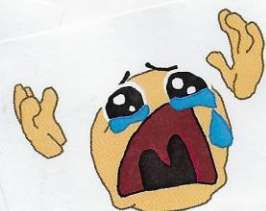
Jenny (Neptune)



Knock Knock.  
Who's there?

Boo.  
Boo Who?  
Awww...don't cry!

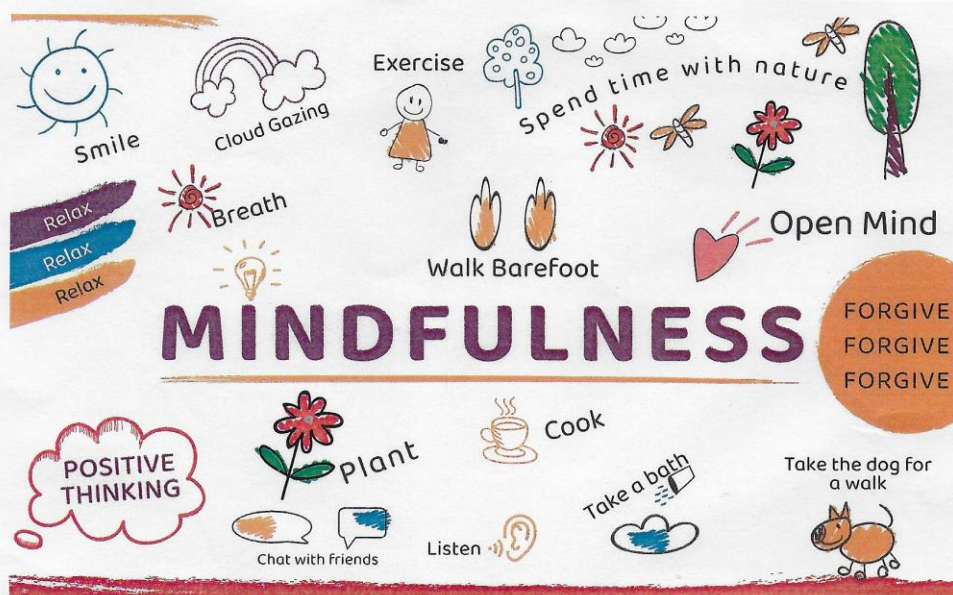
Reece (Jupiter)



# The Holocaust

by Tulisha and Maisie Earth)

On Thursday 27th January, we celebrated the 77 year anniversary of the liberation of the concentration camp, Auschwitz, with Holocaust Memorial Day. Millions of people (mostly Jews) died during the Holocaust. During Holocaust Memorial Day we learnt that Adolf Hitler ordered the Nazi soldiers to build concentration camps for thousands of Jews and other persecuted races. This was not a holiday camp. Hitler believed the master race was the Aryan race. He believed they were the best of them all. The Aryan race was blue eyes, blonde hair and white skin and had to have what they called "pure blood". Hitler also despised people that were gay, LGBTQ+, had disabilities and were religious. Jupiter, Mercury and Earth have been looking at photos and have been doing really great art about the Holocaust.





Years 5 and 6 have been learning how to write a balanced argument.

Here is just a sample of some of our work based on the question "Should Goldilocks go to jail?" What do you think...would you send her to prison?



WALT: write a balanced argument.

Should Goldilocks go to prison ?

By now everyone should know that Goldilocks has broken into the bears' house, and she also broke baby bears' chair, ate a spoonful of each bears' porridge. But what you may not know is that Goldilocks committed a criminal act and ran away from something she has done .Should she go to prison or shouldn't go? Here I will set out arguments for and against.

The latest data explains that Goldilocks should go to prison for committing a crime, but many people think she should because she slept in a bed, ate the bears' porridge and broke a chair without permission .Therefore some would agree that trespassing on the bears, land is against the law and even a 7 year old should know what they should do and shouldn't do because she should be in school .

On the other hand people think that Goldilocks is a little girl who was lost in the middle of the woods and just needed food and rest .Although she broke in ,she is only young and did not know it was a bears' house -she thought it was her grandads house.However , the bears' door was unlocked so perhaps they didn't mind visitors .In addition to this ,it is clearly not her fault , it is her parents for leaving a 7 year old in the woods alone were dangerous animals live .

After looking at the facts of this case, I firmly believe she should go to prison because she would have known it was her grandad's house because she would've recognised his house and she just ran off from something she did .

By AlyssaThomas (Mercury)



## Should Goldilocks go to prison?

Everyone in town, by now, knows about the Goldilocks criminal break-in. Everyone thought she was a sweet little girl. What many of us didn't know was that she was an evil, nasty girl. Should Goldilocks face punishments or should she be forgiven and not be punished? Here, I will set arguments for and against this claim. Should Goldilocks be punished and sent to prison to face a sentence because she broke into the bears house or should Goldilocks not be punished and let go.

First of all, Goldilocks vandalised the bears' personal property. She ate the bears porridge, broke a chair and slept in their beds. She was selfish, as she didn't think about the residents living in the house. Furthermore, because of the high security in the area, it clearly shows that she shows no remorse and runs away. This shows that she knew she was breaking the law. She was trespassing and should not go unpunished. She should serve some time in prison.

On the other hand, Goldilocks was lost in the dark forest. She was trying to get help and the bears' house was the only one in sight. Goldilocks wanted to get out of the cold and get warm - she was facing a life or death situation. In addition to this, Goldilocks is a minor; her parents are to blame because she should not have been left in the forest alone. The bears left their property unlocked and Goldilocks probably thought that they were inviting people in, she couldn't resist the warmth of a house. Finally, the law states that a person must knowingly damage property to be a criminal offence.

Following a review of the data provided, I strongly believe that Goldilocks should go to prison for a few days to a few weeks. Goldilocks is not sorry for what she has done. I also think, reviewing the against argument, that her parents should serve some time in prison as they should have not left Goldilocks alone in the forest. I hope that in the future Goldilocks will be a different person.

By Isaac Cripps (Mercury)



**healthy Self-Talk**

THIS	NOT THAT
✓ Whoops. I made a mistake.	✗ I'm so dumb.
✓ I like me.	✗ No one likes me.
✓ I did something bad.	✗ I'm a bad person.
✓ This is really hard, but I'm going to keep trying.	✗ I give up. I'll never be able to do this.
✓ I haven't figured it out...yet.	✗ I never get anything right.

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Don't keep it inside  
Talk to us

[www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

# Me And My Cat, Marley

by Jenny (Neptune)

Me and my cat, Marley, love each other. My cat is 7 years old.

My cat's favourite thing to do is eat...his favourite food is pork, cheese, lamb and gravy. We love to cuddle up together in my bed! We love to sleep together at night but sometimes he pounces on my feet! Marley sleeps lots and lots. He is an 'all-black cat', apart from his eyes, which are greeny-yellow like spring leaves. His fur is soft, especially his ears and his very fluffy tail! Marley loves to chase string and pom-poms which makes him very excited!



The blue house is made of blue bricks. The orange house is made of orange bricks. The pink house is made of pink bricks. The black house is made of black bricks. The yellow house is made of yellow bricks. What is the green house made of?

Glass!



Why do we tell actors to "Break A Leg"?

Because every play has a cast!

Anonymous



# What it is like to own a dog.

By Callum Rossiter (Earth)

I own a dog and this is what it is like to own a dog.

Dogs are very cute and fun to play with. They can cheer you up whenever you feel down but they can bite and get a bit naughty.

Sometimes they can do a little accident on your wooden floor or even worse **carpet!**

You can train your dog to do whatever you would like. I have a spinner spaniel and he is really good at instructions so I do recommend this type of dog. When dogs are used to going out to go to the toilet, they will stay near the door and will let you know when they want to go.

Here is a joke to end off:

There once was a man that couldn't sleep,  
The man told the doctor he couldn't sleep,  
The doctor said,  
"Sleep on top of the wardrobe,  
You'll soon drop off!"



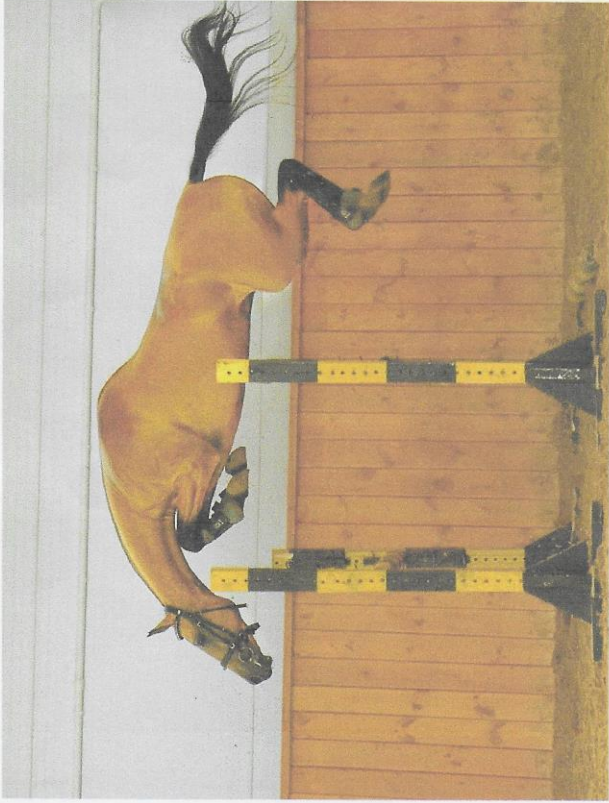
How did the doorbell  
propose to his sweetheart?  
He gave her a ring!  
Alyssa (Mercury)



What did the cook say to his  
girlfriend?  
You're baking me crazy!  
Alyssa (Mercury)



What did the volcano say to  
her husband?  
I lava you!  
Alyssa (Mercury)



## How to care for a Horse.

What horses need to be happy and healthy:

- You will need four shoes from the farrier
- Horse feed from a shop
- Grooming to brush off the dirt. Dirt can stain the horses' rugs
- Vet when it's ill
- Rugs because they will get chilly if it's winter
- Stable to sleep
- Exercise to entertain the horses and keep them healthy!

What we need to wear when riding.

- Riding boots
- A hat
- Leggings



by Hollie Smith  
(Mercury)





Animals In

L  ve

By Stanley Pack - Mercury



# Meet the Member of Staff

Interviewed by Zoe and Daisy (Jupiter)

*This time, one of our Year 3/4 teachers, Miss Derrick, takes the hot seat.*

Adult's Name: **Miss Derrick**

How old are you? **20s**

Where were you born? **Bristol Hospital**

Where do you live now? **High Littleton**

Who are your siblings and what do they do (if you have any)? **A sister who is a banker**

What was your dream job when you were younger? **Explorer**

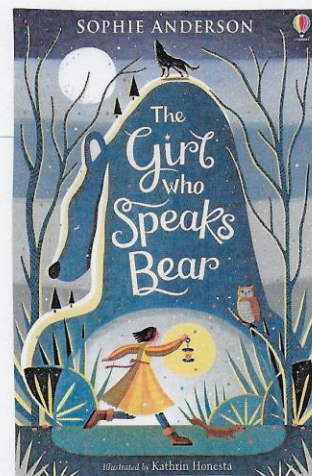
Where is your favourite holiday destination? **Anywhere hot (I'd love to go to Australia)**

What's your favourite food? **Pineapple Pizza**

What's your favourite music band? **Don't have one**

What's your favourite book? **The Girl Who Speaks Bear by Sophie Anderson**

What do you do to relax? **Martial arts**



Do you have any pets? **2 huge cats and 2 fish**

What would you do with £1,000,000? **Donate half to charity and use the rest to buy a yacht**

What are three things that you would bring to a desert island?  
**Bottles of water; hammock and the yacht I bought with the £1,000,000**

What's your favourite colour? **Blue**



What did the kitten say to her Valentine?

You're purr-fect!

Alyssa (Mercury)



## What to look out for in spring

.By Ffion,Leo,Alfie(Uranus)

Look for flowers blossoming.

Look for cows giving birth to calves.

Look for daffodils growing.

Look for sheep

giving birth to lambs.







## Why was Valentines Day invented?

*By Tulisha Barnes and Sophie Maine (Earth).*

As you know, Valentine's Day is to celebrate romance and love. But that isn't how Valentines was invented. Kind of the opposite.

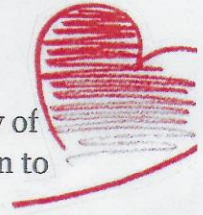
Though no one has pinpointed the exact origin of the holiday, one good place to start is ancient Rome, where men hit on women, by actually hitting them.



### Crazy Romans

From February 13 to 15, the Romans celebrated the feast of Lupercalia. The men sacrificed a goat and a dog, then whipped women with the hides of the animals they had just slain.

The Roman romantics" says Noel Lenski, a historian at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Young women would actually line up for the men to hit them, Lenski says. They believed this would make them fertile.



The brutal fete included a matchmaking lottery, in which young men drew the names of women from a jar. The couple would then be, um, coupled up for the duration of the festival — or longer, if the match was right.



The ancient Romans may also be responsible for the name of our modern day of love. Emperor Claudius II executed two men — both named Valentine — on Feb. 14 of different years in the 3rd century A.D. Their martyrdom was honored by the Catholic Church with the celebration of St. Valentine's Day.



# Songs to listen to on Valentines Day

By Sophie (Earth)



- Love Story - Taylor Swift
- You're My Best Friend - Queen
- I Was Born To Love You - Freddie Mercury
- Love Me Like You Do - Ellie Goulding
- Rewrite The Stars - James Arthur & Anne-Marie
- Jessie's Girl - Rick Springfield
- Like A Prayer - Madonna
- I Will Always Love You - Whitney Houston
- I Want To Break Free - Queen
- Don't Go Home Without me - Lights
- Eternal Flame - The Bangles
- Alone - Heart
- The Way You Make Me Feel - Micheal Jackson
- Andante, Andante - ABBA
- My Love, My Life - ABBA
- I'll Be There For You - Bon Jovi
- Always - Bon Jovi
- Wildest Dreams - Taylor Swift
- Paper Rings - Taylor Swift
- A Thousand Years - Christina Perry
- My Heart Will Go On - Celine Dion
- Yellow - Coldplay
- The way you make me feel - Micheal Jackson
- Love Of My Life - Queen
- Too Much Love Will Kill You - Queen
- Dandelions - Ruth B
- Hoodie - Hey Violet
- Heat Waves - Glass Animals



# It's Good to be Green!



**We all know that we need to recycle as much as we possibly can and we all know we need to recycle more than we already do, but did you know that we can be paid to recycle?**

Everyone at Midsomer Norton Primary School is committed to reducing our carbon footprint and to being as green as we possibly can. Just one way of helping to achieve this is to recycle our pens and crisp packets.

What kid doesn't eat crisps? What school doesn't use pens? Exactly! We never throw these away. Instead, we recycle them through Terracycle. But we don't just benefit from knowing we have done our bit for the environment, saving these items from going to landfill, the school also gets paid for recycling them! What's not to love about that?

So, why not bring in your crisp packets from home too? Raid your brothers and sisters lunchboxes for

them. Every time you eat a packet, save the empty packet in a carrier bag and bring it into school when it's full. Remember...Bag It, Don't Bin It!

All we ask is that they are completely empty and flattened out, please.

As we said, we also recycle pens. Biro's, felt tips, markers, ink pens...bring them in! Why not ask your friends and family to collect theirs and bring them in to school? Do your friends and family work in an office? It's just as easy to put old, worn-out pens in a box and save them as it is to put them in the bin!

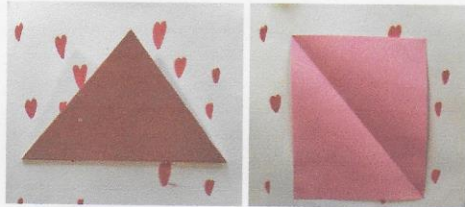
Our school is the local collection point for the public. **WE NEED YOU TO HELP US, PLEASE!**

**Please, please, PLEASE get everyone you know on board and get them joining in with this. It's easy and benefits our school as well as our world!**

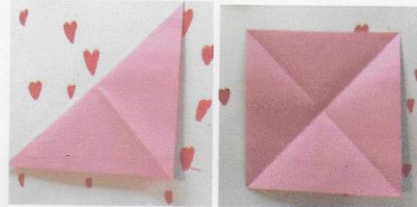




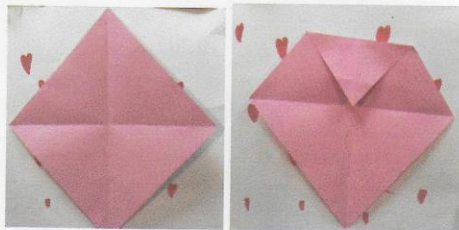
## ♥How to make your Valentines Heart♥



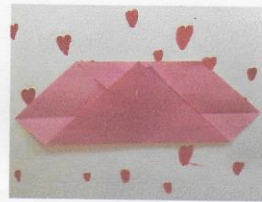
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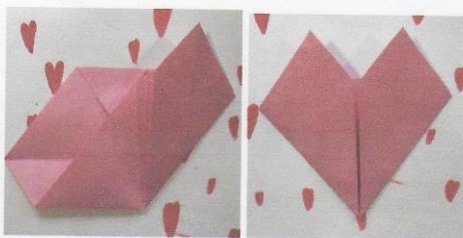
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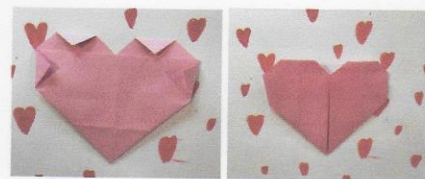
3♥turn the paper around like a diamond and then fold the top corner to the middle like shown in the picture.



4♥fold the bottom corner to the top like shown.



5♥fold in the sides to meet in the middle.



6♥turn the heart around and fold the top corners down to meet with the line. Then fold the sides in like shown in the picture. Now turn it around and you have your heart!

**By Elliot Gregory, Mercury Class**

# Self-Care & Mental Health



## Tips for Kids



Share your own feelings to **encourage** self-awareness.

Set aside time for **low stress** or solo activities, groups that help them feel like they **belong**.



Recognize **toxic** stress events.

Focus on **articulating** feelings. "I am angry." "I am sad."



Practice **self-care** for yourself to **set the standard**.



Encourage them to focus on **the moment**. Establish a **self-care** routine.

Cultivate **interests** and hobbies.

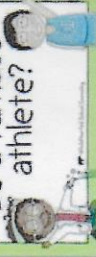
**Blessing** Manifesting

**WOULD YOU RATHER**  
You will be able to take a self-care break or you will only be able to take a self-care break if you are able to take a self-care break.



**WOULD YOU RATHER**

be a famous scientist  
-or-  
be a famous athlete?



**WOULD YOU RATHER**  
talk on a phone  
-or-  
text on a phone?



# KIDS 7 MINUTE HIT WORK OUT FOR SELF-REGULATION

Set an interval timer and complete each animal movement for 45 seconds, with 15 seconds of rest in between. Do as many as you can!



## FROG JUMPS

Hop, hop, back and forth like a frog



## BEAR WALK

Hands & feet on the floor, hips high - walk left and right



## GORILLA SHUFFLE

Sink into a low sumo squat, with hands on the floor, shuffle around the room.



## STARFISH JUMPS

Jumping jacks as fast as you can, with arms and legs spread wide.



## CHEETAH RUN

Run in place, as FAST as you can! Just like the fastest animal in the Sahara.



## CRAB CRAWL

Sit and place your palms flat on the floor behind you near your hips. Lift up off the ground and crawl.



## ELEPHANT STOMPS

March in place lifting your knees as high as you can and stomping the ground as hard as you can!

# Book Review

by Jenny Fry (Neptune)



## Christmasaurus and the Naughty List by Tom Fletcher

I like it because it focuses on lots of different children.

- I rate this book 5 stars because this book has lots of comedy and is excellently written. ☆☆☆☆☆
- There are illustrations inside the book which are brilliant, I just wish there were more!
- Santa's naughty list is too full, and, surprisingly, William Trundle is on it too! Why should he be when he's already saved Christmas twice? All of the children are on the naughty list for different reasons.
- Every chapter focuses on a different child and why they're on the naughty list.

This means that the chapters are VERY long!

What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment but never in a thousand years?

The letter M!

Jenny (Neptune)



Boy 1 - If you're good at mathematics, spell it.

Boy 2 - MATHEMATICS.

Boy 1 - Wrong! IT!

Max McCormick (Jupiter)



Mr Blue lives in a blue house. Mrs Orange lives in an orange house. Miss Pink lives in a pink house. Master Green lives in a green house. Ms Yellow lives in a yellow house. Who lives in the white house?

The President of the USA!

Max McCormick (Jupiter)



# Spider-Man No Way Home Film Review

by Reece K (Jupiter) and Stanley P (Mercury)



Do you know what an octopus is?  
A nightmare to shake hands with!  
Luther (Mars)

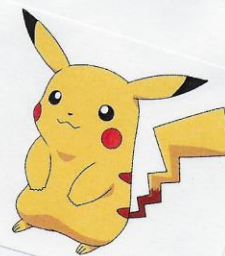


Spider-Man No Way Home is the newest Spider-Man film. It is amazing with tons of new heroes and villains such as Sandman, Green Goblin, Dr Octopus and Lizard. We recommend you go and see it at Half Term.

Fun Fact: spiders are more scared of you than you are of them.

Did you know? Spiders are actually good for the environment.

How do you get a thousand  
Pikachus on a bus?  
You Pokemon!  
Alfie (Uranus)

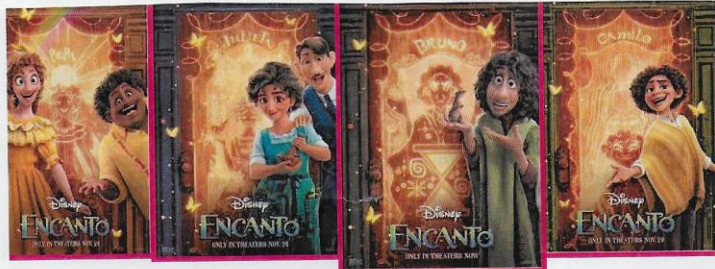


Movie Report Alyssa Thomas (Mercury)

## Encanto

Encanto is a magical film with a lot of music to sing to. The movie is about this family that gets a gift of power.

Mirabel is the main character. She is the only person in the magical family that has no gift. She wants to save the miracle so the candle doesn't go out and break the magic .



## What's the Best Biscuit?

By Olivia Merko (Earth)

Digestives	
Nice biscuits	
Custard Creams	
Bourbons	
Hobnobs	
Choc Chip Cookies	



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# Online safety: top tips

Going online is a huge part of most young people's lives so it's important to talk to them about online safety. Here's our tips to get you started.



## Chat to them about what they like to do online

The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to talk to them and have regular conversations so that online safety is part of everyday discussion. Ask them open-ended questions like 'What's your favourite game or app to play on?'.

- Listen to what they have to say and show an interest. They could give you a demo of their favourite app or show you their favourite YouTube or TikTok account.
- They will probably be able to teach you things you don't know! This will also give you an opportunity to chat about any safety settings they might already have in place.
- Regular conversations with your child will encourage them to come to you if they ever need support or advice.

## Talk about who they are in contact with online

There are lots of different ways that children can talk to people online – messaging apps, on social media, and less obvious ways such as chat on online games. Talk to your child about who they are talking to and what they are sharing with them.

- Use settings to help limit who can contact your child.
- Remind your child that they shouldn't share personal information with people they don't know online.
- Let your child know they can come to you or another trusted adult if any conversation makes them feel uncomfortable.

## Help manage what they see and do online

Parental controls and privacy settings can help you manage how your child spends time online and help to keep them safe.

- Device settings – manage things like location sharing, screen time and in-app purchases. Most tech and gaming companies have dedicated pages to support with setting these up.
- App or game settings – in-app tools that can help to keep your child's account private and manage who they're talking to. You can normally find information on these in account settings or directly on the platforms website.
- Mobile or network provider settings – help to manage browsing access and stop your child from visiting inappropriate sites or downloading apps that aren't suitable. Contact your mobile or broadband provider for more information about setting this up.

Make sure to talk to your child first before implementing any new settings and explain to them how they help to keep them safe.

## Remember it's ok to ask for help!

Remember you don't have to be an online safety expert – that's our job! We're here to help, with resources and advice to help support you and your child.

If your child asks you a question you don't know the answer to, or speaks to you about a negative experience they had online, here are some of things you could do:

- Visit the NSPCC online safety hub: [nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety](https://nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety)
- Call the NSPCC helpline **0808 800 5000** to speak to an advisor
- Ask another parent
- Speak to your child's teacher
- If your child needs more support, they can contact Childline: [childline.org.uk](https://childline.org.uk)



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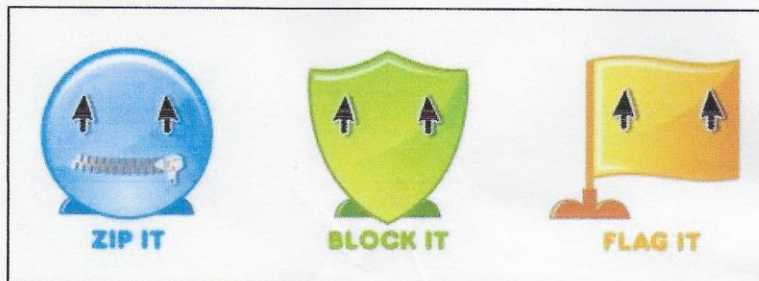
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## Online Safety

By Isaac Cripps (Mercury)

On Tuesday 8th February, it was Online Safety Day! The school studied about online safety and how to stay safe while using the internet.

One of the main things was:  
Zip it. Block it. Flag It.



Online, do not share personal information to people you don't know. Ask your parents before sharing information to a 'trusted site' although they can't always be safe.



Stay Secure whilst on the internet as there can be nasty and inappropriate things that you might not want to see.

Turn over to find an Online Safety Quiz!

# Safer Internet Day

Midsomer Norton Primary School held a Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 where we learnt all about how to keep ourselves safe and protected whilst online. Test your knowledge in this great Online Safety Quiz from the NSPCC – the answers are at the end.

## Online safety quiz



**1. You've received a friend request from someone you don't know. do you accept them?**

- A) No, you decline the request and block them. If it's made you feel uncomfortable or worried you tell a parent / guardian / teacher.
- B) Yes, and then send them a message asking who they are.
- C) You ask your friends to find out if anyone knows who the person is and only accept if someone else knows them.

**3. Your friend always 'checks in' to whatever location you are at, tagging you in the post too. Should you ask her to stop tagging you?**

- A) Yes, talk to your friend to ask them not to check in because you don't want to share details of your location. Talk about why it isn't always a good idea to share your location online when you aren't sure who will be able to see it.
- B) No, just have a competition to see who can tag who quickest next time!
- C) You'd like to, but you know they will say you are being silly by not wanting them to tag you.

**5. In a game chat someone you don't know sends you a link. What do you do?**

- A) Don't click on any links. You can report the message or just delete straight away.
- B) The name looks familiar, so you click the link to see if it is anything interesting.
- C) Forward it to your friend to see what they think.



**2. You want to post a video to TikTok, but you were wearing your school uniform in the video. Does it matter?**

- A) No it doesn't matter, everyone knows which school you go to anyway and most of your followers know you in person.
- B) You suppose it would be better without the uniform but can't be bothered to refilm so post it anyway.
- C) Yes, it matters because your uniform has the school name on it, which is personal info and it can give away your location so you shouldn't post the video online.

**4. You get an email from the app you use all the time asking for your password to fix a problem with your account. What do you do?**

- A) Reply straight away with your password – you don't want to risk losing access.
- B) Don't click on any links in the email, but go to the app itself and check for any genuine messages. It's probably best to change your password too.
- C) Reply asking for confirmation that the email is genuine and not a scam before sending your password.

**6. Someone you know has sent you a message saying horrible things about another person. What should you do?**

- A) Agree with them, you don't really like the other person anyway.
- B) Don't reply to the message, but take a screenshot and show it to an adult you trust (it could be a teacher who can act to stop the bullying).
- C) Ignore it and delete the message, you don't want to get involved.

7. You find out someone has shared an embarrassing photo of you, what should you do?

- A) Just ignore it and hope that it'll be a photo of someone else they find funny tomorrow.
- B) Message them and call them names to get back at them.
- C) You know it'll be embarrassing, but it is best to tell an adult you trust (a parent, or teacher) what has happened so they can help.

9. How do you find out if a new game you want to play is suitable for your age?

- A) Look it up on the app store or game developer site and see what age rating it has.
- B) Ask your mates if they are playing it, if they are you can get it too.
- C) You just play the games you like, so don't bother checking what the age rating is.

11. You use a chat site to talk about a game while you are playing, but one person keeps going off topic and asking things like what you are doing at the weekend and where are you going. Is this weird and should you answer?

- A) Just ignore the off topic comments and talk about the game. If they keep doing it report it to a moderator.
- B) Tell them all about your weekend plans and what you are going to be doing.
- C) Message them privately and tell them your plans – you don't want the rest of the chat group to know.

8. You've been chatting to another player on an online game for a few weeks and they've suggested meeting up at the weekend. What do you say?

- A) This feels a bit weird, so tell an adult you trust (or a Childline counsellor) what they've asked you to do.
- B) Say yes as long as you can meet in a busy place.
- C) Take your best mate along with you, you'll be fine if there are two of you.

10. When playing a game a new player joins in with a rude username. They join in the chat and say some horrible things to you. What should you do?

- A) Report the player to the game and block them. Talk to your parent / adult.
- B) Stop playing the game, you don't want to have to hear the horrible comments.
- C) Just ignore it, they obviously don't like you and you don't want to make it worse.

12. You are struggling to pass a level on a game. A friend says that they can pass the level for you if you give them your password to log in. Should you do this?

- A) Say thanks but no thanks because you don't share passwords (or other personal info). But ask for some tips about the game instead.
- B) If it gets you to the next level you'd try anything!
- C) Say yes, but make them promise to forget your password straight away.

Children can contact Childline any time to get support themselves at: [childline.org.uk](http://childline.org.uk)



**Remember:**  
**Zip It!**  
**Block It!**  
**Flag It!**

**Answers:**  
1. A 2. C 3. A 4. B 5. A 6. B 7. C  
8. C 9. B 10. A 11. B 12. C

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## Did you know?

You must be 16 or older to have a WhatsApp Account!

What do you call a dog  
that thinks it's a  
magician?

A labracadabrador!

Mrs Josham



What has to be broken  
before you can use it?

An egg!

Anonymous



## New Year to do list

- splash in puddles
- Have an indoor picnic
- Spot a rainbow
- Feed the ducks
- Build a den
- Eat your favourite food
  - Do some crafting
  - Plan some adventures
  - Spend time with your most favourite people
- Have a movie night
- Read your favourite books
- Get some fresh air
- spot some snowdrops

# Valentine Wordsearch

By Jenny Fry (Neptune)

L	J	J	K	L	O	I	U	X	Z	B	Q	Valentine
J	O	F	J	T	R	B	D	U	B	H	B	Love
R	X	V	A	L	E	N	T	I	N	E	N	Heart
L	D	J	E	C	D	X	C	J	R	A	T	Flowers
O	D	Y	F	M	F	C	H	E	Q	R	W	Chocolates
T	L	J	E	N	N	Y	O	N	V	T	E	Red
O	C	O	D	K	W	S	C	G	V	F	J	Pink
H	U	G	V	B	F	L	O	W	E	R	S	White
L	P	I	N	K	N	N	L	E	P	O	D	Kiss
U	I	S	S	I	N	N	A	D	U	S	B	Hug
G	D	F	Z	S	E	J	T	V	M	E	M	Cupid
F	T	A	A	S	X	A	E	G	D	S	U	Roses
W	H	I	T	E	V	V	S	V	C	C	P	



# Valentine's Biscuit Recipe

## by Maisie Dezis

Here's what to do - you should get 21 Valentine's Day cookies.

### Ingredients

- 110 g (3.9 oz) margarine;
- 100 g (3.5 oz) white caster sugar (superfine);
- 1 medium free range eggs;
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract;
- 250 g (8.8 oz) plain white flour (all purpose flour) plus extra for dusting;
- 1/4 tsp bicarbonate of soda (baking soda);
- 1/4 tsp baking powder;
- 1/4 tsp salt;
- 1 tbsp icing sugar (powdered sugar);
- 1 tsp cornflour (cornstarch) for dusting;
- 100 g (3.5 oz) pink sugar paste vegetarian if required;
- 100 g (3.5 oz) red sugar paste vegetarian if required;
- 100 g (3.5 oz) white sugar paste vegetarian if required;
- 30 g (1.1 oz) heart-shaped sprinkles.



### Instructions

- Preheat the oven to 200C (180C fan-assisted, 400F);
- Put the margarine, sugar, eggs and vanilla in a large mixing bowl;
- Beat until light and fluffy;
- Add the flour, baking powder, salt and bicarbonate of soda;
- Turn out the dough onto a very well-floured board and knead only as much as it takes to get a smooth ball of dough. Chill for about 15 minutes until firm enough to roll out;
- Roll out to approximately 7-8mm thick (approx 1/3 inch);
- Cut out the heart shapes. Gather the offcuts back up and re-roll. You should get 21 heart biscuits in all;
- Place the cookies on a baking sheet lined with baking paper;
- Bake the cookies for 8 minutes or until pale golden at the edges. Cool on a wire rack;
- On a clean board, dusted with cornflour, roll out the icing, one colour at a time and cut out heart shapes;
- Arrange the cooled cookies on a clean surface;
- In a small container, mix the icing sugar with a tbsp of water until dissolved to make a watery 'glue';
- Brush a heart biscuit with the 'glue';

- Gently place a sugar paste heart on the cookie;
- Grab a handful of the sprinkle hearts and dot the glue where you want one to go before pushing it gently into the icing. Use 8-10 per biscuit;

Repeat until all your cookies are decorated. Leave them to dry, then enjoy!



Elliot, Gregory  
Mercurio



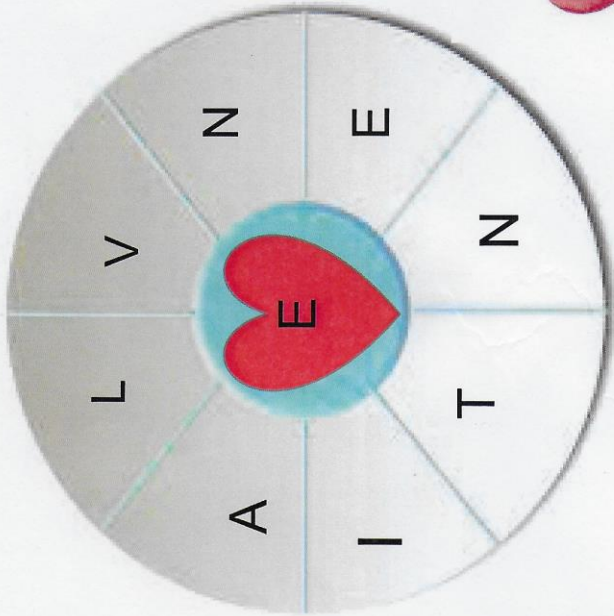
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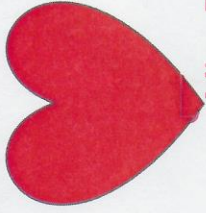
# Valentine Word Wheel



How many words can you make out of these nine letters? Each word must contain the letter in the middle of the wheel and you can only use each letter once in each word.



Can you find the 9-letter word?



Miss Dolan got 28, can you beat her and get even more?

Answers inside the back cover!



By Alyssa Thomas  
(Mercury)

Did you hear about the porcupine that was near-sighted?

He fell in love with a pin cushion!

Mr Moore (Earth Student Teacher)



Which month has 28 days?

All of them!

Anonymous
































Do you like Star Wars? Because Yoda only one for me!

Mr Moore (Earth Student Teacher)



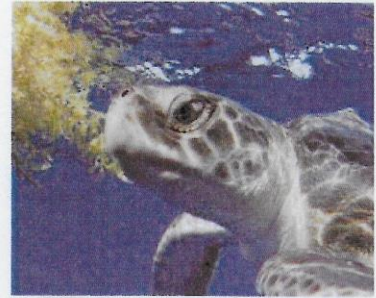
♡♡♡♡♡♡ Hugs and Kisses Game ♡♡♡♡♡♡

100 End ♡	99  down 5 spaces	98 ♡	97 ♡	96 ♡	95 ♡	94 ♡	93  Up 2 spaces	92 ♡	91 ♡
90 ♡	89 	88 ♡	87 ♡	86 ♡	85  Down 1 space	84 	83 ♡	82 ♡	81 ♡
71 	72 ♡	73  Down 4 spaces	74 	75 ♡	76 ♡	77 ♡	78 ♡	79 ♡	80  Up 9 spaces
70 ♡	69 	68 ♡	67 ♡	66 ♡	65 ♡	66  Up 1 space	63 ♡	62 	61 ♡
51 	52  down 2 spaces	53 ♡	54 ♡	55 ♡	56 ♡	57 ♡	58 	59 ♡	60 ♡
50 ♡	49 ♡	48 ♡	47 ♡	46  Down 3 spaces	45 ♡	44 ♡	43 ♡	42  Up 9 spaces	41 
40 ♡	39 ♡	38 ♡	37 ♡	36 ♡	35 	34 ♡	33 ♡	32 ♡	31 ♡
30 ♡	29  Down 5 spaces	28 	27 	26 ♡	25  up 7 spaces	24 ♡	23 ♡	22 ♡	21  Down 1 space
20 ♡	19 ♡	18 	17 ♡	16 ♡	15 ♡	14  Down 4 spaces	13 	12 ♡	11 ♡
START 1 ♡	2 ♡	3  up 3 spaces	4 ♡	5 ♡	6 	7 ♡	8 ♡	9 ♡	10 ♡

By Jenny and Jasper (Neptune class)

## Facts about the ocean life

By Alfie (Uranus) and Elliot G (Mercury)



1. with 70 percent of the Earth's surface taken up by ocean, it's evident how vital these marine environments are to the planet and how much there still is to be explored.
2. As so much of the Earth's surface is underwater, it comes as no surprise that marine species outnumber those on land. But, it's an incredible 94 per cent of the Earth's living species that exist within the oceans.
3. Earth's longest chain of mountains, the Mid-Ocean Ridge, is almost entirely beneath the ocean, stretching across a distance of 65,000 kilometers. It's said that this mountain chain is less explored than the surface of Venus or Mars.
4. Around 1,000 shipwrecks lie off the Florida Keys alone, some of which are within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. Other underwater museums have been created in recent years, including the Mediterranean's submerged bronze statue, Christ of the Abyss.
5. The name "Pacific Ocean" comes from the latin name Tepre Pacificum, "peaceful sea."
6. According to the World Register of Marine Species there are now 240,470 accepted species, but this is believed to be just a small proportion of the species that exist, with new marine life being discovered everyday.
7. When salt water and hydrogen sulfide combine, it becomes denser than the rest of the water around it, enabling it to form a lake or river that flows beneath the sea.
8. The oceans provide 99% of the living space on the planet containing 50-80% of all life.
9. With 25,000 islands lying within it, the Pacific Ocean has more islands than anywhere else on the planet.
10. Sea lions are strong swimmers and can reach speeds of nearly 20 miles per hour in the water.
11. They swim using their long foreflippers to generate power and their hind flippers to steer.

Text **YM to 85258** for free mental health  
crisis support, any time of the day.

Even though I may not like or have control over this situation,  
I DO HAVE CONTROL OVER...

**MY ACTIONS**  
I am in control of how I behave, how I treat others, and how I treat myself.

A helpful action I can take now is

**MY THOUGHTS**  
I am in control of my opinions, beliefs, what I think and how I think about something.

A helpful thought I can have right now is

**HOW I RELATE TO MY FEELINGS**  
I am in control of how I take care of my feelings and which coping tools I use.

A kind way to take care my feelings is to

**ASKING FOR HELP**  
I am in control of from whom I ask for support and when I ask for help.

Someone who I can ask for help from is

**MY WORDS**  
I am in control of what I say, how I say it, and how honest and truthful I am.

Something helpful I can say is...

**MY RESPONSE**  
I am in control of how I choose to respond to a situation.

A helpful way to respond to this situation is...

**DEALING WITH MISTAKES**  
I am in control of what I do after I make a mistake, like whether or not I learn from it, try again and/or make repairs.

Something I can do after making this mistake is

**MY EFFORT**  
I am in control of how much effort, focus, and energy I put into accomplishing something.

One way I can focus and put forth effort into accomplishing my goal is to

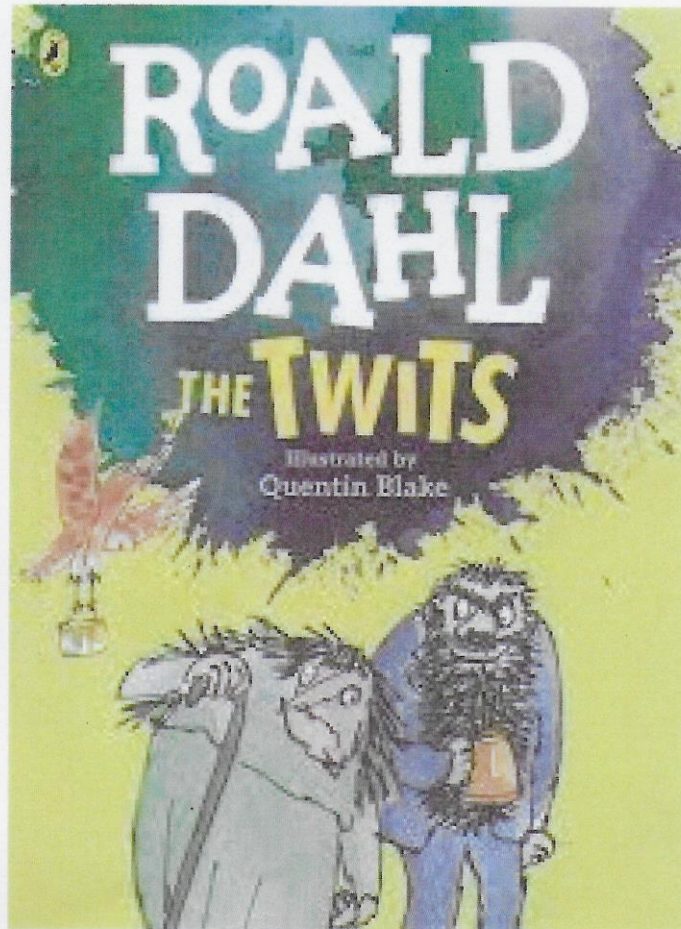


# WAYS TO BE BRAVE

1. Remind myself that I was made for this challenge.
2. Come up with a plan and work towards my goals one step at a time.
3. Keep on trying and get back up when I fall down.
4. Have the difficult conversation and share my thoughts, feelings, and boundaries.
5. Do the right thing even when it's hard and no one is watching.
6. Be creative and try something new even if I am afraid of looking silly or failing.
7. Talk to my fear and say, "Hey Fear, thanks for trying to keep me safe. But you don't have to work so hard. I can handle this now."

## The Twits

By Rosie Matthews



### (Jupiter)

The Twits is a very funny book which was created in 1980. Mr and Mrs Twit play some horrible tricks on each other. They never wash, they trap birds for bird pie and they hate little children. Some tricks they play on each other are worms in spaghetti, frogs in beds and eyeballs in drinks. I would 100 percent recommend this book!



## Valentine Word Wheel

The 9-letter word was VALENTINE. Did you spot that?

How many of these words did you find?

ale	alive	alien	ante	ate	eat	eaten
elate	elite	eel	eve	even	event	inlet
invent	enliven	lane	late	entail	evil	lea
lean	leant	lee	lent	lenient	leave	lave
lie	lien	leaven	lite	live	liven	line
leat	linnet	let	inane	nate	native	naïve
naivete	navel	neat	neaten	nave	net	nite
nine	nee	tale	teal	teen	tea	tee
ten	tie	tile	tine	vale	valet	vane
veal	veil	vein	vent	venal	vet	vie
vile	vine	venial				

Can you find any more?

## Valentines Day Poem

**L**ove is a beautiful thing  
**O**n  
**V**alentine's Day  
**E**veryone is loved

By Tulisha Barnes and Olivia Merko (Earth)

We hope you enjoyed reading this issue of MNPS News as much as we have enjoyed producing it.

**We hope you have been enjoying a Happy, Healthy and Safe start to 2022 so far.**



### **What do you want to see in the next issue of MNPS News?**

Please don't forget, you can place any jokes, riddles, ideas, short stories, reviews, features, pictures, recipes, craft ideas...anything really into the box in the library.

**The next issue will be out just before Easter!**



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