Gloucester House Newsletter

NHS North London

6th November 2026

Message from our Headteacher

Dear GH community,

Welcome Back to Autumn 2!

Welcome back, everyone! I hope all our children and families had a lovely and restful half-term break. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to Gloucester House this week, and we are looking forward to another busy and exciting half term.

Welcoming New Pupils
We are delighted to have welcomed a new pupil to Neptune class this week, and next week we look forward to welcoming another new pupil to Saturn class. This will bring our pupil numbers to 16! It is wonderful to see our Gloucester House community continuing to grow, and we look forward to helping our newest pupils settle in and feel part of our school family.

Staffing Updates
This week, we said goodbye to Gabriel, and we would like to thank him for his contributions to Gloucester House and wish him all the best for the future.
We have also welcomed some new faces to our team! Dienan has joined us as a Progress Support Worker, and Qaai has joined us as a short-term teacher in Mars class. We are delighted to have them both on board and hope you will join us in giving them a warm Gloucester House welcome.

I am also pleased to share that we have successfully recruited a permanent teacher for Mars class, who is expected to join us in January. We look forward to introducing her to you as we get closer to her start date.

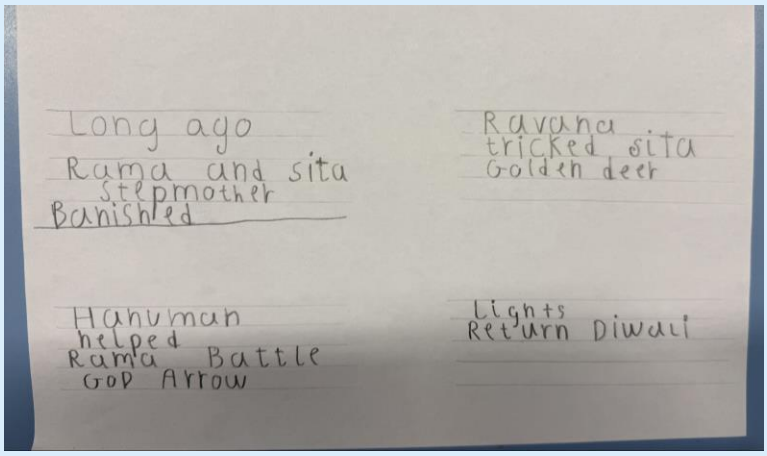
Finally, I am delighted to announce that we have appointed a new Deputy Headteacher! Following a successful recruitment process, Aisha, our Neptune class teacher, has been appointed to the role. This is wonderful news for Gloucester House, and I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on her new position. For now, Aisha will continue as Neptune class teacher, and we will keep families updated should there be any changes to these arrangements.

Introducing Our Safeguarding Corner
This week, we are introducing a new **Safeguarding Corner** to our weekly newsletter. This will be a space to keep our school community informed, raise awareness and share practical advice on a range of safeguarding topics.
We hope this will be a useful resource for families, helping us to continue working together to keep our children safe, both in school and beyond.
As always, thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to another exciting half term of learning, progress and achievements at Gloucester House!

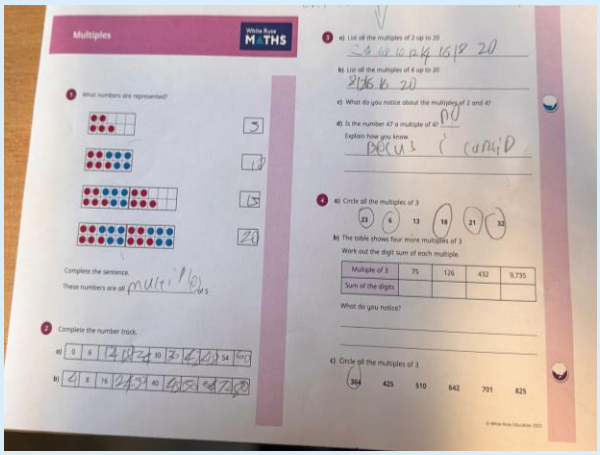
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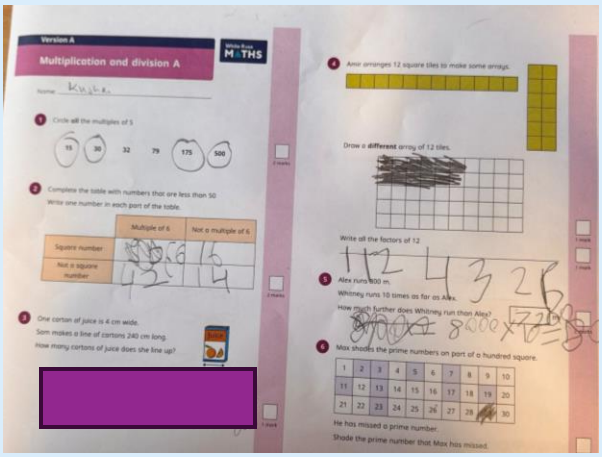
Workshare

This week in Mars Class, we have been learning about the traditional story of the Ramayana. We explored the story of Rama and Sita, discussing the key events and characters. We then planned our writing, organising our ideas before writing our retelling of the story. Children have impressed us with their excellent recall of key events and characters.



In Maths, pupils have been developing their understanding of multiplication and division using visual representations, arrays and number patterns. They have also been applying their knowledge of times tables to solve problems, identify number relationships and build confidence in their mathematical reasoning.





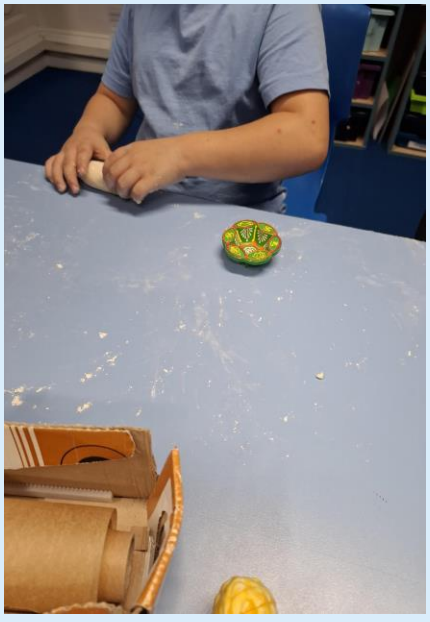
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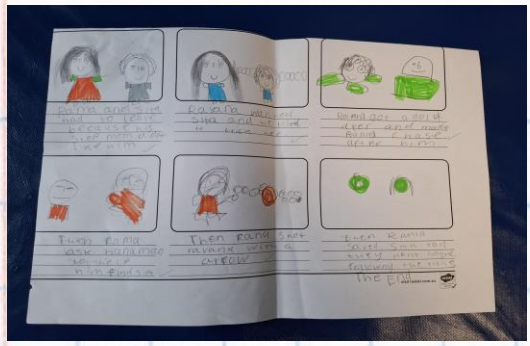
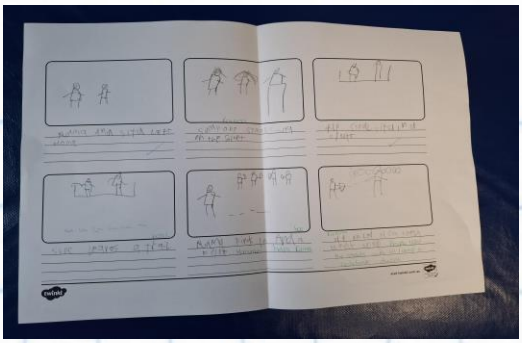
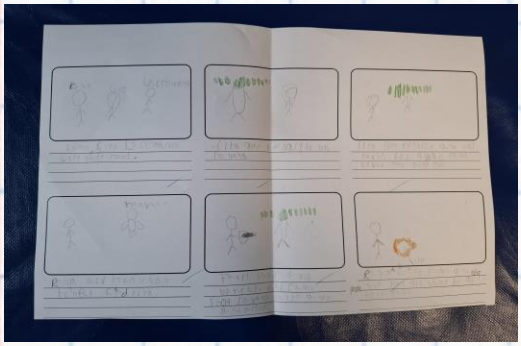
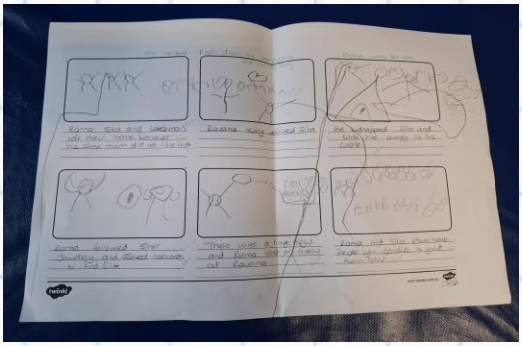


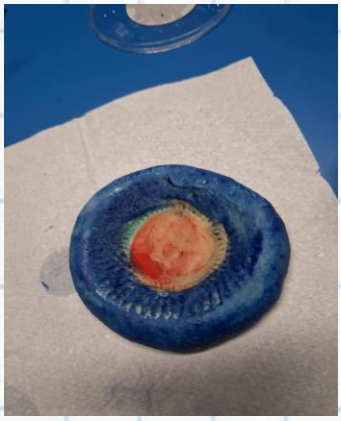






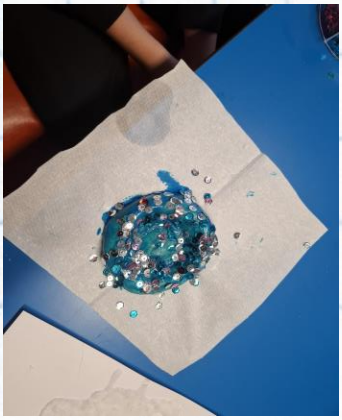
This week in Neptune Class we explored the Hindu festival Diwali also known as the festival of lights and learnt about the story of Rama and Sita.
We then created salt dough diyas.



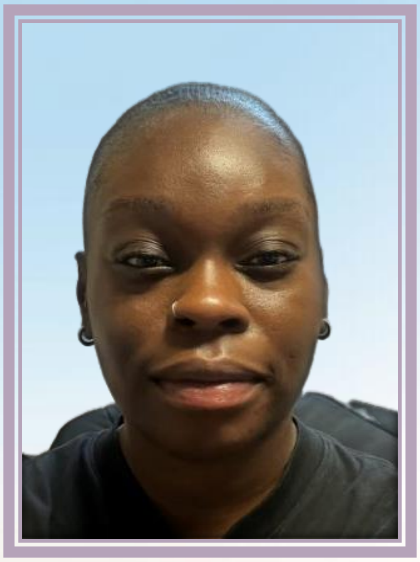


Work share




Saturn Class have been learning about the story of Diwali. Also about Rama and Sita. We planned the story of Rama and Sita. We also made diya lamp and also Kengali patterns.

Meet our new starter, Dee



I'm Dee, and I'm really happy to be joining Neptune Class as the new Progress Support Worker.

I have previous experience working in special educational needs, supporting children and young people with a range of needs. I'm passionate about helping every child feel supported, valued and encouraged to reach their potential.

Outside of work, I enjoy travelling, exploring new places and spending quality time with my family.

Local Offer

Please find below some information for the SEND Local offer for each borough we have children living in.

There is help and support for a range of things including everything from activities to information explaining the support available to you and your child and where to go for independent advice.

Camden

https://families.camden.gov.uk/send-local-offer/

Haringey

https://haringey.gov.uk/children-young-people-families/send-local-offer

Brent

https://www.brent.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/send-local-offer

Barnet

https://www.barnetlocaloffer.org.uk/

Kindness Champion



This week we had 1 Kindness Champions from Neptune

Well done to the pupil that has shown kindness to other pupils and adults!

Attendance

We are pleased to share that attendance the week before half term was 85% which is good.

Reminder: **Reporting Pupil Absences**

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, please telephone or email the school by 9:00am on the day of their absence.

Our school number is 0207 794 3353

This is an important part of safeguarding procedures and helps us ensure that all children are safe and accounted for.

Safeguarding Corner

Keeping Our Children Safe

This Week's Focus: Understanding Bullying

What is Bullying?

Bullying is repeated behaviour intended to hurt, intimidate or upset someone, often involving an imbalance of power.

It can be:

- **Verbal** – name-calling, teasing or threats.
- **Physical** – hitting, pushing or hurting others.
- **Social** – excluding others or spreading rumours.
- **Online** – hurtful messages or online harassment.

Not every disagreement or isolated incident is bullying, but all unkind or harmful behaviour is taken seriously.



Understanding the Roles in Bullying

Instigator	Starts or leads the bullying.
Target	Experiences the bullying.
Reinforcer	Encourages or joins in.
Bystander	Sees bullying but doesn't act.
Upstander	Speaks up, supports others or seeks help from a trusted adult.

Introducing Our Upstander Award!

This half term, we are introducing an **Upstander Award** to recognise children who show kindness and courage by speaking up against bullying, supporting others and choosing not to join in.

How Can Parents and Carers Help?

- ✅ Talk to your child about friendships and kindness.
- ✅ Discuss the different roles in bullying.
- ✅ Encourage your child to be an **upstander** by seeking help from a trusted adult.
- ✅ Contact the school if you have any concerns.

Together, we can make Gloucester House a safe, kind and supportive place for everyone.