



HAYTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter: 8th March 2024

"Mighty oaks from little acorns grow"

Information and Reminders

World Book Day—Books about Diversity

What a day! Thank you to you all for your 'patience' in undertaking some quite tricky and demanding costume making! The children looked amazing and had a fabulous day celebrating all things books!

As part of our day, we looked at books with Diverse themes. We have written a World Book Day newsletter (attached) to explain more about this.

Today, the whole school read, discussed and studied the book, 'Between Tick and Tock' by Louise Greig. What would you do if you could stop time? What would you do between the 'tick' and the 'tock'? This book will launch our school's Science week next week which is also British Science Week - the theme this year is 'TIME'.

World Book Day—Competition

As well as the World Book Day newsletter, we also attach a fun competition—this has also been sent home in bookbags. Have a go over the weekend and hand into school by Tuesday next week.

World Book Day - Book Gifts for Our Children.

This year, each child has been given a book as a gift from school. It's a little something from us to you—we hope they enjoy it.

This Week's Big Question is, "What and how do we celebrate?"

This week, we looked at different celebrations from different traditions and how they were celebrated, before thinking about our own World Book Day celebrations today. Please continue the conversation with your child at home—see attached information.

School Attendance—letter from Cumberland Local Authority

Please see the attached letter sent from the Assistant Director for Education at Cumberland Local Authority. She states that we cannot authorise holiday absences during term time.

Online Safety

Please see attached this month's Online Safety newsletter. This can also be found on our website.

Diary Dates

March 2024:

W/c 11th March—National Science Week

Sat 23rd—Lanercost Cross Country, starting 10.30am

Fri 22nd—Shackleton Roman trip

Wed 27th—whole school ROTAKIDS day—more info to follow soon

Thu 28th —school term ends 2.30pm

April 2024:

Tue 16th April—Summer Term starts

May 2024:

Fri 3rd —Non-uniform day in school in exchange for HCP tombola prize.

Mon 6th—Bank Holiday

Sat 11th—PTA Wine Tasting Evening, 7pm-9pm, Hayton Reading Rooms

Mon 13th to Thu 16th—KS2 SATs Week

Sun 19th—Hayton Open Gardens

Fri 24th—break up for Half Term today.

June 2024:

Mon 3rd—back to school today

Wed 5th—class photographs

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**Proverbs 22: 6 "Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it. "**



Information and Reminders

EY and KS1 End Of Day

Please can we politely request that families with children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 make a swift exit after pick-up at the end of the day to enable more parking for the parents of KS2 children, who have a slightly later end of the day? Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

End of the Day—Supervision

We have noticed a number of children who, after being passed over to their adult at the end of the day, are climbing onto and over the church railings. This is dangerous and could cause a significant injury. Please can we ask that you keep your child with you once they have been collected. Thank you again for your assistance with this.

Lanercost Cross Country Event—Saturday 23rd March

A reminder that this year's Cross Country event at Lanercost will take place on Saturday 23rd March. The first race will start at 10.30am in the field adjacent to Lanercost Cricket Club and the event is open to any child in EYFS, KS1 and KS2 who would like to compete. More details will follow nearer the time, but please keep the date free if your child/ren would like to participate.

PTA Wine Tasting—Sat 11th May, 7pm-9pm, Hayton Reading Rooms

Hayton School's PTA is holding a Wine Tasting Event on Saturday 11th May. It will be a great evening with 7 wines to taste, a charcuterie board, live music, a bar and a silent auction! Tickets are available to purchase via the PTA. See the attached poster for further details.

The evening is open to the public for anyone to book. However, there will only be a limited number of tickets available.

These events raise vital funds for the school and all monies raised go towards benefiting the children. Charlotte Draper (Chair), on behalf of the PTA, would like to thank for your support.

A 'HEADS UP'

Our Year 6 RotaKids are busy organising an end of term fund-raising event for the whole school. There will be more details to follow soon...

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Milk Orders for Next Term

If you would like to order milk for your children for the 1st half of the Summer Term (16th April – 24th May 2024) the cost for milk will be £7.84. This works out at 28p per carton per day. Orders must reach school by Friday 15th March 2024. Please email your order to office@hayton.cumbria.sch.uk and payment (if applicable) will be made on School Gateway.

If any children will still be under 5 or are entitled to Free School Meals then they are entitled to free milk, if required. Please email the above email address if you would like to take advantage of this.

Any queries please email office@hayton.cumbria.sch.uk.

Change of Online Payment System

A reminder that we will be in the process of changing our online payment systems over the Easter holidays.

With this in mind, while the residential payments for April can remain until 5th May, all other outstanding payments/clubs must be cleared by 1st April 2024. Any credits will be transferred to the new system.

The new system will allow you to make card payments, if you wish to do so, instead of having to wait 10-14 days for the money to leave your bank account.

If you have any queries or issues with the above, please contact Mrs McDonough who will be happy to help you.

Reminder—Last week for Teacher Led Clubs

The last week for teacher led clubs this term is W/C 18th March.

Nursery Sessions 2024_2025

If you have not already done so, and would like to book a place for your child at our Nursery for the next academic year, please contact Mrs Hattrell (admin@hayton.cumbria.sch.uk) in the school office.

July 2024:

Mon 1st to Wed 3rd—
Y3/Y4 Residential

Sat 13th—PTA Summer
Fair

Fri 19th—school breaks
up for Summer at
2.30pm

March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

LEAVE OF ABSENCE IN TERM TIME

Absence from school due to family holidays taken in term time can be disruptive to children's education. It can also be disruptive to other pupils in the class. In addition, I am concerned that there could be some misunderstanding of the law in relation to absence from school because of holidays taken during term time.

Any absence from school should be avoided unless for medical reasons, as it can have a serious effect on your child's educational progress, and can create difficulties for them on their return to school, particularly if they are joining a new school or class. It is important to note that only the Headteacher can authorise absence from school. Parents/carers cannot authorise the absence themselves.

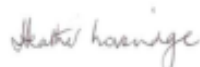
Changes to legislation have removed the discretionary 10 day period of absence which covered family holidays. Schools can only grant requests for a leave of absence in term time in exceptional circumstances. If you believe that your circumstances are exceptional you can make a request to the school. In considering your request, the school will take into account the child's age, the time of year of the absence and the nature of the visit. The Headteacher will also consider the child's stage of education and progress and the child's overall attendance record. It is highly unlikely that leave will be authorised if examinations or other important tests will be missed. Headteachers will not authorise absence unless they believe your circumstances are exceptional. In all cases it is best to have a discussion with the Headteacher in order to look at the issues as they affect your child.

All unauthorised absences, including holidays that have not been sanctioned by the Headteacher, are accumulated and parents who fail to ensure regular attendance of their children at school can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice. The amount is £60 if paid within 21 days and £120 if paid between 21 and 28 days. It is therefore essential that parents take this into account if they are thinking of a family holiday in term-time.

The Department for Education define persistent absenteeism as below 90% attendance and schools may wish to use this figure to determine whether or not to pursue legal action such as the issuing of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Many people are working very hard to help your child to succeed. I trust you will support us in this matter, in partnership with your child's school.

Yours sincerely



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Online Safety Newsletter

March 2024

Managing Screen time from Internet Matters

Are you worried your child has too much screentime or would like more advice on how to support your child in managing their screen time? Internet Matters have a wealth of information on their website to help support you.

This first link discusses how to get the most out of screen time and how to talk to your child about screen time based on their age:

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time/protect-your-child>

This second link provides advice on how to tackle too much screen time and what the signs of too much screen time might be:

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time/deal-with-it/>

This final link provides a guide on how to balance screen time:

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/creating-a-balanced-digital-diet-with-screen-time-tips/>



Fortnite Battle Royale

Fortnite Battle Royale is rated PEGI 12 because it features moderate violence which means it is not suitable for persons under 12 years of age.

It is important to remember that when rating games, PEGI do not take into consideration the communication features of a game. Fortnite does include a chat facility, which adds further risks.



What is Fortnite?

There are different versions of Fortnite, including Battle Royale, which is free to play (although in-app purchases are available). In Battle Royale up to one hundred players compete against each other.

What do I need to be aware of?

- **Chatting to strangers and inappropriate language:** Fortnite contains voice and text chat. Due to the nature of the game, your child may be chatting to strangers and may hear inappropriate language. Ensure your child knows how to report players for any inappropriate behaviour.
- **In app purchases:** All users can purchase V-Bucks directly through the game so make sure you don't store your card details within the game/device and restrict purchases.

Parental Controls

Fortnite includes several parental controls to help you make it a safer environment for your child including disabling voice chat, filtering language and setting privacy settings. **Also, remember to set up age-appropriate parental controls on the device your child is playing on.**

Further information

Virgin Media outline how to set up the different parental controls available: <https://www.virginmedia.com/blog/parental-controls/gaming-fortnite>

Does your child need a mobile phone?

If you are thinking about giving your child their own phone, then you might find this article from Family Lives useful as it discusses things you need to consider:

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/advice/primary/health-and-development/does-your-child-need-a-mobile-phone>

Instagram

You will probably know that Instagram is used to post photos and videos, but did you know that it can also be used to message, voice/video call and send disappearing messages? Users can also upload to 'Stories' (which disappear after 24 hours), broadcast live and upload reels (short videos).

You must be over 13 years of age to set up an account. To create an account, you must enter a date of birth (but it is not verified). *When you set up an account for users under 16 years old, the account is set to Private. This is the recommended setting so that your child approves who follows them and sees their content.* Even if your child's profile is private, their bio (at the top of their profile) can still be seen by **everyone**. Check they have not included personal information here e.g. they should not be wearing their school uniform in their photo.

Instagram includes several privacy settings, so go through these with your child and ensure they are set appropriately. Settings include:

- Messages/Group chats – set who can message you/add you to groups.
- Story replies – you can turn this off or choose who can message you.
- Hidden words – turn this option on to hide comments/messages that may be offensive. You can also add your own custom words or emojis.

Make sure your child understands that there is a risk that content they upload can be shared with others without their permission as other users can screenshot it.

Supervision

You can set up supervision on your child's (aged 13-17) Instagram account. This gives you access to a set of tools including the ability to see who they follow/who follows them, how much time they are spending on Instagram, set a time limit and view accounts your child has blocked. Your child can also share when they have reported anything to Instagram with you. Learn more here: <https://help.instagram.com/658522825492278>

Safety Features

Ensure your child knows how to report posts and people, how to unfollow and block people, delete and turn off comments. View here: <https://help.instagram.com/269765046710559>

Quiet mode

Your child can activate quiet mode, so they do not receive notifications (to provide less distraction whilst studying and at night time).

How can I keep my child safe on Instagram?

The NSPCC have published a blog with everything that you need to know: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/keeping-children-safe-on-instagram/>

More information

- Visit the family centre to learn more about the features available: <https://familycenter.instagram.com/>
- Download a parent's guide to Instagram: <https://help.instagram.com/299484113584685>

Do you need help managing your child's device?

You can use Google Family Link or Apple Family Sharing to help you depending on your child's device.

Google Family Link

This is a parental control app from Google that lets you:

- See activity reports showing how long they spend on each app.
- Approve or block new app downloads.
- Set screen time limits.
- Find their location (using their device).

You will need to download an app and then decide appropriate settings.

<https://families.google.com/familylink>

Apple Family Sharing

You can set up Family Sharing in the settings of your device. Family Sharing allows you to:

- Share Apple subscriptions.
- Share purchases from the App Store.
- Approve what children purchase/download.
- Limit screen time.
- Share locations and find devices.

<https://www.apple.com/uk/family-sharing/>

Monitoring Apps (paid for)

In addition, there are apps that you can pay for that you may find provides a better solution for you. Whilst we cannot recommend a specific product, these are some examples that you could review and test using a free trial:

- Norton Family: <https://uk.norton.com/products/norton-family>
- Qustodio: <https://www.qustodio.com/en/>
- Family Time: <https://familytime.io/>

Friends of Hayton PTA presents...

Wine Tasting at the Captain's Table

*Dress for a
night at the
Captain's table*

**FUNDRAISER AND
SILENT AUCTION**

- Taste test 7 wines
- Charcuterie board
- Bar throughout
- Silent auction
- Live music

Reading Rooms

Hayton CA8 9HT

MAY 11th
**7:00 P.M.
9:00 P.M.**

For tickets please contact

Charlotte Draper

Tel: 07738103623

Email: cdraper@hayton.cumbria.sch.uk

All proceeds will benefit the Charity Friends of Hayton
Primary School PTA

Tickets £15pp

Whole tables available





WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

BOOKS WITH DIVERSE THEMES



In December 2023, all our children took part on the 'Virtual Lakeland 100 Challenge'.

Over the week the children accrued a massive 129 miles!

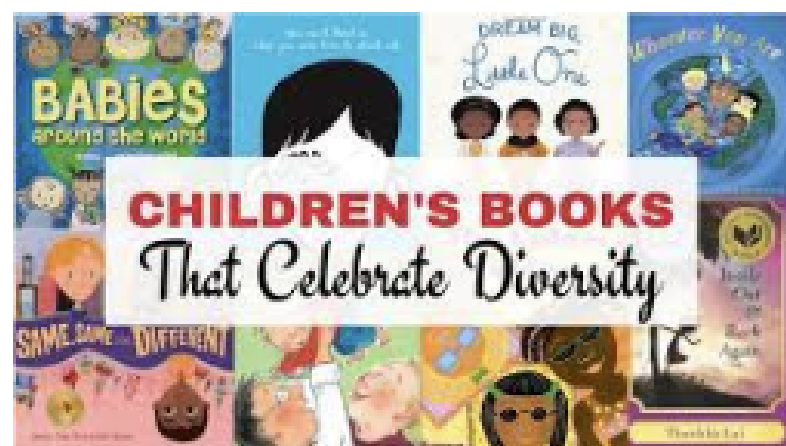
This was organised by Mrs. Scott who is an avid fell runner and fitness lover.

We were lucky enough, as part of this, to win a range of fiction and non-fiction books for our school!

We chose books with diverse themes as we believe we are a nurturing and inclusive school, where we want to educate our children about the rich tapestry of life and where differences are celebrated.

We sing about being part of 'God's Big Family' in our worship time where everyone is unique in their own special ways. These books will support us further in our mission to ensure our children can both celebrate and understand diversity and uniqueness, in all its forms.

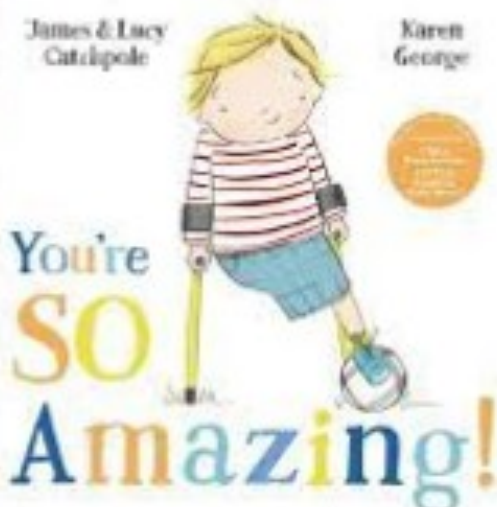
We would like to share with you some of these rich texts - we hope your children choose to bring them home to read with you too.





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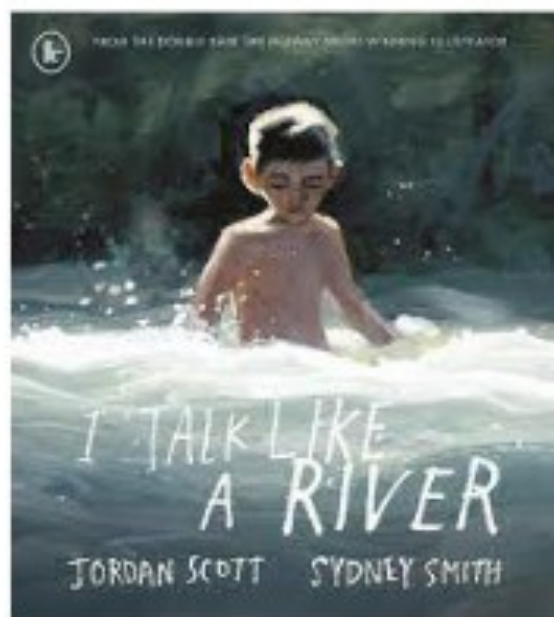
BOOKS WITH DIVERSE THEMES



This is called 'a ground-breaking book' which explores how we respond to a disability. When people meet Joe they often treat him as Amazing Joe or Poor Joe. But can't he just be..... Joe?

What if the words get stuck in your mouth every time you try to speak?

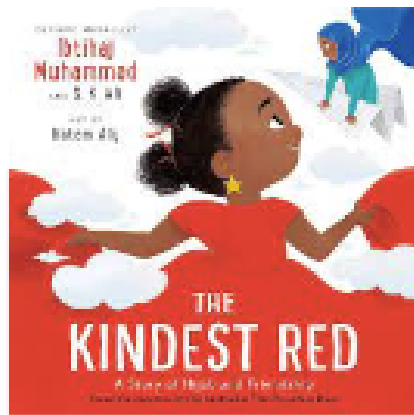
A tale about a boy with a stammer and how he finds his voice.





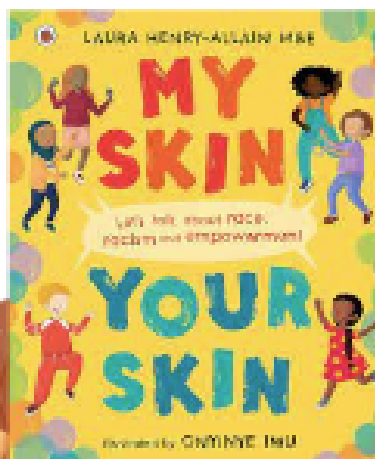
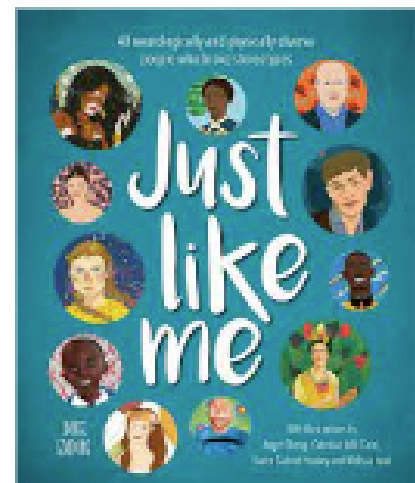
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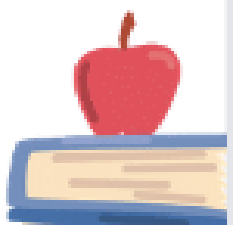


What kind of world do you want? Faizah wants a kind world, as special as her sister's hijab. Faizah discovers that acts of kindness can come back to you in many beautiful ways.

The world is full of different and unique people. Our uniqueness is what makes us all stand out and makes us who we are. this book celebrates uniqueness and diversity in many forms through many famous people – including Harry Potter!



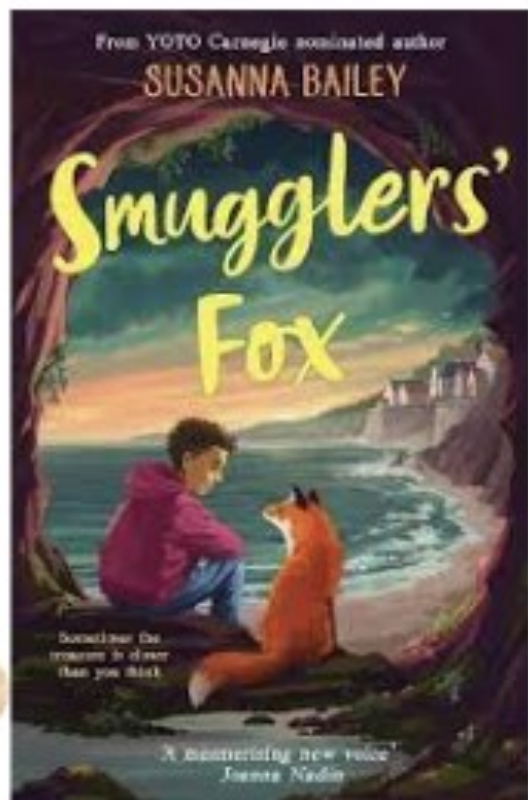
This is a powerful book to help children and adults have meaningful discussions about race and anti-racism. Most of all, it empowers children to be the best versions of themselves.





WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

BOOKS WITH DIVERSE THEMES



Jonah and Rio are taken into care after their Mum disappears. Jonah hates the sea! His foster carers live by the sea! However, adventures await...

Felix's ADHD makes it difficult for him to concentrate and his grades are slipping. Everyone keeps telling him to try harder but no one knows how hard it is!

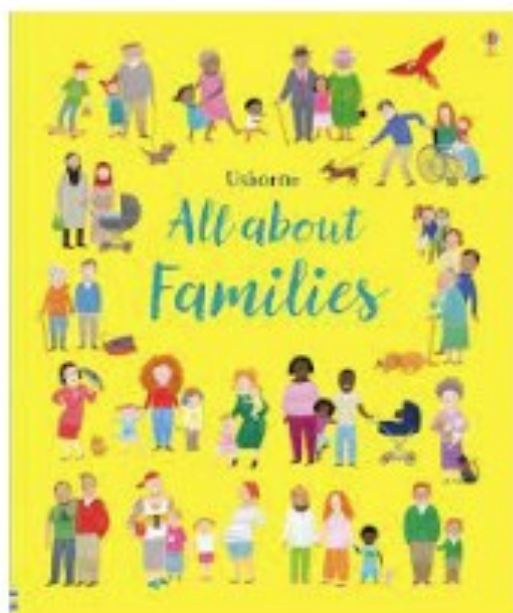
Felix goes to stay with Grandad and finds learning in a different way...





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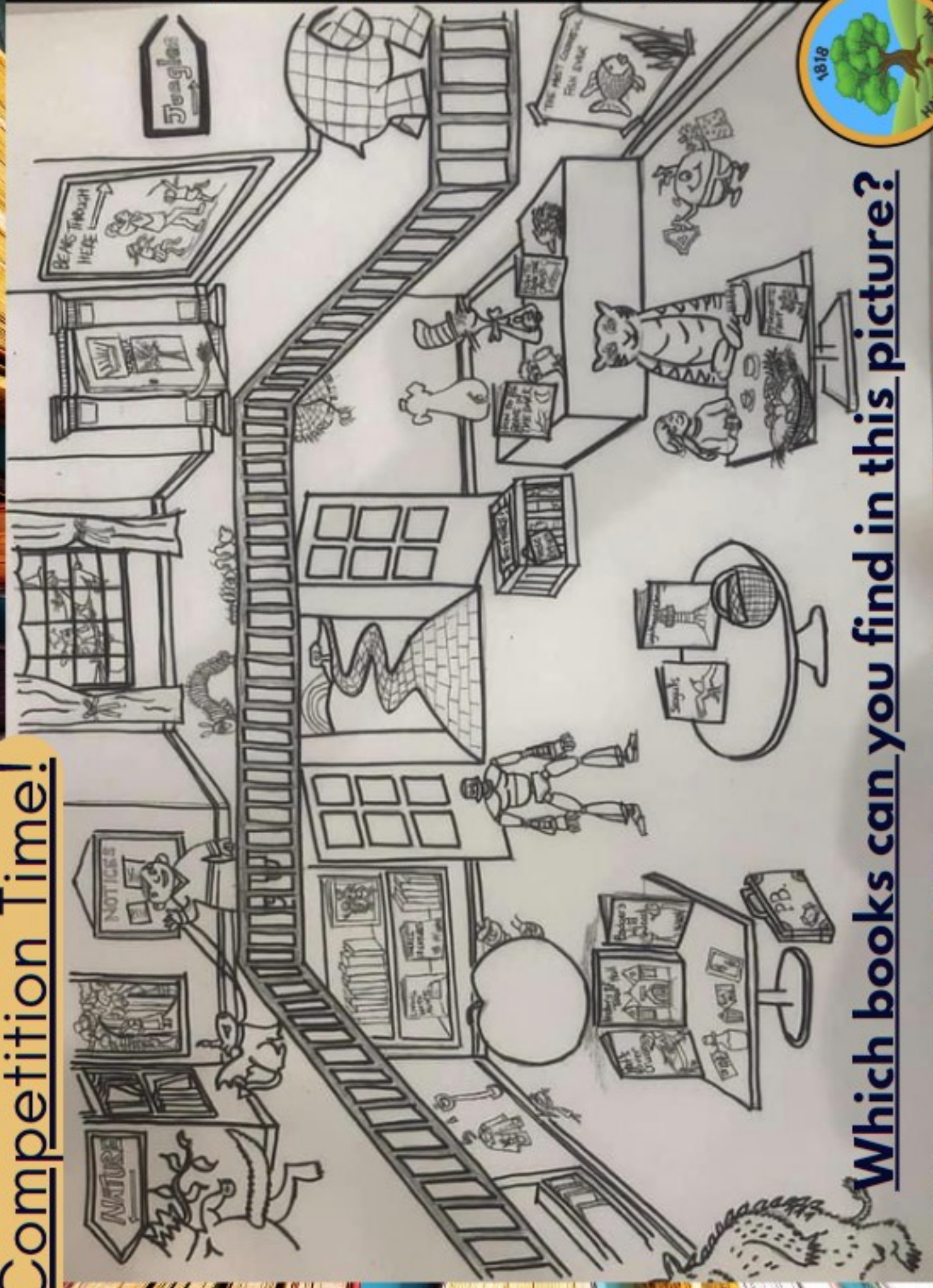
What do families look like? What are they for and what do they do? These are just some of the many questions answered in this glorious celebration of family diversity.

'Take One Book' at Hayton

What would you do if you could make time stand still? what would you do between the 'tick' and the 'tock'? While the city sleeps, Liesel carries out many small acts of kindness to breath colour, life and happiness back into the city.



Competition Time!



Which books can you find in this picture?



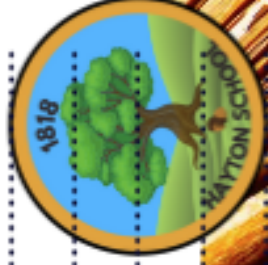
World Book Day 2024 - Competition Time!

NAME: **YEAR:**

Make a list of all the children's books you can find in the picture.

Who knows how many there are? All correct entries will be put into a hat and one will be drawn at random to win a 'bookishly' amazing prize!

Entries to be handed in to the office by Tuesday 12th March.





LITTLE ACORNS PRE-SCHOOL

at Hayton C of E Primary School

'STAY AND PLAY' SESSIONS

Ages 0 - 4, including current Nursery children welcome

Tuesday mornings

9.15-10.15am

No charge but any cake donations to have with a coffee would be greatly appreciated!



RESTARTING 9TH JANUARY 2024

To book, please call 01228 670491
or email: admin@hayton.cumbria.sch.uk

TAKEHOME



How do you think World Book Day should be celebrated?

In the news this week

Across the UK and Ireland, the charity, World Book Day, will be holding its annual celebration on Thursday 7th March. The day is a chance to celebrate and encourage reading in schools and homes. Children are more likely to enjoy reading when they have greater control over what they read and when there is an emphasis on fun, the charity believes. Many schools choose to recognise the day by encouraging children to dress up as their favourite book characters, bringing in their favourite books and holding other reading activities in school.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Does your school recognise World Book Day? What do you do? Do you enjoy the activities?
- > What other ways do you think we can encourage people to read? Do you enjoy reading? Do you think it's important for people to read more?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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