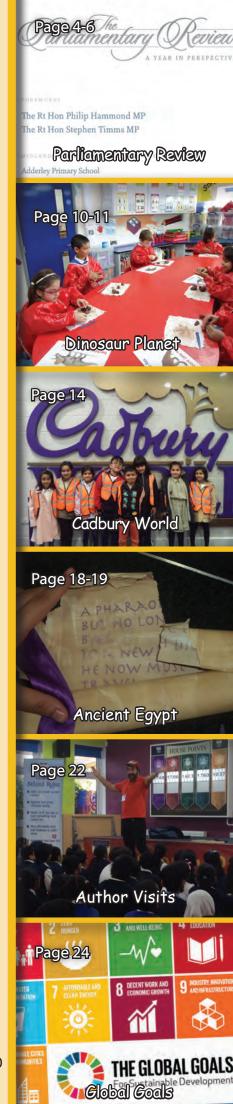


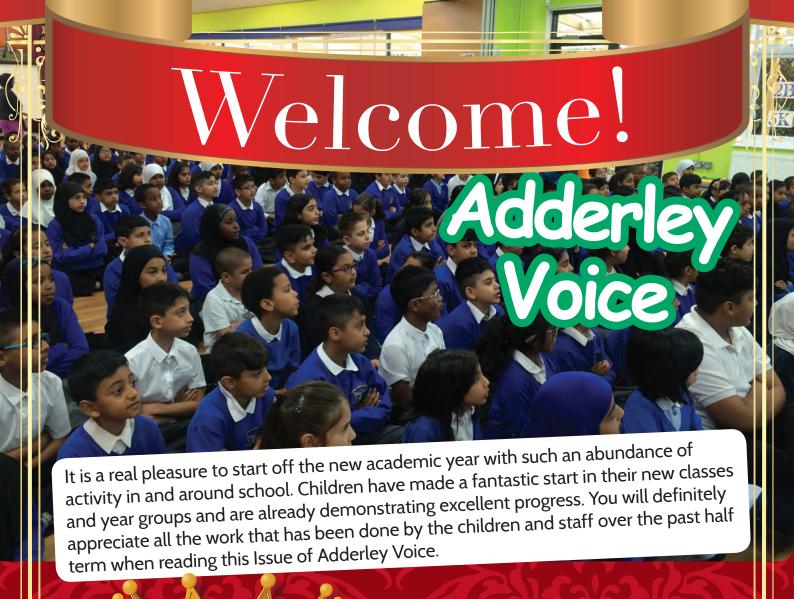




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A letter from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Children opened up a very special envelope in Assembly this month! It was a letter from The Queen saying a big thank you to all our children for writing to her and sending her cards on her Birthday! Well done to our children for a splendid job!



Furthermore, we have had the privilege of being recognised as a best practice school by the government and we have been featured in the Primary Edition of the Parliamentary Review which you can read on pages 4-6. This is wonderful news for everyone that has contributed to the success of Adderley Primary School over the recent years. I would like to express my gratitude to the whole school community that has worked tirelessly in order for us to receive this accolade.

Mrs Rizvana Darr Head Teacher







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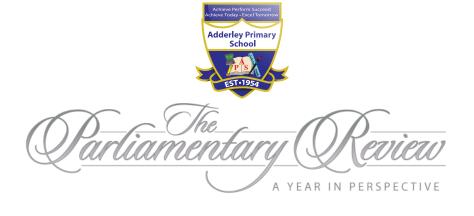
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Each year the government publish a 'Parliamentary Review' for Primary Education which seeks to showcase outstanding or significantly improving schools in a report aimed at highlighting best practice and raising standards in Primary Education. Only a distinct number of schools across the country are featured each year. We are extremely proud to have been featured as a leading school in the 2015/2016 Primary Education Edition of the Parliamentary Review.

This is excellent news for everyone involved with Adderley Primary School and a real honour to be recognised by the government for the incredible work that has been undertaken over recent years by both the children and the staff.

By 2009 Adderley Primary School had a very high turnover of Head Teachers in just 10 years. No Head Teacher served a substantial period. There was no stability. This coupled with the school being subject to special measures previously and attainment well below the national average, the school was in need of urgent change in practice. In April 2009 a determined new Head Teacher, Rizvana Darr, took over and began the intense journey to school improvement with her newly appointed dynamic leadership team. The strategic leadership had an almost immediate effect, eradicating a legacy of underachievement and restoring stability to a very turbulent school. Two years in, the school received an Ofsted rating of 'Good' with an accolade of 'Outstanding' for leadership.

Adderley is a large community school in inner-city Birmingham with 99% of its pupils coming from ethnic minority backgrounds, predominantly Pakistani and Somali, with a recent influx of Romanian pupils. 92% of pupils cite English as an additional language and of these a significant number have, at best, fragmentary English. Notably, a large number of newly arrived pupils from Eastern Europe have no previous schooling and require elementary training on arrival.

Nevertheless, standards in English and mathematics are above the national average and children are making outstanding progress. With above half of the children in receipt of the Pupil Premium, disadvantaged pupils achieve better at Adderley than similar pupils nationally.

REPORT CARD

- » Head Teacher: Rizvana Darr
- » Deputy Heads: Anila Ashraf & Afzal Hussain
- 630 children from more than24 nationalities
- » 31 Teachers
- » 27 Teaching Assistants
- » 57% eligible for Pupil Premium
- » High school deprivation:80th percentile nationally



Parliamentary review



a highly constructive and ambitious dialogue between our senior leaders and our governing body to move the school forward.



What were the key instruments for school improvement?

Replenishment of staff. Our belief is that people, not structures, are the most significant drivers of school improvement. Recruitment of committed and talented teaching staff was critical. The newly qualified teachers went through a rigorous induction and coaching process to ensure that they became good leaders of learning for all children. There was a change of culture and mindset. Senior leaders worked relentlessly on this to make sure that the children were getting the best deal.

Investment in staff development.

Development of teaching and leadership were central to rapid improvement. Our governors invested heavily in professional development programmes for all staff. A coaching model was swiftly put in place and underperformance was combatted. We introduced a Leadership Academy to tackle a key issue around developing middle leadership that had been raised by Ofsted at the time. This raised expectations and consistency throughout the school.

Development of a consistent approach. Effective and robust
monitoring systems for learning and
teaching, attendance and behaviour,
were all put in place in order to enhance
these fundamental cornerstones of dayto-day practice. Systems and routines
were embedded throughout the school
to ensure that staff could focus in on
the quality of provision and the impact
was measured at all levels.

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Effective pedagogical practices. In order to achieve personalised learning we redesigned the curriculum to one that promoted children's engagement in learning through enquiry-led approaches involving exploration, risk taking and discovery. This innovative delivery of a broader curriculum, including the targeted use of school resources, reinvigorated our teachers to link learning in the classroom with the world outside the classroom door and, hence, children were better able to transfer their skills between disciplines leading to higher achievement.

Establishing a culture of high

expectations. We expected excellence in all adults who served our children and held them accountable, basing every decision on what was best for our children. Rigorous performance management systems and regular discussions with staff about pupil progress spurred productivity and ensured that academic expectations were subsequently raised.

Building school-community partnership. Having established the school on more solid foundations with an explicit improvement agenda and an ethos of a strong partnership-approach, the leadership team gained its credibility in the community and thus saw a vast difference in how the parents were now engaging positively with the school. The impact of parental engagement was apparent instantly. Parents were encouraged to share their opinions and ideas to ensure that their children were getting the best possible education.



Parliamentary review

How has the school built on its success?

There is always a highly constructive and ambitious dialogue between our senior leaders and our governing body to move the school forward. Under their visionary leadership and dedication from all staff, a year-on-year upward trend in standards has been maintained. Children enter Reception (EYFS) with attainment well below age-related expectations. By the time they leave in year six, attainment is well above average in reading, writing and mathematics.

All our leaders of learning are judged to be good or outstanding. We have a passionate and committed team of class teachers with specialist language and PE teachers, skilfully supported by our teaching assistants, pastoral team and the DSEN and EAL departments. Our children are at the heart of the school; from practically designing the school to taking up one of the many leadership roles open to them.

We love to involve our children in key aspects of school improvement. Our fifteen pupil leader teams are trained to help in delivering this vision through working alongside the Strategic Leadership Team in making important decisions, voicing opinions and ideas to improve learning and teaching and

promote good behaviour and safety. All classes have 'Class Ambassadors' who hold weekly assemblies actively seeking the views of other pupils. Pupil leaders have the opportunity to work with all staff members, from the School Office to the Site Managers, in making their school as special as can be.

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One of the striking features of Adderley is its visual learning environment. We pride ourselves in providing a stimulating environment for children to learn in and we strongly believe that the physical environment is the 'third teacher'. Our classrooms and corridors are designed to promote creativity and entice learning, as is our recently purpose-built art and design facility, the Creation Station, and our Radio Studio.

As a progressive school we recognise that languages are part of the cultural richness of our society and the fabric of the world in which we live and work. Foreign languages are taught across the school by specialist teachers of Italian and French. Additionally, a group of multilingual pupils take on the role of 'Language Ambassadors' engaging in activities involving newlyarrived children, helping them settle in and feel safe in their new school. They play an important part in helping new children with English as an additional language to build their confidence in





to realise their talents

We encourage our children to be future leaders with a strong academic base; children celebrate the diversity of our city and learn the importance of being a citizen who contributes to the wider community. We work closely with the charity 'Free The Children' and have hosted Youth Summits for local schools. This has enabled not only the children of Adderley but also children from the surrounding area to develop an awareness of global issues and have their voices heard in an attempt to make a difference in social justice throughout the world. What's more, the children have made regular visits to London to take part in events like 'We Day' and 'WHYFest', exploring how children's rights can be upheld, honouring the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

To cultivate entrepreneurship and social awareness, our children have business enterprise lessons in which they form their very own companies and learn to design, produce, market and sell their products and services. Children manage the school's own onsite 'Social Enterprise Hub', a unique idea where books, stationery and other educational goods are sold alongside healthy snacks during break times. It also houses a food bank and toy bank where families can donate items. As part of their enterprising projects, children have raised money for a wide variety of charities.

The inspirational children at Adderley are now receiving a high standard of education and life skills to enable them to become good citizens with a social conscience.

((Children celebrate the diversity of our city and learn the importance of being a citizen))



NANDIRNE

Our 'Digital Citizenship' curriculum helps children to be responsible when using devices such as laptops and iPads to access the internet. Your child has recently taken home their Class Internet Rules agreement which they devised with the children in their class. Please continue to supervise your child's internet usage at home.



E SAFETY

79% of 7-11 year olds nationally said they would tell their parent or carer if something worried them online. At Adderley, we take internet safety very seriously.

3 TOP TIPS FOR A SAFE INTERNET EXPERIENCE AT HOME



Make use of the parental controls on your home broadband and any internet-enabled devices. You can find out how at your internet provider's website or by visiting internetmatters.org.

SAFE SEARCH.

Use safe search engines such as swiggle.org or kids-search.com. Safe search settings can also be activated on Google and other search engines as well as YouTube. You can find out more at google.co.uk/safetycentre.

AGE APPROPRIATE MEDIA.

The age ratings that come with games, apps, films and social networks are a good guide to whether they're suitable for your child. The minimum age limit is 13 for several social networking sites, including Facebook and Instagram.

Here are some useful steps that you should help your child take:

- MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD KNOWS NOT TO SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION LIKE THEIR HOME PHONE NUMBER OR ADDRESS ONLINE
- ONLY TALK TO REAL LIFE FRIENDS OR FAMILY IF THEY ARE ON SITES WITH A SOCIAL MEDIA ELEMENT LIKE MOSHI MONSTERS OR CLUB PENGUIN
- **3** USE PRIVACY SETTINGS WHEREVER THEY EXIST TO KEEP THEIR INFORMATION PRIVATE
- BE A GOOD ONLINE FRIEND AND DON'T SAY NASTY THINGS EVEN IF IT'S JUST A JOKE
- USE SECURE AND LEGAL SITES TO DOWNLOAD MUSIC AND GAMES
- CHECK ATTACHMENTS AND POP UPS FOR VIRUSES BEFORE THEY CLICK OR DOWNLOAD ANYTHING
- USE PUBLIC FRIENDLY WIFI WHEN THEY'RE OUT AND ABOUT TO FILTER INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT





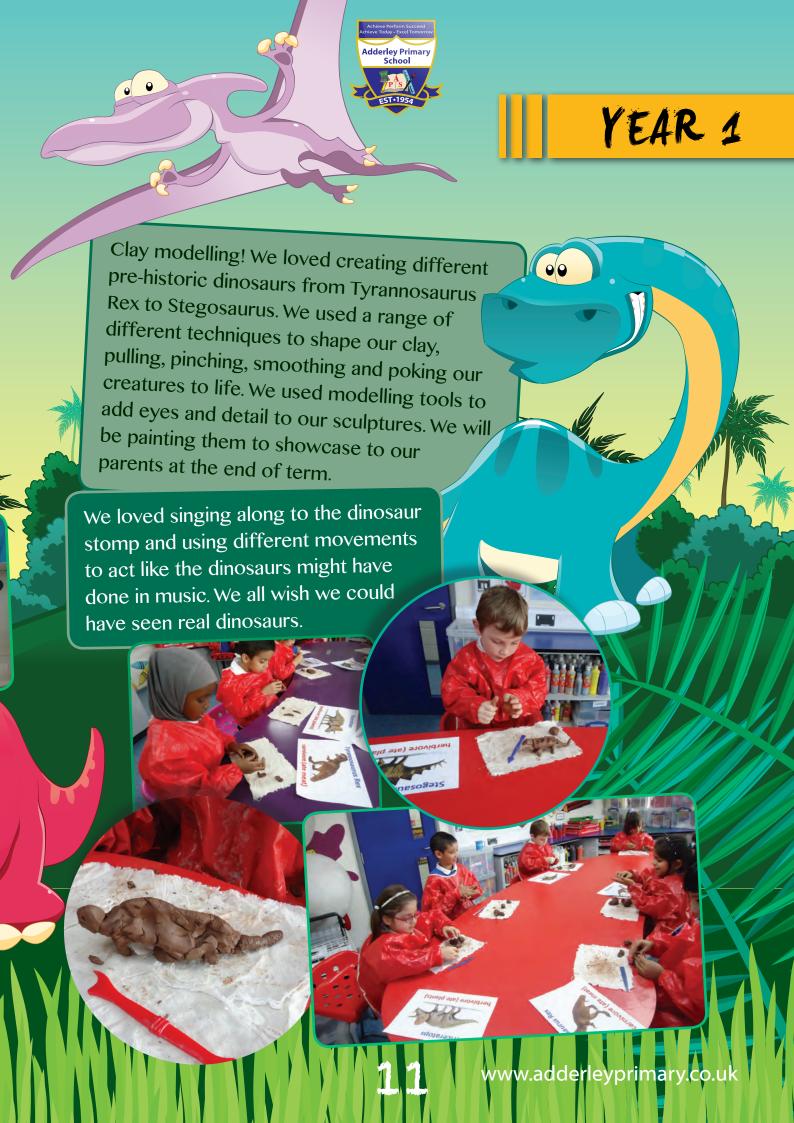




DINOSAUR PLANET

We have taken part in lots of dinosaur themed activities during our first term in Year One. We started off by following dinosaur foot prints to inspect eggs that we had found. We loved guessing what kind of creatures could have laid such big eggs. We liked creating colourful collages for our wall displays where we enjoyed creating an uneven texture, just like dinosaurs rough, scaly skin. Later on in the term are going to visit Dudley Museum to learn more about dinosaurs. We are super excited!













HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year we held
our Harvest Festival
with a special Harvest
Performance of 'The Little
Red Hen' by Year 2. Our Year
2 children put on a very special
assembly for everyone and
invited their parents to share
what they have been
learning about Harvest.



Well done Year 2!



Once again we were overwhelmed by all the generous donations by our children and families towards our Food Bank. We will be donating all the food to the homeless people of Birmingham.



The Scented Garden

Year 2 have been working on a project called 'The Scented Garden'. This project has really allowed us to get busy with our senses and explore plants in lots of different ways! We have helped to create a garden centre in our classrooms and you could smell the scents as you walked through the Year 2 corridor!

Year 2

saw lots of cacti.
Some were small
and round and some
were really tall and thin.
They were all prickly ap
sharp"

Ibrahim





"Every green house had a different smell. The tropical green house was the smelliest!"

Orchids are the largest

family of flowering plants!

Grapes are usually grown in the Mediterranean

Many desert plants have lots of spines and poison to protect their water

Did you know that some plants can bleed?
We found a plant called 'Dracaena Draco' or Dragon's Blood Tree. It is called this because it has a blood red resin in its stem. It is nearly extinct!







email

website

As part of our Design and Technology lessons we designed and made some delicious fruit smoothies!

Firstly, we planned and designed our smoothies, deciding on what lovely ingredients we wanted to use. Then we gathered our ingredients and our equipment and we headed to the creation station!



Bashiir said "Our teachers helped us to make our smoothies. We cut up our bananas and placed them in the blender. Then we scooped up some delicious ice cream and put that in too. Finally we blended our ingredients and added whipped cream on top! We then tasted our yummy creations and they were amazing!"



This lesson has helped us to understand that we can make healthy food still taste delicious and we will be making these at home!





Potions memorable experience day



For our new topic on Potions the children took part in an incredibly fun day of learning whilst being dressed up as witches and wizards. All of the children took part in a drama session. They also went to the forest school to collect resources for their potions. In class they made their very own potion. The children became witches and wizards to create a magic spell.



I have been learning
all about potions. My favourite
activity has been when we created our
own spells. I enjoyed dressing up as a
Harry Potter.

-Hamza-



I have really
enjoyed our new topic. My
best day so far has been our
memorable experience. I loved
making the potions.

-Sabeen-





rama and Music



usic I enjoy

playing the

keyboard. It is

really fun.

In Music the children have started learning an instrument. 40 have been learning how to play the keyboard. 4M are now learning how to play the Violin and 4K is beginning to learn how to play the cornet. The children are very enthusiastic, joining in singing and action songs.

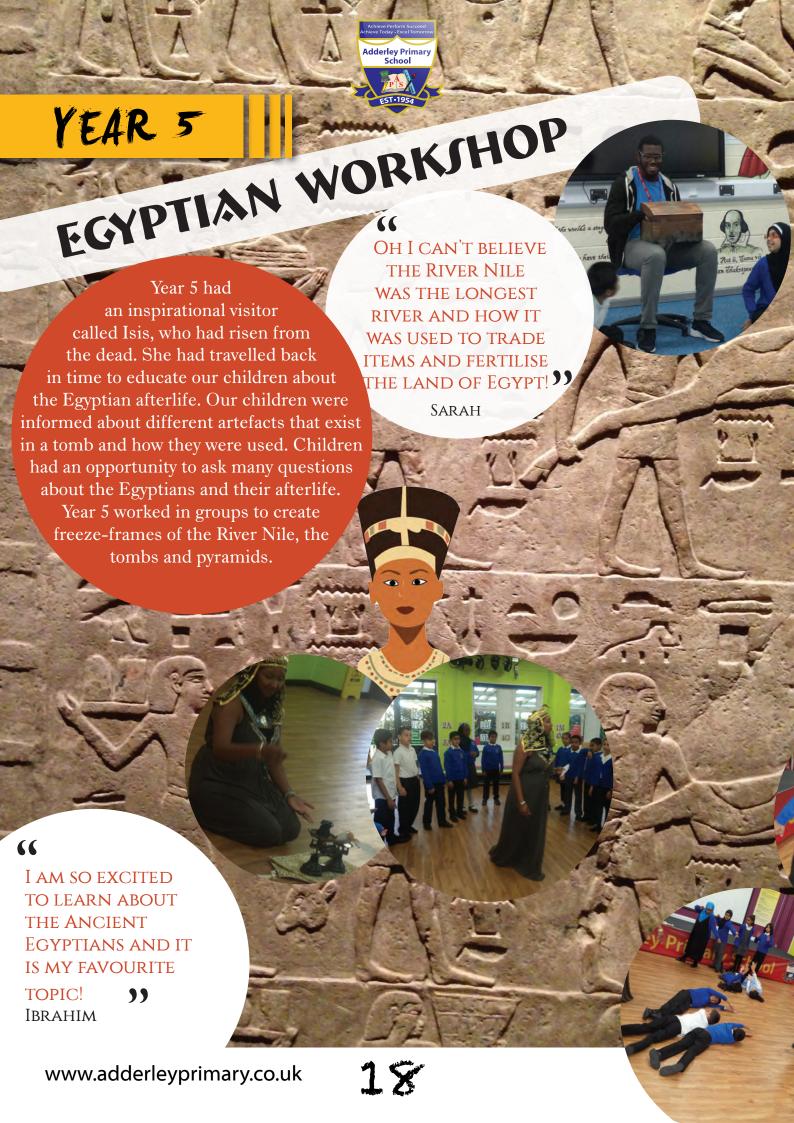
Our drama lessons are exciting! We have been role playing a scene from Dragons den. We created our own potion to sell to the dragons. Rahat-

In music I am really enjoying learning how to play the cornet. Even though, it is quite hard I am finding it good fun.

-Yumna-



For our topic children are taking part in drama activities with a professional Rep theatre performer. Year 4 are thoroughly enjoying their drama lessons. They are learning about how to project their voices, develop their confidence, as well as, developing their speaking and listening skills. The children have created their own potion, planned and performed their potion act in the style of dragons den.













As our ILP topic is Revolution, Year Six children experienced life as a Victorian child! We came to school dressed as Victorians and met our new, super strict teachers in our newly arranged classrooms! During the day, we wrote lines, practiced times tables – all using chalk and slate! It was very difficult but luckily none of us got the cane; however, some of us did experience the dunce cap. We took part in Victorian chores such as washing, outside, using a traditional washboard and used wooden pegs to hang it out; it was so hard and made us appreciate our modern-day technology! After this, we relaxed by playing traditional Victorian parlour games. Overall, we loved our Memorable Experience but are very glad we live in 2016!!

"We dressed up as Victorians to see how school was in this era – I learnt that the era was named after Queen Victoria! Did you know children used to have to sit in the corner if they were silly?"- Ayoub









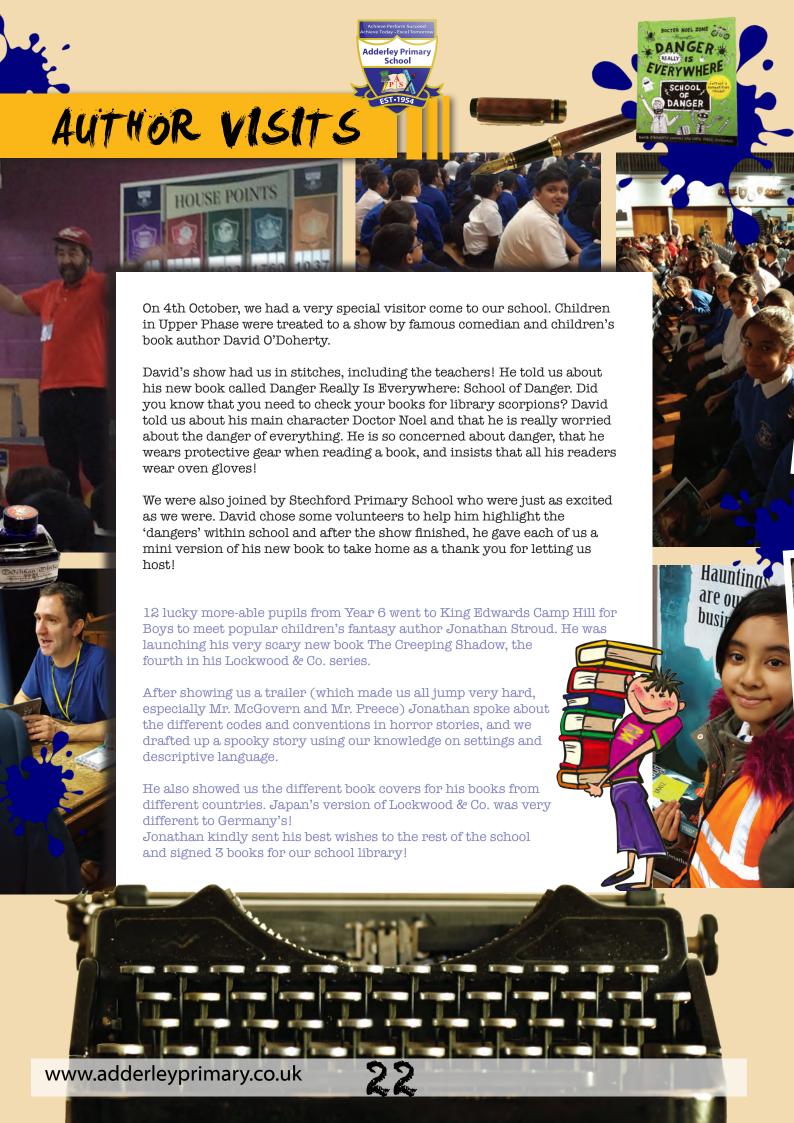


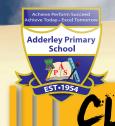


"I really hated wearing the dunce hat because all the visitors could see I had been naughty!

I loved writing with chalk and I wish we did this nowadays" — Alisha



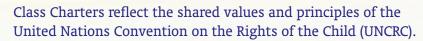




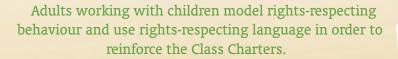
CLASS CHARTERS

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We have begun this year with a new set of Class Charters for our Rights Respecting Classrooms. All the children contributed to creating a charter (or agreement) based on the rights that were most important to them as a class. As a result, Class Charters are personalised and democratically negotiated. Adults working with children model rights-respecting behaviour and use rights-respecting language in order to reinforce the Class Charters.

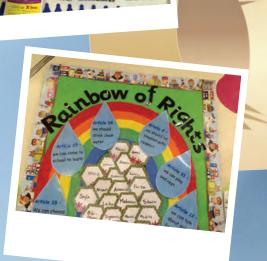


We also have Lunchtime Charters displayed in the school hall and playground. These clearly show what the children's and adults roles are in relation to the UNCRC.

Our school is now working towards achieving Level 1 as a UNICEF Rights Respecting School.













GLOBAL GOALS

THE GLOBAL GOALS For Sustainable Development

In September 2015, 193 world leaders agreed to 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development. If these Goals are completed, it would mean an end to extreme poverty, inequality and climate change by 2030.

FCONOMIC GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

At Adderley our Geography and PSHE curriculum incorporates The Global Goals. Children are provided a range of opportunities to express their views and help to make a difference in the world.



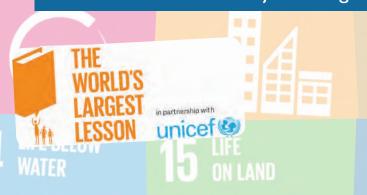
Recently all the children took part in the World's Largest Lesson where they gained an in-depth understanding about Goal 5 -Gender Equality.



THE GLOBAL GOALS

are based on The Global Goals and the Articles in the Convention of the Rights of the Child.

We will be letting you know how we progress towards achieving The Global Goals and would welcome your thoughts and suggestions so please let us know!









































Adderley Primary School MAAAAAAA Demogracy Week

During #LocalDemocracyWeek, the children took part in our school democracy week. This whole school initiative gave our children the opportunity to explore everything from the origins of democracy, democracy in action whilst developing their understanding of key themes such as government, leadership, voting and free speech.





A vast array of 'budding leaders' also took part in applying to be House Captains as part of Pupil Leadership. They had to find out what it means to be an excellent pupil leader and to start their campaign if they wanted to run for House Captain. Democracy week culminated with Class Manifesto's where children debated recent issues within the national

news and local government.

Our House system is a whole school initiative which drives positive attitudes and behaviour as part of Character Education. Your child is part of one of our values-based House Teams and they earn points for positive work and attitude.



Ensuring individuals or groups of individuals are treated fairly and equally and no less favourably



Having a modest view of one's importance. Having a clear perspective and respect for one's place.



To admire (someone or something) deeply, as a result of their abilities, qualities, achievements, wishes, feelings or rights.



The quality of being honest and having strong moral principles



- Give more funding to hospitals and less on publicising fast good and smoking.
- Educate children on how to stay active and healthy Give funding to after school clubs

- Expand the school day, but give only holiday.
- · Provide funding for holiday homework clubs.
 · Open more libraries for the people

- Harsher fines for Littering to preserve, protect wildlife More animal sanctuaries
- Embed environment preservation into school curriculum.



The concept of diversity encompasses acceptance and respect. It means understanding that each individual is unique; and recognising our individual differences





Adderley School has linked with the Birmingham Repertory Theatre and every Tuesday Philip Morris teaches drama to classes across the school. The dramas are linked to our ILP Topics; currently he is working with Y4 to create Magical Potions and Y5 to dramatise Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. On Tuesday 6th December, Y5 will be performing their Treasure Island play at the REP in Birmingham - a performance not to be missed! All of our classes will have an opportunity to work with Philip Morris during this academic year.



Birmingham Repertory Theatre



Philip Morris also runs a Drama Club on Tuesday after school. Children play drama games and learn to project their voices. It enables children to develop their confidence and to express their feelings, whilst having great fun.



On Friday 23rd September Miss Evans and 12 Year 5 children went to Billesley Indoor Tennis Centre to experience working as a Playleader. The course was run by Hannah Reed our School Games Organiser, as part of the Small Heath School PE and Sports Premium programme.

The hours they lead will be tracked and certificates will be awarded for their service at key points, 10, 20, 30 and 50 hours. At the end of the academic year, Hannah Reed will come to assess them with this leading to possible 'Playleader of the Year Award' at the Central Sports Partnership Awards Celebration Evening in June.

Well done Playleaders!

Playleaders

Each child was selected based on their leadership or their interest in sport and PE. They each have a certificate of completion of the training, a lanyard, a Playleader book and Playleader bib. Their role within the school will be to assist the PE team by leading mini games and activities during PE lessons and break and lunchtimes. The Playleaders will be delivering an assembly to explain to you what they will be doing, when and how to get involved.





Girls Football

Our Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Team took part in the Small Heath School tournament on 11th October. Our girls were the 'Brazil' team. There were over 40 schools that competed and we came THIRD in our group tournament! Well done to our girls and we'll keep you posted on future events!





Have a look at all the fantastic clubs Adderley has to offer!

After school clubs have changed slightly this year. On Fridays, Year 4, 5 and 6 children have been invited to sign up to be part of our Football or Basketball team. Miss Evans,

Mr Melia and Mr Brown each have a group of children and put them through their paces ready for competition!

Just a reminder, for any sports club you must bring your PE kit with you. You should bring your PE kit back to school ready for your next PE lesson. Clubs finish at 4:20

All our clubs help to develop children holistically, meet their individual needs and promote their health and wellbeing so that they can lead a fulfilling life.

TUESDAY

Drama (Invite Only)

WEDNESDAY

Year 5 & 6 Football

Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball

Year 3 & 4 Rugby

Year 4, 5 & 6 Reading

Year 5 & 6 Coding

Gardening (Invite Only)

THURSDAY

Year 3 & 4 Football

Year 5 & 6 Fitness

Year 1 & 2 Multi Sports

Year 2 & 3 Reading

Talented Artists (Invite Only)

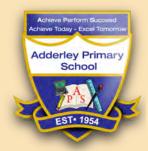
Eco Team (Invite Only)

French (Invite Only)

FRIDAY

EYFS & Year 1 Reading Year 3 & 4 Coding

Football & Basketball Team Training



"YOUR SAY, YOUR SCHOOL"

We welcome your feedback at Adderley Primary School, and would love to hear from you. Please share your views as a parent by clicking on the 'Ofsted Parent View' button under the 'Parents' menu of the school website. Additionally, you may want to fill in our online form - 'Your Say, Your School'.

We look forward to hearing from you all!