

## Shakespeare week – The show went on!



As the dark clouds of covid-19 are drifting away, Hollywood children are shining brighter than ever with their interpretation of the different themes of Shakespeare! Hollywood children would like to say 'good riddance' to all the performing arts constraints that lockdown brought and can safely say 'all that glitters in Hollywood, is **definitely** gold'. We are so proud of how the children have responded to this week and how they have embraced their creativity in a host of different ways.

In a very brief snapshot of the week, we've seen dynamic news reports about the treacherous Tempest voyage in year 6. They produced some fantastic artwork linked to the stormy seas of The Tempest.

Children in year 5 have been cooking up a 'hubble and a bubble' by creating exotic witches' potions and making Scottish tartan weaves in response to the amazing Macbeth. The year 5 team were able to coax some brilliant vocabulary from their cauldron to create some incredibly disgusting recipes!



Year 4's journey saw them visit Italy for their focus of the brilliant play, Julius Caesar. They created Roman head laurel wreaths and studied a portrait picture of Julius Caesar. They later created detail to the background and used layering to show a 3D effect picture. They studied the complex relationships around Brutus and Caesar working hard in English lessons to compare the themes in this brilliant play.

Children in the resource base worked on a variety of Shakespeare themes and tried their hand at fencing, orienteering and were very good at dishing out Shakespearian insults led by Mr Ryan!

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Lights, camera and action in year 3 where they have performed their very own version of Hamlet. Alongside this, they created some lifelike Shakespeare sandwich bag hand puppets.

A midsummers night's dream was the perfect setting for year 2 to understand the comedy and happiness in the forest of dreams. They created beautiful dream catchers, and salt dough Shakespeare cookies.



Further down the school, in response to Romeo and Juliet, year one have created coat of arms shields and cursive style handwritten friendship notes between the couple using their handmade quills! They also made crowns for the family using their brilliant cutting, designing and sticking skills!

Romeo and Juliet was the theme for reception children and they learnt about the magnificent characters and quotes that we know so well. Our reception children have rose to the challenge and have been creating portraits of Juliet and have even made some fantastic Tudor houses!



May I say a special thanks to all parents, staff and children for supporting this very special week and we hope the children can tell you all about it over half term.

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