

Personal Development  
The Chronicles of  
Cestria Primary  
School

2022 - 2023



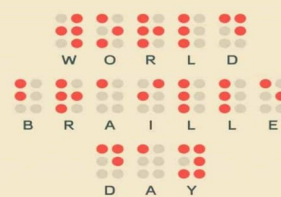
January  
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## Book Based Assembly Swap

Wednesday 4th January was World Braille Day. This week, the children have had a class assembly based on the life of Stevie Wonder. Our whole school discussion this week is:

"Stevie Wonder is someone others admire, not just for his musical talent but because of the kind of person he is".



**World Braille Day**  
**January 4**

Protected Characteristics

## Calm Corner

We have a calm corner or sometimes an area in our classroom with a selection of fidget toys that can be used when needed.



Mental Health and Well Being

## The Reading Shed

We know at Cestria that our children love to read. We also know that when you let children choose what they read, they will read more! Introducing The Reading Shed - our very own library!

Please pop along and borrow a book to enjoy at home, lots of lovely new stock has been added.



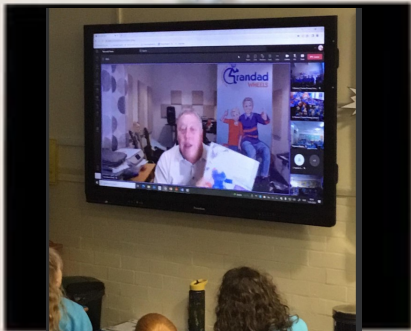
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Physical Health & Active Lifestyles

### Swimming Lessons.

Children in Year 4 have been attending swimming lessons at Chester le Street swimming baths.



British Values — Mutual Respect and tolerance.

### Grandad Wheels

This morning we had a virtual visit from Brian, also known as Grandad Wheels. Over the last few months in school, the children have learnt all about the story of Grandad Wheels and have listened to his stories. Today we got the opportunity to speak to Brian and ask him some questions.



British Values

### Chinese New Year

We have loved learning all about Chinese New Year today. Cora kindly gave us all a lucky red envelope to celebrate.

## Chinese New Year

Children in Reception enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year. They danced, made lanterns and ended with tasting some Chinese food.

British Values



## Charity Cake Bake!

Some of the girls in Orion Class organised a charity bake sale for a worthwhile charity.



Angelman Bake Sale  
Ebony Rebecca Erika

We are doing a bake sale across Year 6 for Rebecca's sister Hannah and for other kids just like her.

*Any donations will help!*

**Friday 27th January**

**Thank You!**

Selling:  
Smiley face cupcakes /angel man logo cupcake  
Sweety corn/cookies

Including a raffle. Winner gets a Heroes box!

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## Building Bridges

In DT the children were challenged to work together to make a bridge out of paper straws, string and masking tape. They needed to be decision makers, confident and resilient as well as listening and working with their other children in their group.



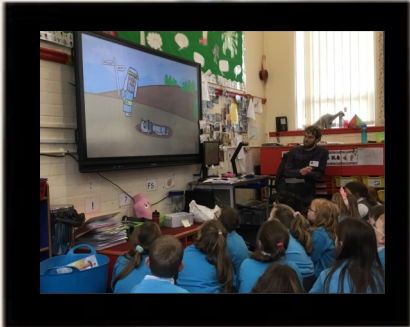
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PHSCE/RSE

## Jigsaw

Today in our Dreams and Goals we have thought all about the successes we are aiming to achieve. The children thought really hard about the steps they need to take to do this. The most important message that we talked about was believing in yourself and always being positive .



Spiritual, Moral, Social, & Cultural

## Assembly

We welcomed Mr Garlick from Cornerstones into school this afternoon. He told us all about The Good Samaritan and how we can be kind and caring to our neighbours in school and the community.



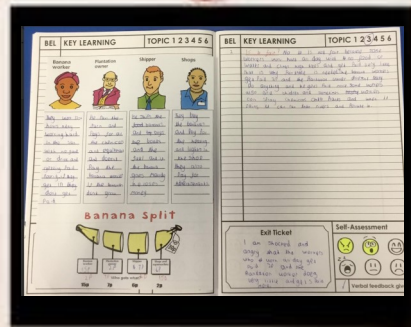
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## Team Building

For today's recap in P.E. we revisited some of our team building games like 'under the electric fence', and then began our gymnastics unit by working together to create interesting shapes as shown, such as a scorpion and a football pitch!

## Fair Trade

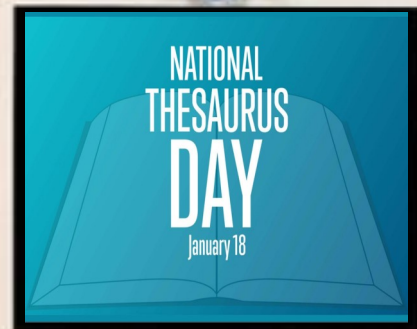
Geography. Our Fair Trade topic is proving to be a real talking point. This week we were looking at all of the people and jobs involved in the production and distribution of bananas. We discovered how the Fair Trade alliance improves lives, work conditions and has a positive impact on our planet .



Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance.

## Book Based Assembly

Wednesday 18th of January was National Thesaurus Day. This week, in their class assemblies, the children have been reading the book 'Digging for Words' by Angela Burke Kunkel. We have been talking about our favourite books and our favourite words! The story follows a man in Colombia, who on his bin route, collected books to restore.



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He then set up a book club and allowed the local children to come and read and borrow them - promoting a love of reading in his community. Our whole school discussion this week has been: "Jose Guitierrez loves book. All kinds of books. Some of the stories are special, like the first book he found on his bin route.

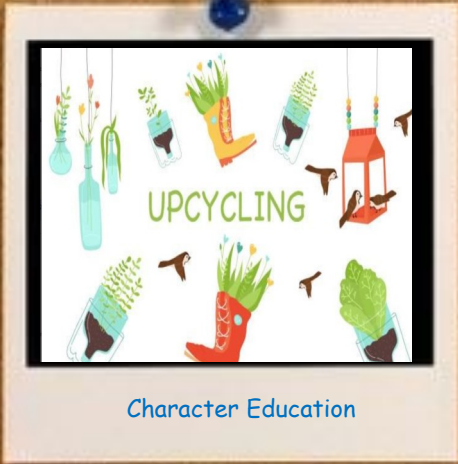




Safeguarding— mental Health & Wellbeing

## Safeguarding Newsletter

Spring Term Safeguarding shared with parents via School Dojo and also available on our website.



Character Education

## Invention Shed

We are lucky enough to have our very own Invention Shed in school. We have been inventing wonderful things for our gardens from recycled products such as plastic bottles.



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## Healthy Eating

A little incentive at lunchtime across year one and two. If children ask for, and try a portion with their lunch they will be rewarded with a dojo back in the classroom!