



Benton Dene School Newsletter 20th May 2022



Reminders

Parents Evening Wednesday 8th June—More information to follow.

We are at Robinwood from Monday 23rd - Wednesday 25th May, Please remember to collect your child at 3.30pm on Wednesday 25th May.

Blue 9's trip to Beamish!



Red 3's travel trip to Beacon Hill



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Green 5's boat workshop!



Green 6's visit from Dr. Emma Paice

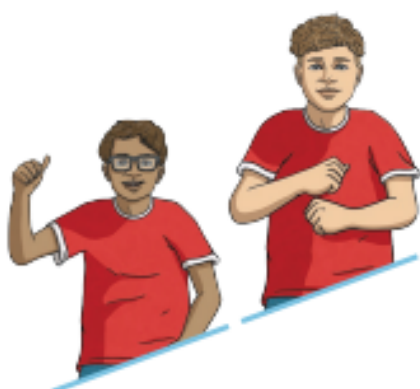


P.E at Benton Dene School

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Dance Celebration

The Hand Jive

The hand jive is believed to have started in a club in London in the 1950s. It was created because the dance floor was so crowded that people needed a dance they could perform in a small space. Dancing the hand jive involves a pattern of hand actions and claps, such as thigh-tapping, clapping, fist-bumping and hand crosses. Every action should match the beat of the music. Why not find some hand jive music to perform to, such as 6-5 Hand Jive by Don Lang?



Use this dance celebration sheet to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Platinum Jubilee commemorates 70 years since The Queen's ascension to the throne in 1952. Join in the party by learning some dance moves from the 1950s.

Fist Bump, Thumbs Up

- Make your hands into fists. Double tap one fist on top of the other fist in front of you.
- Swap over, and double tap the other fist on top of the first one.
- Make a thumbs up action with one hand and keep the other hand in a fist. Point your thumb over your shoulder twice, as if doing a hitchhiking signal.
- Swap over and point your other thumb over your other shoulder twice.
- Repeat as many times as you like.



Point and Twirl

- Make your hands into fists. Double tap one fist on top of the other fist in front of you.
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- Repeat as many times as you like.

Thigh Tap, Hand Clap

- Stand with your feet hip-width apart and your knees slightly bent.
- Tap both hands on your thighs twice.
- Clap your hands together twice.
- Make sure you do both actions to the beat of the music.
- Repeat as many times as you like.



Queen's Platinum Jubilee Dance Celebration

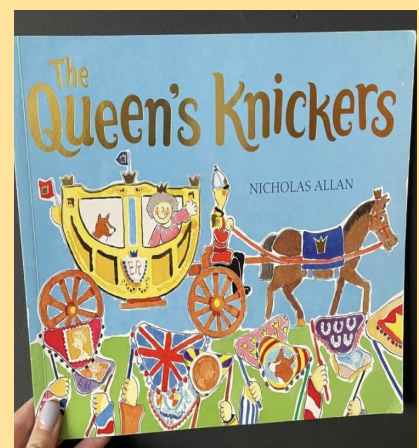
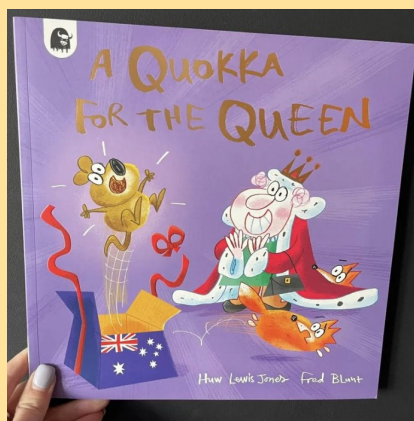
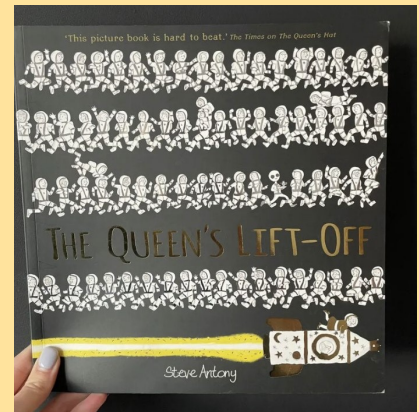
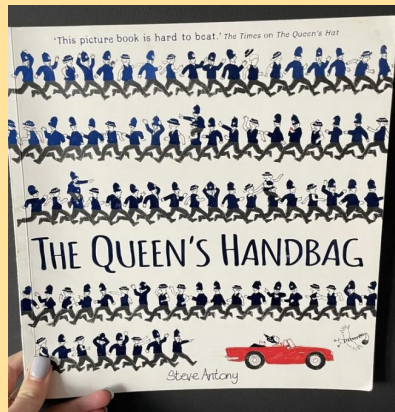
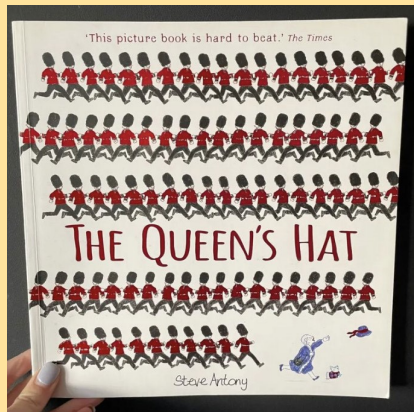
Criss-Cross

- Hold your hands out in front of you, palms facing down and elbows bent.
- Slide your hands over each other twice, not touching them.
- Swap your hands over so that a different hand is on top. Slide them over each other twice again.
- Repeat as many times as you like, alternating between different hands on top.



A selection of books about The Queen

With the Jubilee coming up we thought it would be a great idea to share some of our favourite books about The Queen.



Class News

Yellow 3: We have been learning about Africa, making African necklaces listening to African music and playing African drums.

Yellow 4: Have enjoyed learning about how different cultures celebrate birthdays in RE. We enjoyed making cards, play dough birthday cakes and party hats.

Green 5: Have been creating boats in DT using recycled materials and investigated whether they sink or float.

Green 6: Had a visit from Dr. Emma Paice who is a dentist. She showed the children how to clean their teeth properly and they practised in class doing this. All the children took a new toothbrush and toothpaste home with them.

Green 7: Have been learning about the Wright Brothers. We have been exploring a toy plane and have labelled the different parts of a plane.

Green 8: In Science this week we have loved setting up our Colour changing flowers experiment and made predictions about what we think will happen to the flowers.

Red 1: Have enjoyed outdoor PE this week making the most of the lovely sunshine. Our football skills are developing, staff included!

Red 2: Had the best time at Beacon Hill learning about Independent Travel Training.

Red 3: Have been to Beacon Hill to learn about crossing the roads safely and how to remain safe when using the Metro. We thoroughly enjoyed being able to get on and off the Metro and being a lollipop man/woman.

Red 4: Have had a lovely trip to the park. We looked at what types of plants and trees grow there for our Science topic.

Blue 5: This week in B5 we have compared Tynemouth Beach to Copacabana in Brazil. We found out lots of similarities and some differences. Overall we decided that we would rather spend time in Brazil.

Blue 6: The children have been looking at the artist Sam Taylor Wood and completing their observational drawing using charcoal.

Blue 7: Blue 7 enjoyed a trip to the Grainger Market to learn about world food trade in Geography. We explored the fruit and veg shop and collected ingredients from all around the world to cook coronation chicken for The Queen's Jubilee.

Blue 8: We have been learning about different religions in our community.

Blue 9: We have visited Beamish this week. We have been comparing the life of a child in Victorian Times to our lives today.

Stars of the week



Yellow 3: Lilly , **Yellow 4:** Coen,



Green 5: Jaxon, **Green 6:** Swayze, **Green 7:** Tommy, **Green 8:** Jake,

Red 1: Jaymie, **Red 2:** Tommy B, **Red 3:** Leonard, **Red 4:** Connor,



Blue 5: Caleb, **Blue 6:** , **Blue 7:** Josh, **Blue 8:** Reilly **Blue 9:** Connor W

Inspire Award of the week



Yellow 3: Emily, **Yellow 4:** Ali,

Green 5: Nina, **Green 6:** Shay, **Green 7:** Euan, **Green 8:** Maizy,

Red 1: Quinn, **Red 2:** Jaidan, **Red 3:** Jade, **Red 4:** Alex,

Blue 5: Christian, **Blue 6:** , **Blue 7:** Thomas, **Blue 8:** Daniel, **Blue 9 :** Ehsan