

# Tower Hill Times: Winter Special Edition

## Music Maestros!

Our Year 5/6 Choir have once again entertained members of the public and the workforce across Farnborough! They have been out not once, not twice but three times this year, singing beautifully a selection of favourite Christmas carols and songs at 'The Hub Cafe' and BAE Systems on the airfield, and finally at Tesco in Aldershot!

We would like to thank sincerely all companies involved for their generosity. Aramark who manage 'The Hub Café' donated £200; BAE laid on a fantastic lunch of sandwiches, pizza and delicious crisps for the children—as well as giving each child a selection box and doubling our

'take' on the day of £100 up to £200; and Tesco dished out chocolate biscuits! In total, the children have raised a staggering **£775** for their efforts!! But above all, they have thoroughly enjoyed being out and about, acting as the most exemplary ambassadors for our school. We are SO proud of them! Well done, Choir, and thank you.



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### Y4 delight with their strings performance!





# Sears Class

## Autumn Term



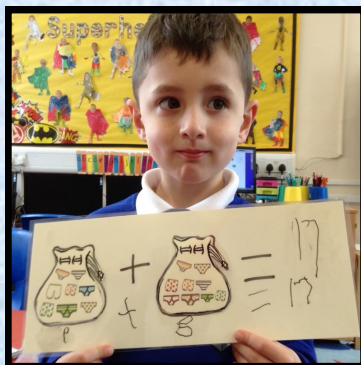
Sears Class have settled into school life so well. They have loved exploring all the different areas of the learning environment.



We love the new water play. We have negotiated the quickest way to get the ball to the bottom and have had lots of races.



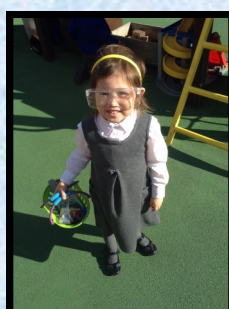
We have enjoyed exploring the new construction area. We have used team work to build a new wall for Humpty Dumpty.



We have been learning the concept of addition. We now know that we have to count all of them to find the total.



We had to help the spiders to get the correct number of legs. We carefully counted out the pegs.



We have played lots of maths games in small groups. We have also been learning how to accurately count objects and record our answers.





# Pisa

## Autumn Term

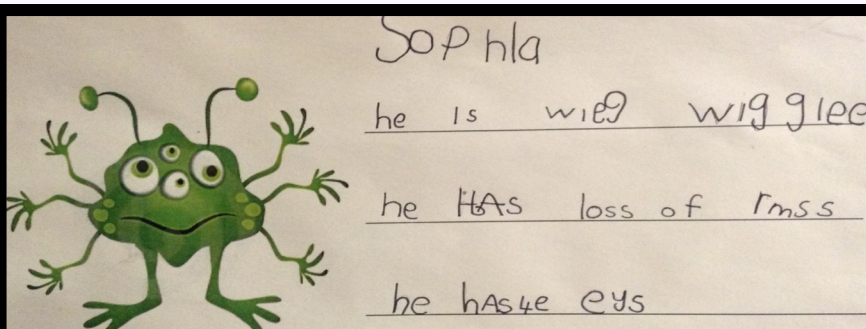
## Newsletter

This term, in Pisa class, the children have been learning and practising their number formation.

They have used paint brushes, glitter and rhymes as an exciting way to remember the numbers



One of the topics we covered within this term was 'Nursery Rhymes'. We set up the planting area within the theme of *Mary Mary Quite Contrary*. This inspired a discussion around how to look after the plants in our garden.



Using the role play area, the children travelled to space and described what it would be like to be an astronaut.

Liam even tried to build his own space rocket using the pipes in the construction area and Sophia wrote all about an alien.

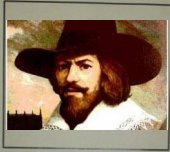




## Spinnaker Class

# Remember Remember the 5th of November!

### WANTED



Name Guy Fawkes. We need your help Guy Fawkes and his friends have a plot to kill the king. He is in disguise. He has a black hat. He has hidden some gun powder.

Megan

This term, as part of our History topic,

Spinnaker class have been learning all about Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot.

As part of their learning, the children were taken back to the cobbled streets of 1605 to help the Police hunt down Guy Fawkes. We looked at various pictures of Guy Fawkes to describe his appearance and write about the crime he had committed.

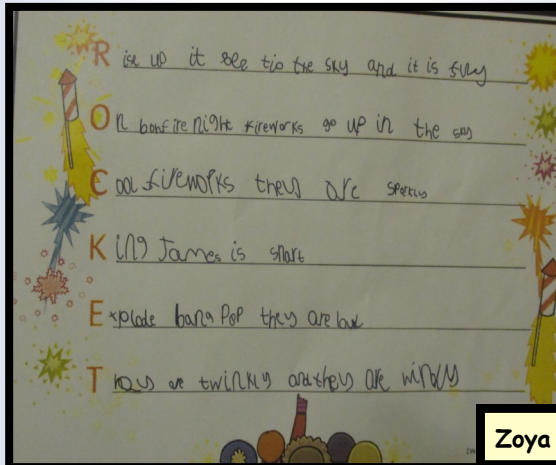
### WANTED



Name Guy Fawkes we need help! Guy Fawkes is in disguise. Have you seen him? Watch out for him! He has a black hat but he may change into something else.

Filip

After watching a firework video we thought of lots of adjectives to describe what we could see and hear. We wrote our own acrostic poems and did chalk drawings of firework displays.



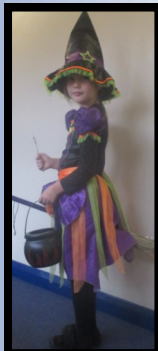
Zoya



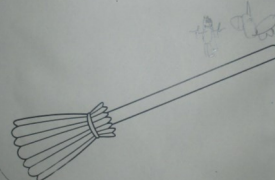
Florence



The children have also enjoyed an entire week of learning inspired by the children's book 'Room on the Broom' by famous children's author, Julia Donaldson. This was to celebrate 15 years of the bestselling classic picture book.



Alexi



I would take a unicorn because they are strong and my broom stick will have a chair.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Romel

I am 5 years old.

I live in Farnborough

This year, I have been really good

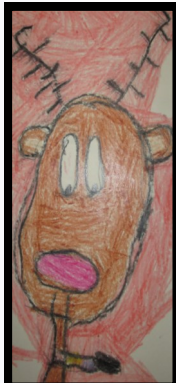
I would really like it if you could bring me:

I want a football. I want a phone and I would like a Harry Potter book

Thank you and Merry Christmas

Romel

Romel



Shriya

Kami

In the countdown to the Christmas Holidays the children have been very excited! The children have loved all of the different activities to get us all in the festive mood.



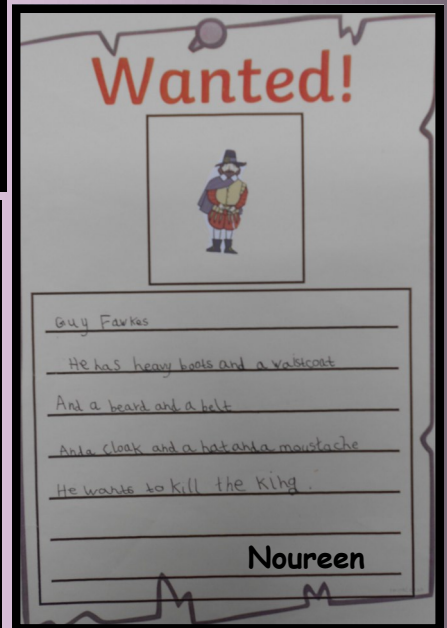
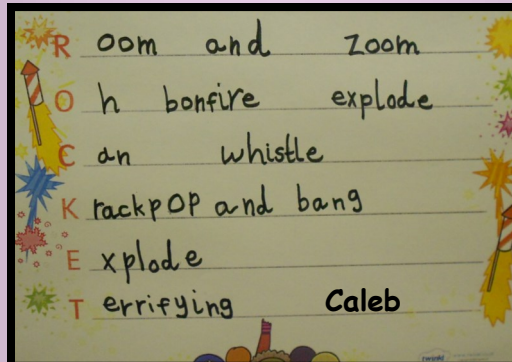


# Blackpool Class

This term, as part of our History topic, Blackpool class have been learning all about The Gunpowder Plot. To inform their learning, the children looked at different pictures of Guy Fawkes and used all the facts they had learnt to write 'Wanted' posters.

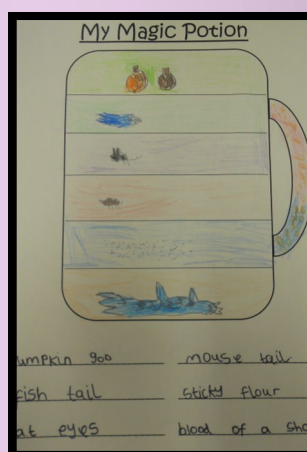
The children were excited to learn why we celebrate Bonfire Night. They wrote acrostic poems to

describe the fascinating sights, smells and noises they could hear!

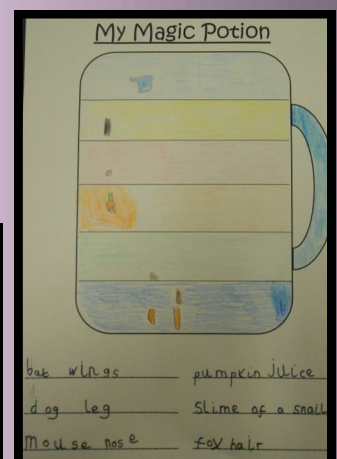
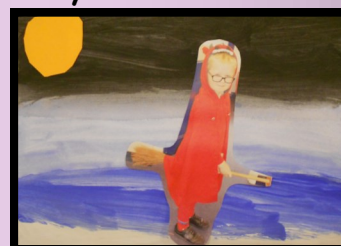


To celebrate 15 years of *Room on the Broom* Blackpool class dedicated a whole week of their learning to the exciting story.

The children had great fun dressing up in spotty clothes for Children in Need! Thankyou for your generous donations!



Emily



Callum



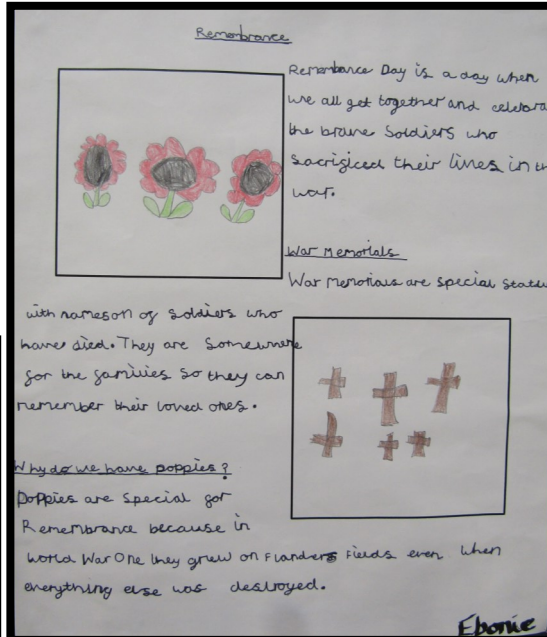
# Petronas News

## They shall grow not old...

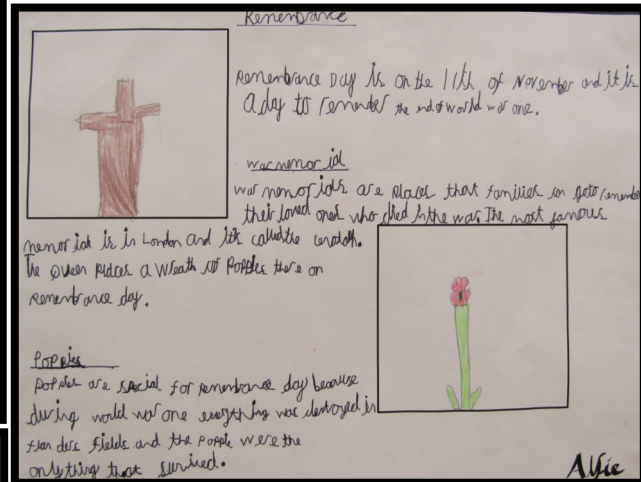


In Art, we used a technique called Batik to design and create

Remembrance pictures. We used wax crayons and water colours to create the effect.



This half term, in History, Year 2 have been looking at the topic of Remembrance. We learnt about the significance of the poppy and war memorials, like the Cenotaph in London.



## INCREDIBLE PETRONAS

We received a letter from Edna Mode from The Incredibles, asking for our help in designing a new superhero to help save the Incredible family! We wrote descriptions of our new characters and designed their superhero suits.



We then used our new superheroes to write our own stories and turn them into comic strips.



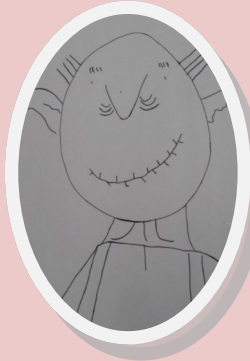


# Canton Class

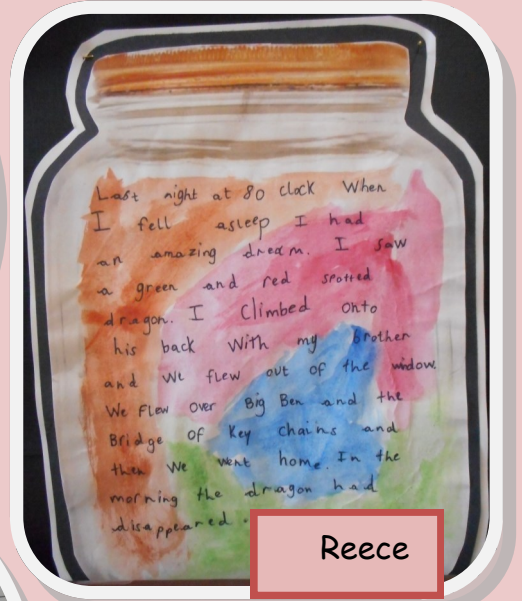
## The BFG

Canton class read the story of the BFG to celebrate Roald Dahl.

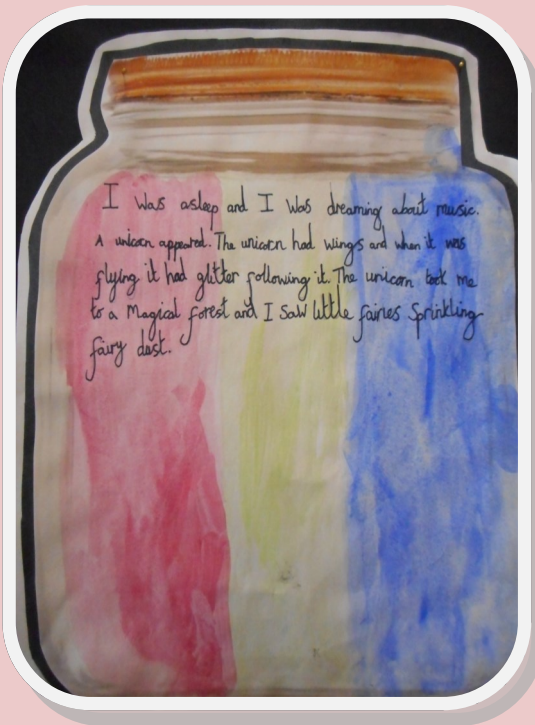
Children sketched him in the style of the illustrator Quentin Blake and went on to write about their own dreams in a dream jar.



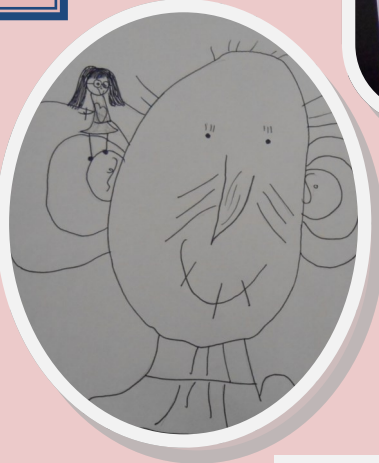
Max



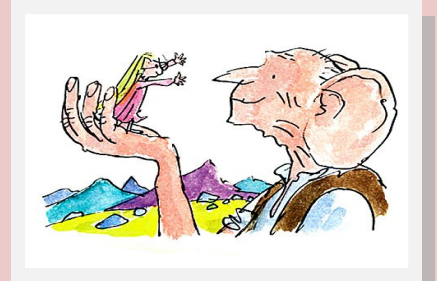
Reece



Ella-Jay



Chanelle



Remembrance

Batik Art



Amelie



Rushil

# Remembrance



Alex



We celebrate Remembrance Day to remember the soldiers that have died in the wars.

The war finished on the 11th November, that is when we have a minute silence at 11 o'clock.

- Ryan

Why do we wear a Poppy?

The poppy was the only thing that could grow in the field in World War One. It gave the soldiers hope. We wear it to remember the soldiers who died.—Chloe A



# A Midwife Crisis

## Key Stage I





# Primary School Christmas Musical

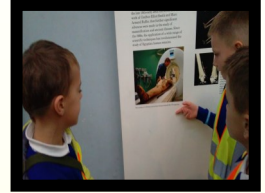




This term in History, Alloa Class have been learning about the Ancient Egyptians. We have learnt about how they wrote and their ritual of mummification which was a way of preserving the dead. We even made death masks for rich Ancient Egyptians as homework.

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016, Alloa Class went to the British Museum in London, on a school trip. First, we went on the coach but it was boring so I won't tell you anymore about that. Then we got there!

Next, we had lunch and there were a lot of flies. After that was over, we went to a show about the Egyptian Afterlife. Later on, we were still there but we learnt about the Book of the Dead that the Egyptians believed helped them in the Afterlife.

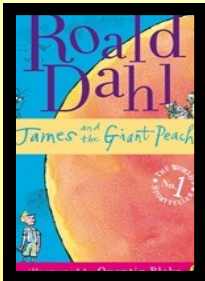


We went to the British Museum and saw lots of interesting artefacts. We saw Shabtis which the Egyptians believed would do your jobs in the Afterlife. We made some clay artefacts in Art.



Ruby

## James and the Giant Peach



In Literacy, we used James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl as inspiration as this year was his 100th birthday. We wrote diary entries as James, described the characters and wrote postcards from New York City. The children also drew and painted pictures in the style of Quentin Blake.

Logan



Earthworm is as pink as a pink cup. He is really sunny because he has sunglasses and a sun hat even when he's not in the sun. Earthworm is very long, nearly as tall as a big stool! His hat is as yellow as the sun. He looks like an uncooked sausage.

Edward

Chloe A

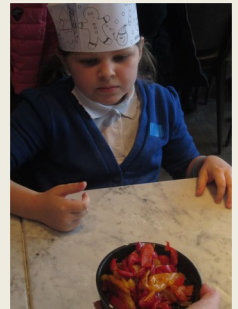


# Petrin Class



## Chefs for a day at..

Aprons and hats were the flavour of the day at Pizza Express, where we learnt what it takes to be a pizza chef. The best part was eating it!

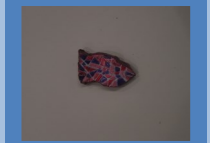


## Roman Mosaics

Our topic on the Romans inspired us to create our very own artwork based on Roman mosaics. We used clay to shape our designs and then cut tile shapes into the clay, before painting them.



Crystal



Eve



Bayley



Thomas



Lordin



Merry

## THE GREEN SHIP

Quentin Blake's 'The Green Ship' inspired us to write our own story openings about other mysterious green vehicles.

First Mick and I were staying at our Grandma's for to-night. Mick and I were looking for an adventure. Mick and I went into the back of Grandma's garden. Mick and I climbed over into grandma's next door neighbours garden and saw a lovely mown lawn laid out. A few minutes later Mick and I found something incredible in the jungle... **Liam**

I can remember very clearly even now what it was like when Will and I climbed over the wall into the neighbour's garden. Will and I were very bored. We had nothing to do. We wanted an adventure!

We climbed through our Aunts garden. Then we scrambled over the wall into the neighbours garden. Next doors garden wasn't really like a garden it was more of a spa place. At the back of the "spa garden" were some bushes and behind that was something amazing... **Esme**

Riley and Tyler were bored so they climbed over the solid stone wall and imagined they were looking for wild animal's hunting for their prey. Suddenly they saw... **Riley**





*A great big thank  
you!*

This year for Children in Need Tower Hill took part in the Big Spotacular 2016! Thank you to everyone who donated and helped us to raise a fantastic

We were so impressed with everyone's entries for the Tower Hill Bake Off! Well done to everyone who entered and contributed towards a very successful bake sale!



A huge congratulations to our Bake Off winners!



*Cupcake winner*

**Devlin**



*Cake winner*

**Lia**



*Biscuit winner*

**Hannah**



*Star Baker!*

**Chloe**







# Sport at Tower Hill



Sport has had a big role to play in the Autumn term here at Tower Hill.

The children have had the opportunity to take part in a range of clubs including: judo, netball, football & tag rugby.

We have also seen children represent the school competitively as well as preparing for tournaments in the Spring term .



## Competition

This year, for the first time we have Tower Hill teams entered in the local competitive football & netball leagues.

The boys' football team have been a credit to the school and played well in both their fixtures: a 3-2 loss to Talavera and a battling 1-1 draw with Hawley. There will be plenty more opportunities for children to compete, with the cup competition and final league games throughout the Spring term.

Similarly, the boys and girls of Year 5 and 6 have been preparing for the start of competitive netball fixtures in the Spring!

## Sports Leaders

Our new Sports leaders have been trained up by Mr Byres from

Samuel Cody and will be ready to help children at lunchtimes with games and sporting activities to keep everyone active and having fun. Keep your eye out for them on the playground in January!



## Golden Mile

As part of our commitment to improving the children's fitness, every class will have an opportunity throughout each week to take part in "The Golden Mile". The children will get to see how many laps they can complete in a 10-15 minute running session and the Golden Mile Monitors will help them calculate how far they've run each week. Who will be the first to win their 10 mile certificate?





# Tudor Times in Eiffel Class



To help us to understand more about the Tudors and their lives, we visited Hampton Court, one of Henry VIII's palaces. While there, we undertook a secret mission to find evidence about life in Henry's court and we found out about the ups and downs of life for Tudor people, rich and poor.



## Extracts from our Tudor biographies

### Anne Boleyn - A Biography

When Anne Boleyn arrived in the court not everyone was happy, some people thought that Anne was behaving suspiciously.

#### Early Life

Anne was born in about 1501 and lived in France until she was Lady-in-Waiting for Catherine of Aragon. When Henry wanted a new wife he noticed Anne walking in the court and asked for her six fingered hand in marriage! Lia

### Mary 1<sup>st</sup> - A Biography

Mary 1<sup>st</sup> was the beautiful daughter of Catherine of Aragon and Henry VIII. Since Mary was born she felt that she would be an amazing queen, but when she became a monarch... she was a KILLER!

#### An interesting fact

When she became queen, she thought that everyone should be a catholic again, so if they didn't change their religion she would burn them! She burned 300 people in the process!

Charlie

## Tudor Doll Making

Each of our dolls took a day to make and we learned lots of new creative techniques in their making. We also got very messy! The results of our efforts were these stunning dolls, of which we are very proud.

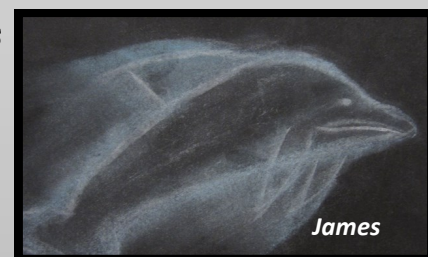




# Harry Potter

This term, Y6 have been using the story of Harry Potter as a stimulus for writing. The children's favourite piece of work was writing descriptions of the Dementors and then designing their own Petronas Charm.

I was still, everyone was still. A short, cool gust of wind blew gently across my face. The nice feeling wouldn't last long though. My eyes darted to and fro, trying to find a place to hide. Legs trembling, I found a gap between a seat. There was nothing I could do. I couldn't stop what was going to happen next...



The train jolted forward. I hit my head—hard. I felt dizzy, really dizzy. All of a sudden, a cloaked figure emerged from the shadows. Was I seeing things? No, no I wasn't. As it drew closer, I screamed in horror. This beast, I had seen it before... it was a Dementor! It's black hooded body was moving painfully slow—almost like it knew I was scared—as it did, it drew back its hood and stopped motionless outside my cabin door. Tears streamed down my face, I froze. A bitter breath travelled down my neck. I looked at my cabin door and to my horror, the creature had vanished! Was it behind me?

I tried as hard as I could to not turn my head and look but the Dementor was like a magnet. It's withered, skeletal hands reached forward for my head. Finger nails like knives started to run through my hair and unexpectedly tugged my head around. I forced my eyes shut, but I couldn't resist a peek. A mortifying, bloodcurdling, sinister face came into view. My heart pounded inside my chest. I screamed and screamed, desperate for someone, anyone to hear me, but I knew it was too late...

*Isabel*



The silence of the midnight, withered forest made bells ring in my ear. I knew they were coming...But when, where? So many questions were in my head—but none could be answered; at least for now... It was as if the world was revolving slower than ever. I stood glued to the spot. My heart pounded against my chest. Bewildered - what would happen next? I felt my blood run cold and my fingers go numb... I frantically darted around for a spot, any spot to hide. Then the freezing atmosphere hit me—they were here...



It's gnarled, skeletal hands ripped through the thick wildlife—destroying everything in its path. The putrid stench filled the air. Their emaciated, skinless, decaying faces searched for memories to devour. I could hear the hairs on my arm stand up as it gracefully levitated towards a nearby bush. A revolting, slender arm reached behind a tree and pulled out an innocent boy. I couldn't bare to watch what happened next...

Zak



# The First Nativity



## Key Spring Diary Dates 2017

- |                     |                                       |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| • Tues 3rd January  | BACK TO SCHOOL—Usual time: 9am        |
| • Fri 20th January  | INSET Day 4: No school for children   |
| • Fri 17th February | Break up for half-term holiday        |
| • Mon 27th February | BACK TO SCHOOL—9am                    |
| • Mon 13th March    | Parents' Evenings Week-exact days TBA |
| • Fri 7th April     | Children break up for Easter holiday  |