



**Week ending: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

**Headlines this week:** *It's half term! Enjoy yourselves and have some fun!*

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**Our school theme next week is: British Values!**

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## **A note from.... Mr. Gilhooly**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of this half term, I am writing to express my thanks for your continued support in all we do at school. It has been a joy to see so many of you engaging in your children's school lives. I know from so many positive comments, that provision in place during these unprecedented times is working for most people and where it is not please do contact us.

My thanks also goes to Mrs. Loss who has supported St. David over the last few months. Never did she think that she would come out of retirement to work full time and support children with remote learning – but what a success she has been! The children have loved having her around and her experience has radiated amongst staff!

Over this half term break, please do take time to rest and reflect and we look forward to welcoming you all back, either virtually or in person in just over a weeks' time.

As ever if you have any concerns or queries please contact the school office.

Kind regards,

Mr L Gilhooly

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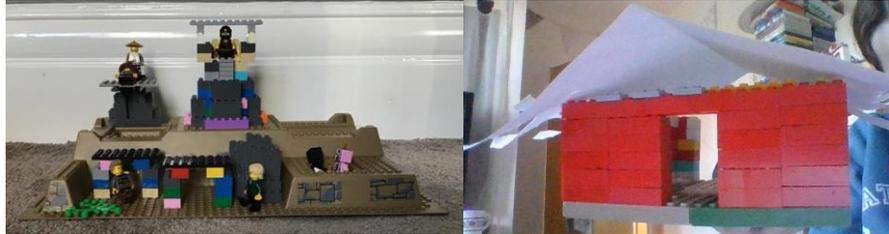
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# ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

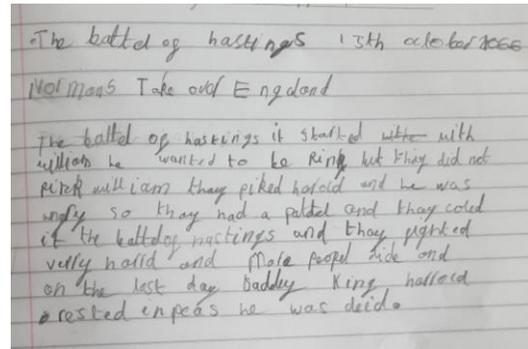
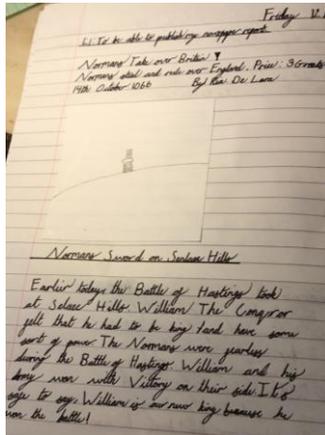
We are so proud of all the amazing work which is being done at home and at school. Here are a few examples of what we have been up to!

Year 6 Maya Temples



## LEARNING

Year 4 Battle of Hastings



## LIVING

Today we have enjoyed "Dress to Express" day. Some people came as those who inspire them to be themselves, some in their favourite outfits...anything that expressed something about who they are. It was great to see so many different outfits and such an atmosphere of fun!

## LOVING

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Los who has been teaching St. David class while Mrs Lubomski has been off. We have loved having her in school and want to say a huge **THANK YOU** for all that she has done.





## WATCH OUT FOR...



**CBBC on YouTube** CBBC has had a revamp on YouTube with content suitable for 5-11 year olds. We have all the top CBBC brands on here, with a wide range of genres from factual shows, news, dramas, comedy to entertainment. Programmes like Horrible Histories, Blue Peter, Newsround, The Next Step, Saturday Mash-Up, Operation Ouch, the Playlist, the Dumping Ground, Heirs of the Night and Jamie Johnson. We are also welcoming back Dani Harmer in the brilliant new programme My Mum Tracy Beaker. [www.youtube.com/cbbc](http://www.youtube.com/cbbc)



**Dark Skies Festival 12 – 28 February** The half-term holiday will be a bit different this year but there are still lots of fun things to do! The Dark Skies festival has moved online and is providing lots of opportunities to get involved. Some events are free and others ask for a small charge. We would love to see what you get up to!

**Events include:** Live wildlife cameras, Orla the Alien – Space Missions, Go on a Mission to Mars, The Hare in the Moon (Theatre production), Children’s Planetarium Show...and so much more...  
<https://www.darksniesnationalparks.org.uk/yorkshire-dales-events>



**Mental Health Support** We are fortunate to be part of the Bradford and Craven Trailblazers initiative to offer support to our children and families. If you need to speak to someone about your child’s mental health, please use the new Parent Support line, or contact the school office if you feel your child would benefit from some specific help.  
**Parent Support Line: 07525 872287 Mondays 10am – 4pm**



### **Praying in Hope for 2021 – Prayer Trail (Churches Together in Skipton)**

Churches Together in Skipton & District have organised a Prayer Trail for the week of Prayer for Christian Unity to bring Hope into our community at this difficult time.

Each of the 8 Churches in Skipton has been allocated a particular area of concern and will have a display outside their building. St Stephen’s have been allocated Education and Young People and you will find our display outside St Stephen’s

Church and also outside the School from Monday 18 January. Everyone is invited to follow the trail as part of their permitted daily exercise. You can download a copy of the trail from <https://www.ststephenskipton.org.uk/our-parish/churches-together>