

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

Last week I shared with you Psalm 23, it is a Psalm that has echoed through the week.

The Psalm speaks into our dark and difficult days and offers us comfort, it speaks Hope into the every day challenges as well as the more life changing, earth shattering moments.

There are no easy answers to those times of unimaginable difficulty, no quick brush off of the things that we are struggling with, but as a Christian I believe there is Hope.

This week we have all faced challenges. Whatever those challenges, as the Psalmist says, I believe we can all find hope and comfort in God, he provides us with a rod and staff to steady and comfort us. We are not left alone or comfortless and for me that is Hope.

In Collective Worship this week, the children in Year 6 shared some of their thoughts on Hope, especially how they can offer hope to those who are down. Their words were inspiring and challenging-

- Support and encourage.
- Remind them of the great things in their lives.
- Acknowledge that what they are going through is real and challenging.
- If pain and upset has come from a poor choice, remind them that they are forgiven.
- Give them a smile or a hug.
- Cheer them up.
- Help them to be part of the solution, don't leave them alone, give them practical help.
- Give them your time, listen.

We also spent time during Collective Worship, reflecting on all that we have learned together about Hope over the past month. The children were incredible recalling all that we have thought about and discussed. As I came away from our time together, I was heartened to think that what we have learned together has changed the things that we do and the way that we behave, because that is the power of Hope – it changes not just today, but the future.

This week has finished on a real note of celebration as we watched the Year 5 dress rehearsal of their forthcoming production. The children were amazing! I am looking forward to welcoming Year 5 parents in to watch the performances next week.

Values Awards



Congratulations to all the children who this week were given Values Awards.

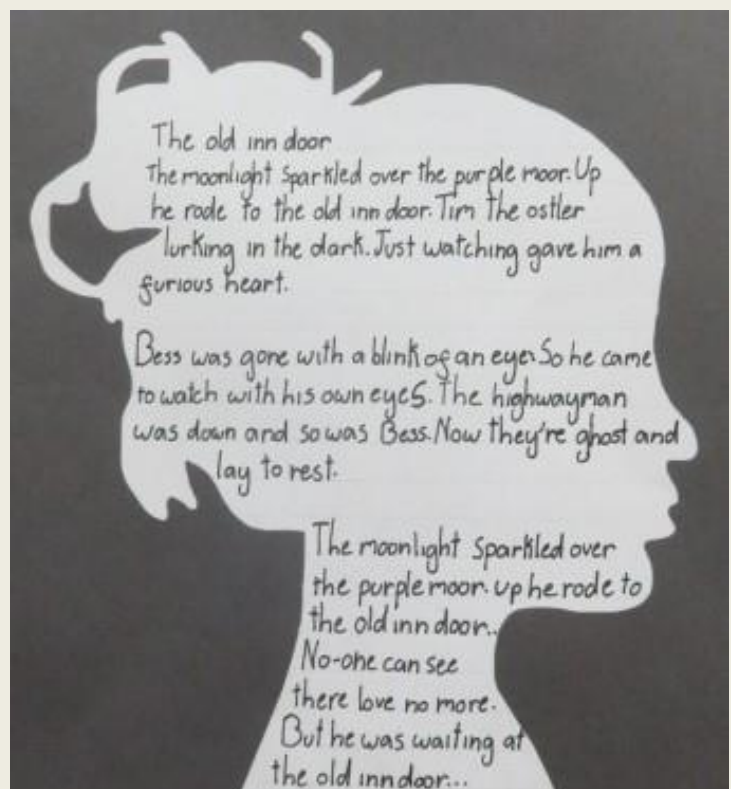
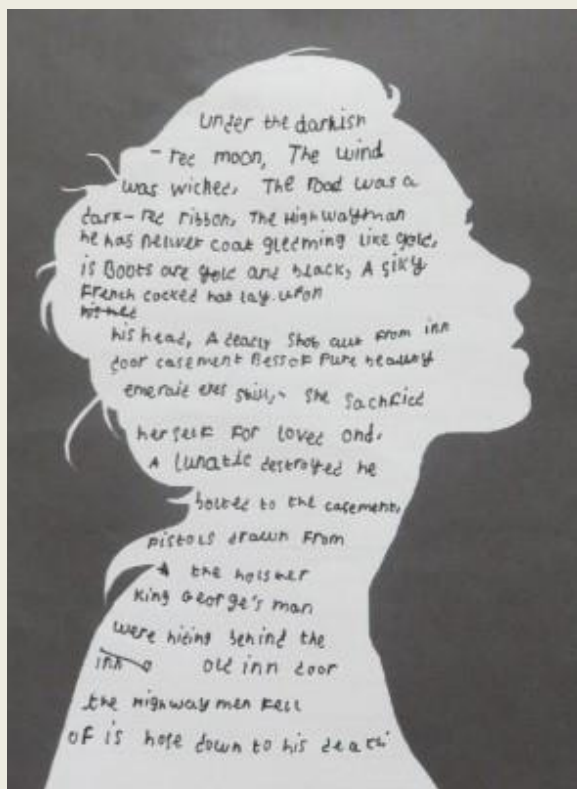
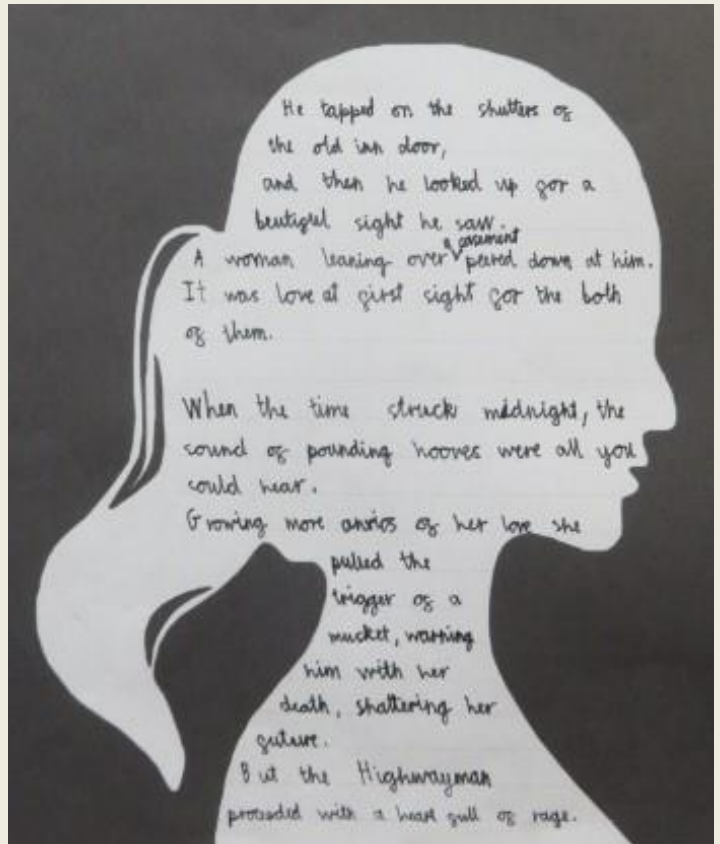
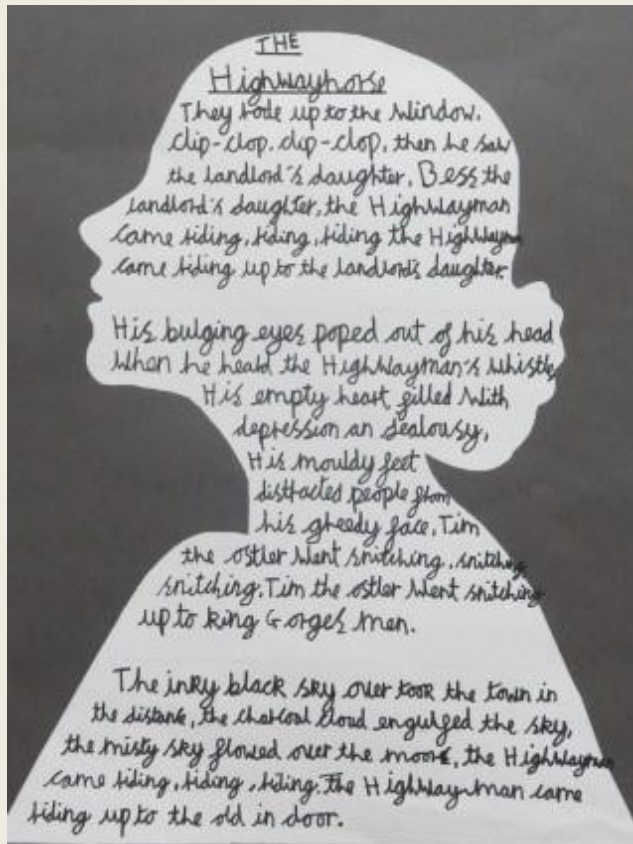
Awards this week were given for a whole raft of reasons, including co-operation on the playground, respect for friends and courage and perseverance in learning.

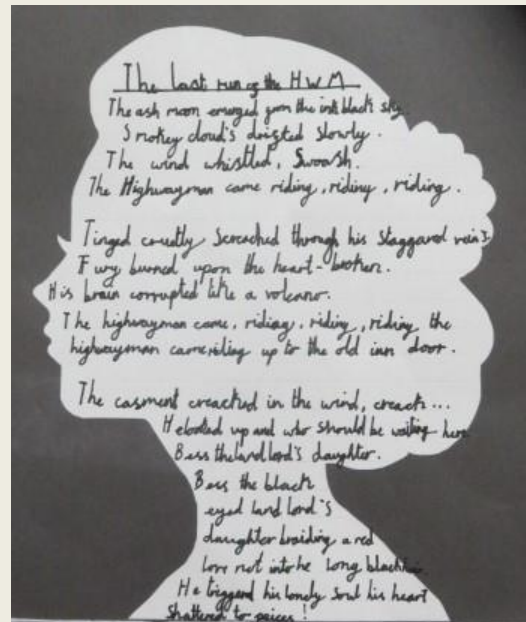
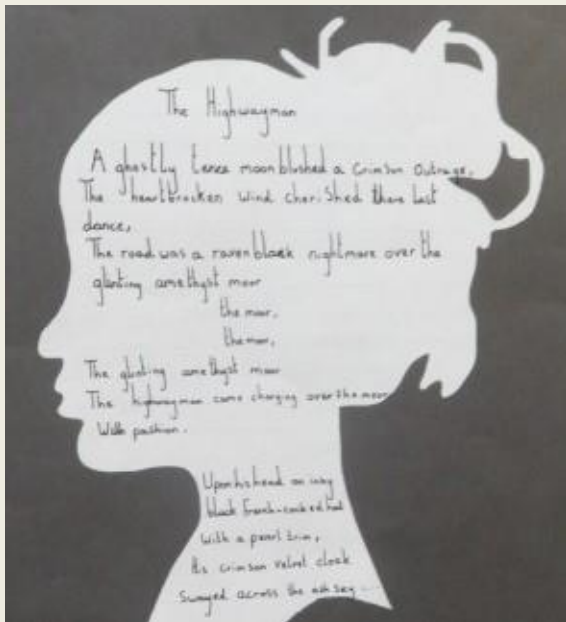
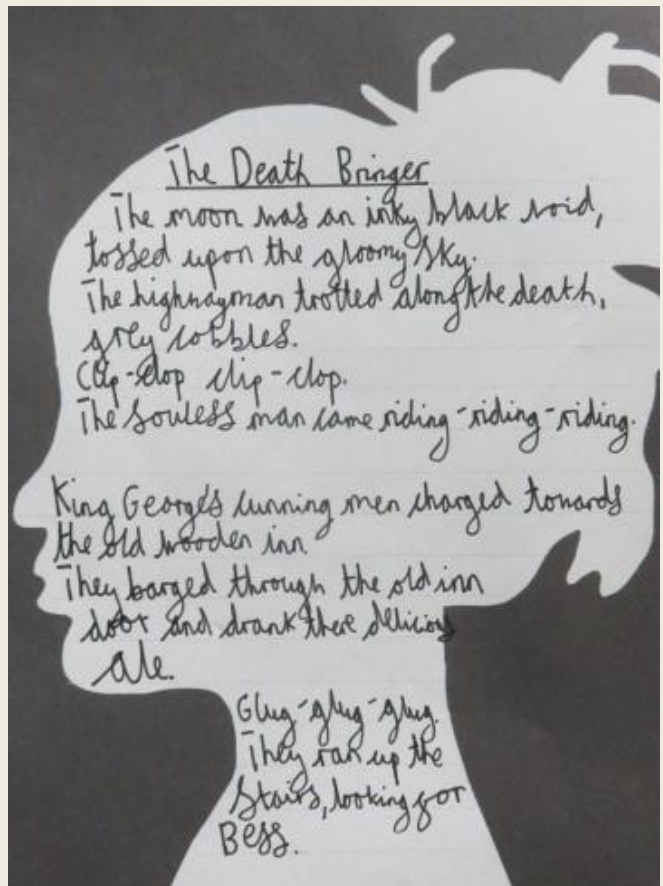
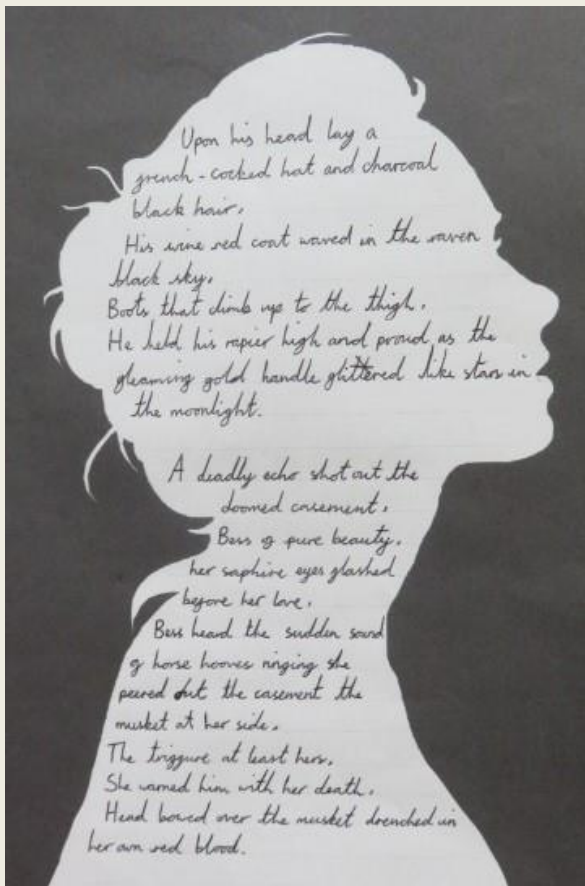
Well done to everyone who has been living our Values over the past week.

News from Around the School

Rumours of the quality of writing that is being produced by the children in Year 6 have been circulating for the past few weeks and today the team were finally ready to unveil their work inspired by 'The Highwayman'.

The rumours have not been over exaggerated! Well done Year 6, your writing is fantastic.





Welcome!

We are delighted to welcome Lucille Gillitt to our TA team.

Lucille has recently moved from South Africa, where she worked in finance.

Lucille told us that she loves working with the children and is already enjoying the variety of the work.



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