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Dear Parents and Carers,

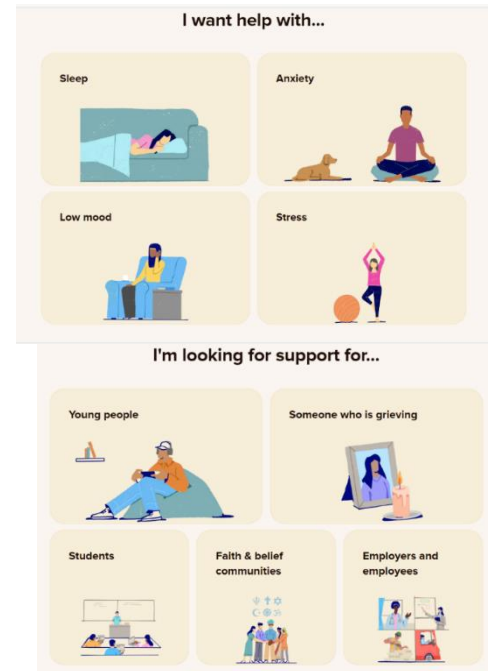
Mental Health & Wellbeing- Good Thinking (Articles 12 and 24)

Good thinking is a free online service that supports Londoners to look after their mental health and wellbeing. It offers NHS-approved resources and advice to help with anxiety, stress, low mood and sleep problems.

It is available 24/7 on any device and is completely anonymous. Good thinking provides a range of resources including:

- Free NHS approved apps
- Advice articles
- Blogs and personal stories
- Podcasts, videos and webinars
- Clinically validated self-assessments
- Quick quizzes to give tailored recommendations
- Printable workbooks and guides.

Good thinking - <https://www.good-thinking.uk/>



Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers (Article 16)



Every week, millions of children play football, many of them in organised clubs and organisations. As part of its safeguarding response, the Football Association has created a safeguarding course for parents.

The course is designed to help parents make informed choices about the football settings where they enrol their children. The course helps parents recognise best practice and see where there may be concerns, so that they can report them quickly and effectively. This free course can be found here:

<https://learn.englishfootball.com/courses/safeguarding/safeguarding-awareness-for-parents-and-carers>

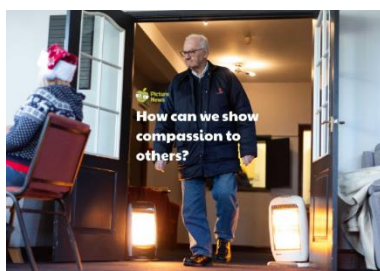
Picture News (Articles 17 and 27)

Through the weekly Picture News assembly, children learn about our world, develop independence, resilience, respect and unlock their own drive and passion for learning. The weekly Picture News is shared on our website:

<https://www.glade.redbridge.sch.uk/newspictures>

Please spend some time asking your child about what they have learnt and discussed during their Picture News session. Each week, there is a link to British Values and the UN rights of a child. In the story this week, children learnt community centres, libraries, businesses, and churches across the UK have been set up as free warm spaces to help provide warmth and companionship during the winter months.

This week's question asks children: 'How can we show compassion to others?'



British Values

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Life is not the same for everyone. By showing compassion, we ensure our behaviour, actions and words affect others in a positive way.

Protected Characteristics

Winter can affect different generations of people in different ways. No matter our age, we should be treated fairly. We should be able to help others and receive help if we need it.

Age, Sex, Sexual Orientation, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Race, Religion and Belief.

UN Rights of a Child

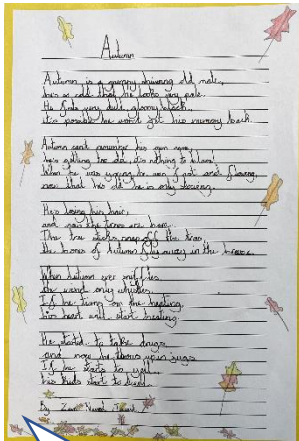
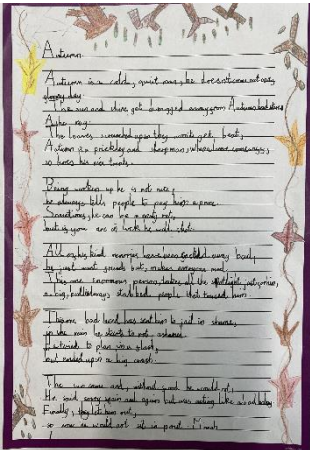
We have the right to food, clothing and a safe place to live so we can develop in the best way. The government should help families and children who cannot afford this.

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FOOD, CLOTHING, A SAFE HOME

What's going on at Glade?

Black History Month 2023

We are a school that consistently celebrates diversity and promotes the rights of all people around the world. Black History Month in October helps us learn even more about the contributions and achievements that black people have made in the past and continue to make. Here are some outcomes of work over this aspect of the curriculum and children's comments.



As part of Black History month and Art. We looked at the work of Ibrahim Mahama.



He likes to make collages and structures reusing and recycling materials. We made our own collages using different materials and textures.



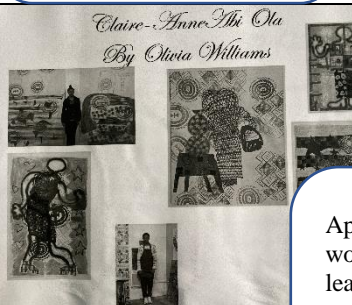
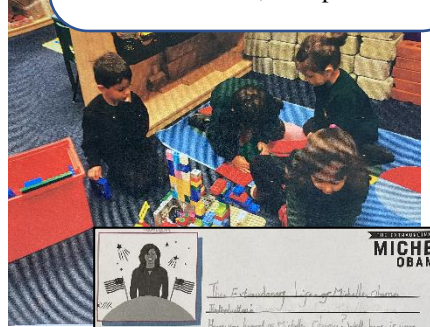
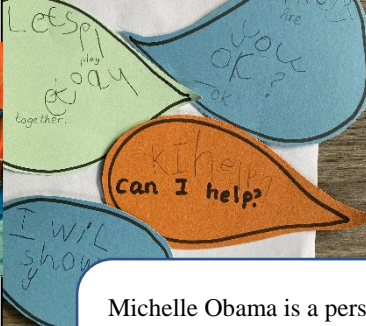
We enjoyed creating artwork with fluffy bits and feathers like Ibrahim Mahama did. We also learnt how to be good friends and be kind and helpful to each other. Aisha and Kieren, Reception



We admired Valerie Bloom's poems and were inspired to create our own! Zara Y4

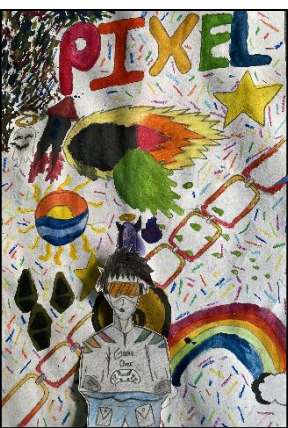
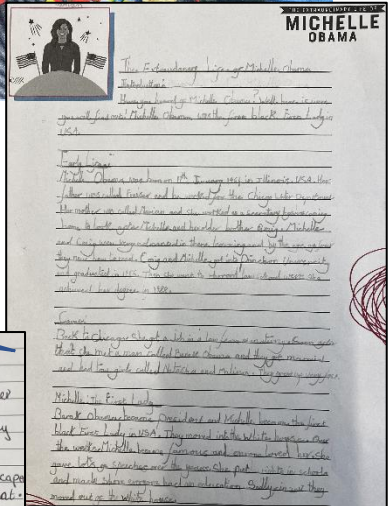
We created amazing patterns, inspired by Yinka. Although he is partially paralysed, he is a brilliant artist. Joanne Y1

In Reception we had discussions about friendships. We talked about what makes a good friend. Children took part in some role play and made friendship bracelets to encourage our social and communication skills.



Apart from our awesome art work inspired by Abi Ola, we learnt that Mae Jemison is a truly amazing person because she gives us all the message that if you work hard, you will definitely succeed! Aarav Y5

Michelle Obama is a person we all admire because she supports all children, especially all the girls in the world, to aim high. Maryam Y3

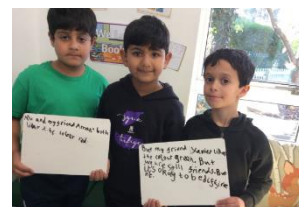


Dear Diary,
It is a day of joy for me. Yes, you read me right. Any other day it would be boring hello, hi and I both know that. Do you want to know what got me so jolly today? Don't worry I'll tell you.
I ESCAPED! I escaped slavery, I escaped Maryland. I escaped those parts of the world where you are beat up and yelled at. I made it to Pennsylvania! And I'll let you know. I deserve a bit of my freedom and you can trust me. Not to waste it. I make it promise, I will never, NEVER, EVER be a slave again. I will never be treated like a piece of a commodity, never again, because I'm not common. I'm rich and caring, he should all be equal, we all are unique. We
I WILL END SLAVERY or I will at least my best to not fail that my mum is bossed around, my sibling said a word. I WILL MAKE IT FAIR.
I'll tell you about efforts to survive and help in harsh, cruel world tomorrow.
Harriet Tubman

Harriet Tubman is a true inspiration to us all because although she faced extreme adversity, she was resilient and did not give up on her selfless mission. Chenaya and Zubayr Yr6

Anti-Bullying Week 2023

Last week we held our annual Anti-bullying week to raise awareness of different types of bullying and remind each other what to do if we experience bullying or see it happening. We started the week with a special assembly with a focus on spreading kindness for Key Stage 1 and thinking about why someone may bully for Key Stage 2. The children were reminded of the importance of the STOP acronym. Bullying is something that happens Several Times on Purpose and if they experience bullying or see it happening, Start Telling Other People.



Throughout the week, in their PSHE lessons, children focused on a specific area of bullying:

Early Years / Key Stage 1	Friendship and friendship issues
Lower Key Stage 2	The role of the bystander (someone who sees bullying happening) and Cyber bullying.
Upper Key Stage 2	Focus on the bully themselves. Why may someone bully? What support may they need?



Each half term, pupils complete a questionnaire where they can disclose any bullying concerns. There are also Bubble boxes in each class and in key areas of the school for pupils to write and post any worries. These are checked at least two times a day. This is in addition to being able to speak to any member of staff.



Please find below a link to our child friendly Anti-bullying policy:

https://www.glade.redbridge.sch.uk/files/ugd/55ef99_1bd5a2bde2754266a40e744f27db823b.pdf

Prayer Space 2023

Last week was Inter-faith week and Anti-bullying week so what better time to hold a prayer and reflection space?

A focus group, made up of a child from each class, worked with schools workers from The Christian Education Project and came up with the theme 'Better Together'.

Each class had the opportunity to be in the base for an hour across the week. They could move around freely and interact with different stations which were set up to get them to think, reflect and pray if they wanted to about big issues.

One popular base was called 'The CommuniTREE' where they had to tie ribbons to a model tree. Each colour ribbon corresponded to a different theme such as the environment or family and friends. At another station, they were dissolving their worries in water and at another they were decorating candle holders and lighting battery operated candles to symbolise that it's better to light a candle than curse the darkness.

On Thursday, Cllr Lloyd Duddridge, the cabinet member for Education on Redbridge Council came to visit the space. He met the focus group and discussed the importance of inter-faith understanding and cooperation with them.



Here are a few words from Cllr Lloyd Duddridge following on from his visit:

"I loved my afternoon in the Prayer and reflection space. For me it is what a modern Redbridge should be all about, a borough that is comfortable in our differences, that embraces and learns from each other, and finds space for everyone. I would love to see spaces like this in as many of our schools as possible. With the world in such a tense place currently, it was wonderful to spend some time in an oasis of calm."

Science Presentation

Our school was lucky enough to be granted a visit by Alvena from the Royal Institution. She gave science presentations on sustainable energy to both key stages, who were extremely enthusiastic and inspired.



Learning Outside the Classroom Fire-lighting (Articles 29 and 31)

As part of their weekly Forest Schools session with Ms Willers, a group of Year 5 children have been making fires, cooking bread and making pop-corn.



Meet the Governors

Governing bodies are the strategic leaders of schools and have a vital role to play in making sure every child gets the best possible education. The purpose of governing bodies is to 'conduct the school with a view to promoting high standards of educational achievement at the school'. Each week, we will introduce to you a different member of our Governing Body.

David Hartshorn- Safeguarding Link Governor, Chair of Personnel Committee.



My name is David Hartshorn and I have had the privilege of being a member of the Governing Board at Glade Primary School for over 30 years. I have held a number of roles, including Vice Chair and Chair of the Personnel Committee. I have helped to enable the smooth transition of several new Headteachers (past and present) and have always received a warm welcome when visiting the school.

As Safeguarding link governors, Marisa and I visit the school regularly ensuring systems and processes are in place ensuring the safety of all children and staff. During those visits, it is clear that the pupils are happy and making good progress. I look forward to continuing my service and watching the school flourish.

HAF Winter Holiday Fun Programme

If your child is currently receiving Pupil Premium funding, please look out for an email from us with regards to the winter holiday fund programme taking place over the winter break.



Volunteering at Glade

If you would like to volunteer at Glade, please email Parentinfo@glade.redbridge.sch.uk informing us of your availability and skills. We request all volunteers apply for a basic DBS using <https://www.gov.uk/request-copy-criminal-record> Once your DBS arrives, please let Mrs Ali know. You will then be asked to complete an online Safeguarding training.

Fostering for Redbridge

It takes a special person to care for a special person.

Gloria Samuel, Service Manager for Fostering and Children with Disabilities Services in Redbridge Council, previously fostered for 20 years. Many of the children she cared for had physical and learning disabilities. Now retired from fostering, Gloria states, "I don't think potential foster carers realise just how much training and support is available when looking after children who happen to be disabled or have additional needs. There are many different care packages offered to support the child and foster carers fully and the training involved is outstanding."



If you are considering fostering and would like to know more, please email fostering@redbridge.gov.uk or call us on 020 8708 6068 or visit <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/fosteringschools> to book a place at one of our information sessions.

We can't wait to hear from you!

Attendance (Article 28)

At Glade, we recognise that positive behaviour, **arriving at school on time and good attendance** are central to raising standards of pupil attainment and ensuring that your child reaches their full potential. Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

Our classroom doors open at 8.45am where there is work for children to complete. Teachers often allow Early Morning time as opportunity for children to answer Next Steps in their book, time to respond to the teacher's marking and feedback. Children who are late on a regularly miss out on this key learning opportunity.

Please ensure your child is **in school for 8.45am**.

Well done to **Year 5** for the highest attendance!

Year group	W/B 13.11.23
Nursery	81.41%
Reception	82.64%
Year 1	93.00%
Year 2	94.73%
Year 3	95.61%
Year 4	96.17%
Year 5	96.55%
Year 6	94.21%
Whole School	92.95%



Times Table Rock Stars

Times Tables Rock Stars is a maths programme that takes the worry out of learning times tables and has a proven track record of boosting children's fluency and recall in multiplication and division. Every child in KS2 has their own login so that they can access TTRS from home. We encourage children to use TTRS as part of their daily homework.

Well done to our top three winners on TTRS:

1 st	Noel 6B
2 nd	Ali 5J
3 rd	Zubayr 6JM

Awards

Well done to the following children:

<u>Bronze Merits</u>	<u>Silver Merits</u>	<u>Gold Merits</u>
RQ- Yaqoub, Khadija and Sara 2R- Can, Edan and Sami 3S- Aamilah, Samah, Leen and Safa 4W- Raifa, Rida, Shadrach, Ibrahim and Arham 5J- Aryana and Aahil 6JM- Ayesha, Stanley, Darcey, Amaya, Maryam, Nala, Nastia and Daniel	5J- Maryam and Joshua 6JM- Anaaya, Zubayr, Ciara, Arham, Riyah, Basim, Arfa and Eiliyah	6B- Shuaib
<u>Bronze Reading Rocket</u>	<u>Silver Reading Rocket</u>	<u>Free Reader</u>
2M- Xavier 2R- Adam and Aqib	2M- Yaqoub and Dean	4W- Sophia B

Stars of the Week- Article 29

Well done to the ‘Stars of the Week’



Stars of the Week	
RQ- Oscar	RM- Rawan
1M- Eesa	1S- Kubra
2R- Can	2M- Petra
3A- Hamza	3S- Safa
4W- Naomi	4M- Juwayriah
5K- Leo	5J- Aahil
6JM- Eiliyah	6B- Jayden

Writers of the Week- Article 29

Congratulations to our ‘Writers of the Week’



Star Writers	
RQ- Abdullah	RM- Kiran
1M- Raees	1S- Deen
2R- Samuel	2M- Yaqoub
3A- Azeem	3S- Rohan
4W- Jack	4M- Shailen
5K- Wasi	5J- Hira
6JM- Arham	6B- Armelio

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Glade Primary is on Facebook. Please like our page to be kept up to date with information and photos from trips and events.

www.facebook.com/gladeprimaryschool

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs F Hussain
Headteacher

