

SKIPPER'S SCOOP!



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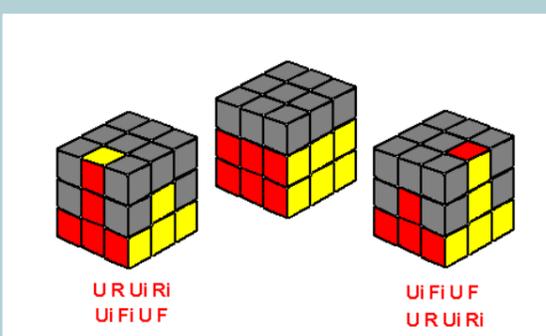
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Hooray—we've completed issue 2!



Another labour of love, but we've completed our second issue! The problem is choosing from all the fabulous things we do at Lowther to write about!

We held our annual Lowther's Got Talent performance—an amazing event which really showcases the amazing hidden skills we have.

We've enjoyed the snow, had visits from authors and our lovely Sinead has won multiple awards for her cooking. Dive in, enjoy and most importantly let us know what you think.

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For this issue the press gang have been answering the following question:

“If you could introduce a new law, what would it be?”

Jake

All parents are required to provide their children with a minimum of £10 pocket money per day.

All adults are banned from embarrassing dancing within 20 feet of children.

Everyone must be able to craft a door in Minecraft!

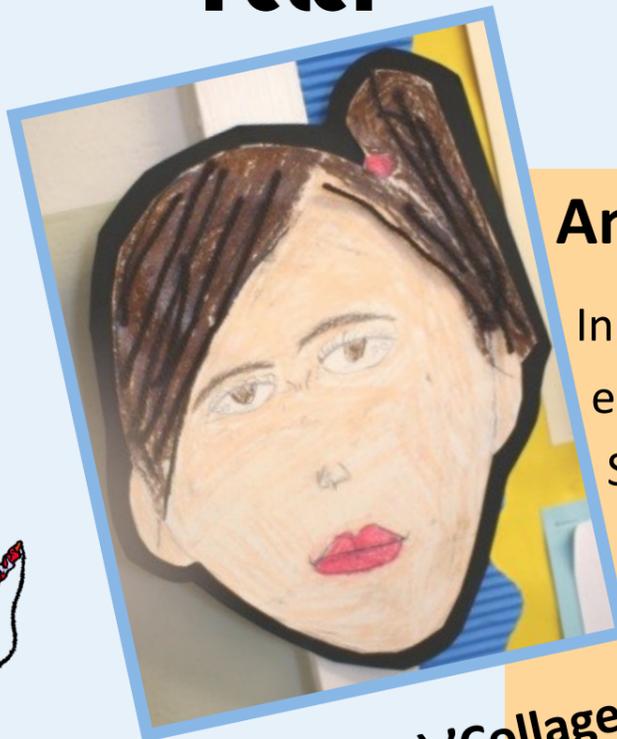
Peter

Hanaa

I would ban PE from all schools!

Leah

Compulsory skipping for everyone!



Marcelle (Yr 4) 'Collage'

An apology!

In our previous issue we credited a piece of art incorrectly. So here it is again, with the correct artist's name — well done Marcelle (Year 4).

Diary Page

Welcome to the Skipper's Scoop diary page which tells you about all the wonderful upcoming events there are at Lowther School.

There's so much going on!



Tuesday 26th February

Wednesday 27th February

Friday 1st March

Monday 4th March

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Wednesday 6th March

Thursday 7th March

Friday 8th March

Monday 11th March

Tuesday 12th March

Wednesday 13th March

Thursday 14th March

Friday 15th March

Tuesday 19th March

Friday 22nd March

Tuesday 26th March

Wednesday 27th March

Thursday 28th March

Maths Day and Swimming Gala

Netball Match—3.45pm Sheen Mount

PTA Race Night

Year 2—National Army Museum

Year 4—Gunnersbury Museum

Year 5/6 Girls Football

World Book Day

KS1 Author Visit—Kas Quinn

Parents Evening

Parents Evening

Year 1—Science Museum

Year 6—Junior Scientist

Choir—Singing Festival

Year 6—O2—British Music Experience

Year 5—British Museum

Community Day/Comic Relief/Fairtrade

Year 1 Portrait Gallery - Private View

Kings House School Eco Day

Year 3/4/5 Production

Year 3/4/5 Production

Last Day of Term

Come Dine with Sinead!

Hanaa Benrahal speaks to our award winning chef Sinead Isett (in-between preparing our delicious school lunches of course)!



So, firstly thank you for agreeing to do this for the magazine - it should look really good.

So what got you cooking in the first place?

I started cooking because when Jamie went to school full time I needed a job with holidays so I could pick her up and take her to school and I started as a GA which is general assistant and worked my way up to cook.

Who's your favourite chef?

My favourite chef I think is Nigella Lawson because she loves to cook and loves to feed people (which is what I love to do) so I

think she's passionate about it and I aspire to be like her.

What's your favourite meal to eat?

Favourite meal to eat, what that I cook?

No, that you just like to eat.

I think everyone likes steak and chips, but I also love things like risotto and meat balls and stuff like that..

What's your favourite meal to cook?

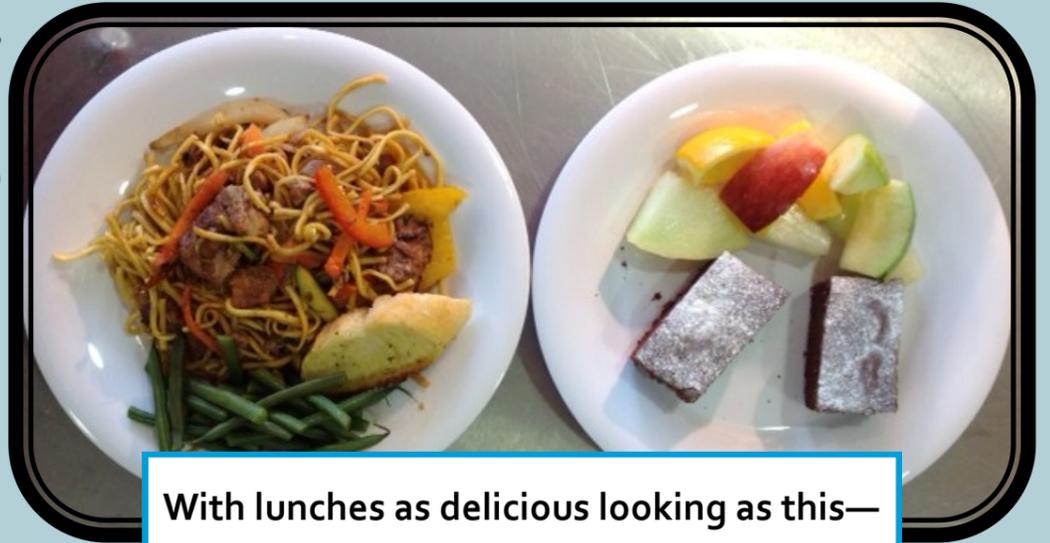
My favourite thing to cook is probably meatballs again (she laughs) I make mean meatballs and curry! Anything really. I love cooking full stop. I love feeding people, that's why I do the job I do.

What did you win your awards for?

I won an award for winning my heat, so I got through to the final and I also won an award for best dessert of the day.

How old were you when you started cooking?

When I started cooking well, I've always cooked at home, but I



With lunches as delicious looking as this—we are certainly lucky at Lowther!

started in the kitchen - well I had Jamie when I was 21, so I was about 26 or 27.

So what were you doing before you started cooking?

I've tried lots of things before I started cooking. I've worked in shops, I've worked in a hairdressers, I've worked in an old people's home as a carer and I also did cleaning for a little while as well.

Thank you so much for letting us interview you for the school magazine and we hope to talk to you soon.

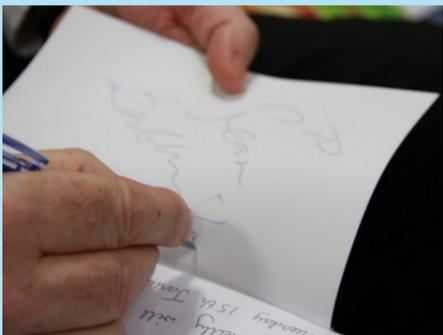


Mad about books? We are!



Interview with an author!

On Monday 14th January, the author Eamonn Reilly visited. Ella caught up with him whilst he was signing some books.



E: What's it like being an author?

R: It's great; you're your own boss. YOU choose when to start work and YOU choose when to stop. I'm lucky, I can always enjoy writing.

E: What would you do if you weren't an author?

R: Ooh, good question, I would play rugby for England.

E: Ha Ha! How long does it take to write a book, Tall Tales for example?

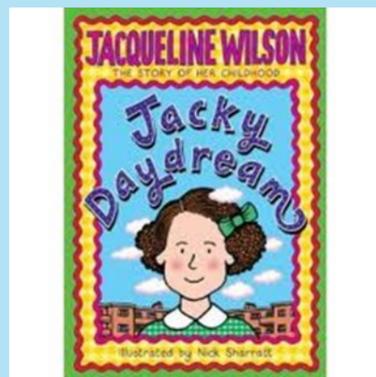
R: Hummm, about a year, on average.

E: What's the best tip you could give to someone who wanted to be a writer?

R: The best tip I could give is do a bit of writing every day.

Book of the Issue!

My 'Book of the Issue' is: Jacky Daydream.



Why I love it: If you love Jacqueline Wilson then you'll LOVE this book. It's all about her childhood, the goods, the bads and the unexpected; this book has everything a girl needs. Its beautiful illustrations by Nick Sharratt make it perfect for the average 8 – 11 year old.

Rating: 9/10, if you want drawings this book hasn't got many, but if you want a big book - it's great.

Recommendations from across the school

Katie, Y5, says: *"Adventure Island books are soooo good. They're very mysterious, like the reader has to solve the story."*

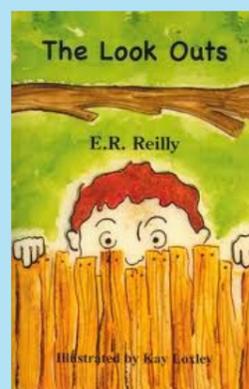


Hope, Y4, says: *"I love Tall Tales because it's scary and surprising."*

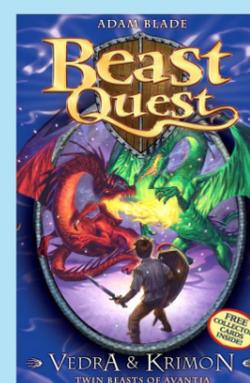


Ela, Y4, says: *"I like secret seven because it's very adventurous"*

Jake, Y6, says: *"I like The look-outs because it inspired me to build a fort. There is a twist, but you've got to read the book to find out!"*



Zoe the tooth fairy because it's about fairy's! Sara, Y1.



I like Beast Quest because it has loads of cool monsters.



The Lord Mayor's Children's Party



On Saturday 5th January, Hope and Hayden from Year 4 were lucky enough to attend the Lord Mayor's Children's Party with the Mayor of Richmond – Rita Palmer.

Hope – First of all we were collected from our homes in the Mayor's very own car.

Hayden - When we arrived we had to show our invitations and made our way to the Egyptian hall.

Hope – We were also given a yellow tea ticket and a map of the Lord Mayor's mansion house.

Hayden – After that we went to tea – there were lots of little cakes, carrot sticks, selection of vegetables, half healthy and half treaty!

Hope – there was a clown called Stripey and he made a helicopter out of balloons. We had to dress in our best clothes. I wore my blue dress with a gold collar. I also wore black shoes with large jewelled bows on the front.

Hayden – I wore a white shirt with pink pin stripes and smart trousers. I wore my smartest shoes which are yellow with rainbow colours on.

Hayden – and we had free ice cream.

Hope – In the Egyptian hall we learnt a song for the Lord Mayor. We also went to a Punch and Judy show.

Hayden—there were animals there as well!

Hope—Hayden held a huge spider which was black and furry. There was also an owl that flew around the room. There was also a baby meerkat with its dad, a bat and a gecko and someone had a snake around their neck.

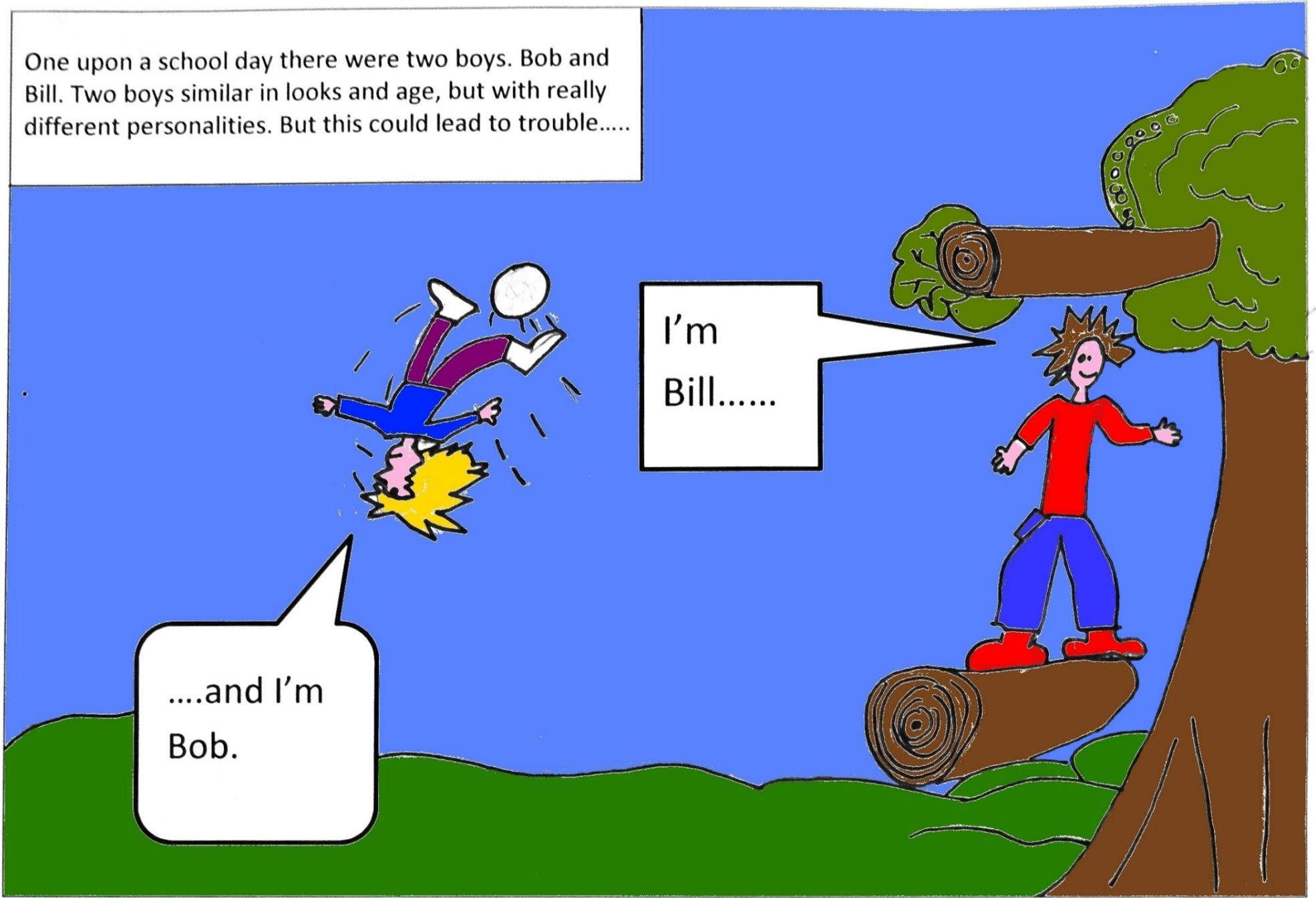
Hayden – Stripey the clown joked that the mayor would chop off his head if he took us in rooms we weren't allowed.

Hope – We went into different rooms by doing the Conga. At the end we all had to go in to the Egyptian Hall and a bunch of balloons fell down from the ceiling and we had to catch as many as we could.

Hayden/Hope—We had an amazing time!

The Right Thing to Do!

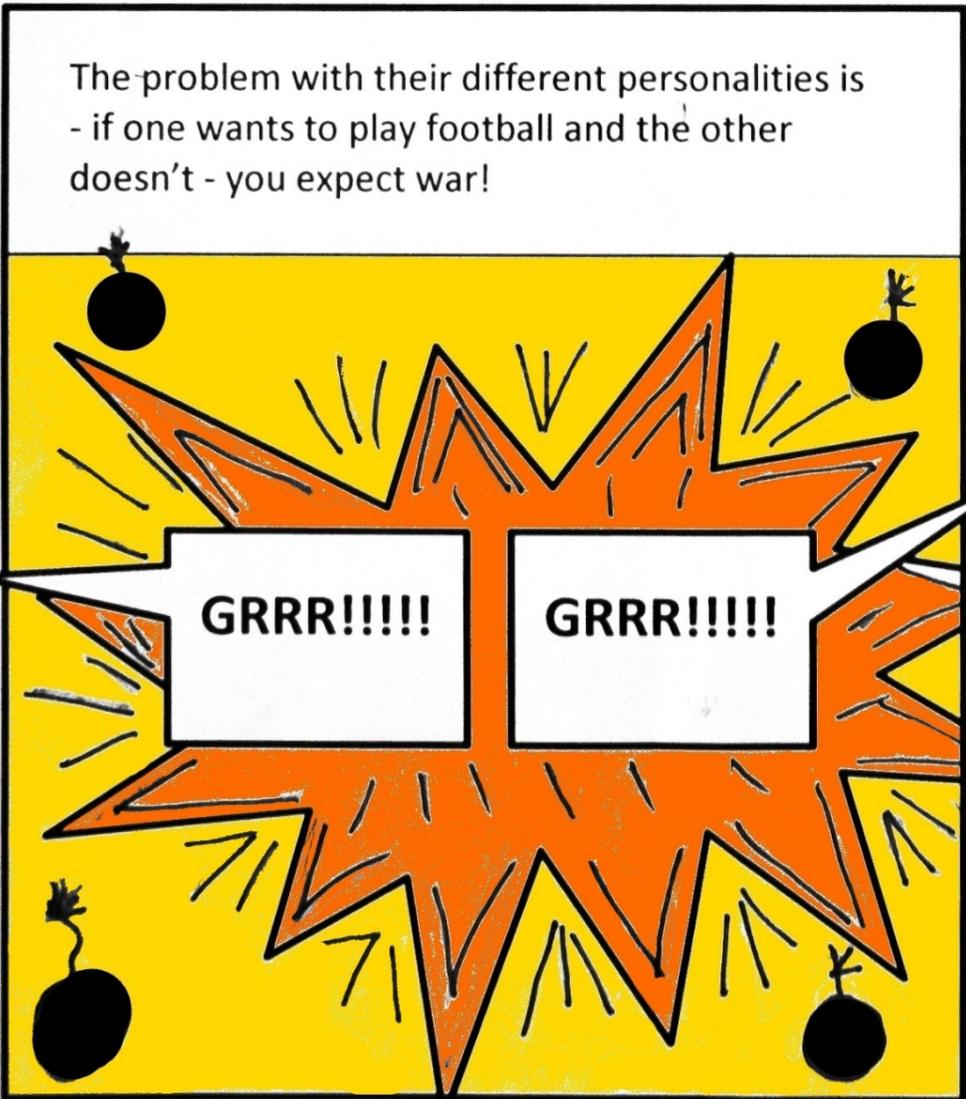
One upon a school day there were two boys. Bob and Bill. Two boys similar in looks and age, but with really different personalities. But this could lead to trouble.....



....and I'm Bob.

I'm Bill.....

The problem with their different personalities is - if one wants to play football and the other doesn't - you expect war!



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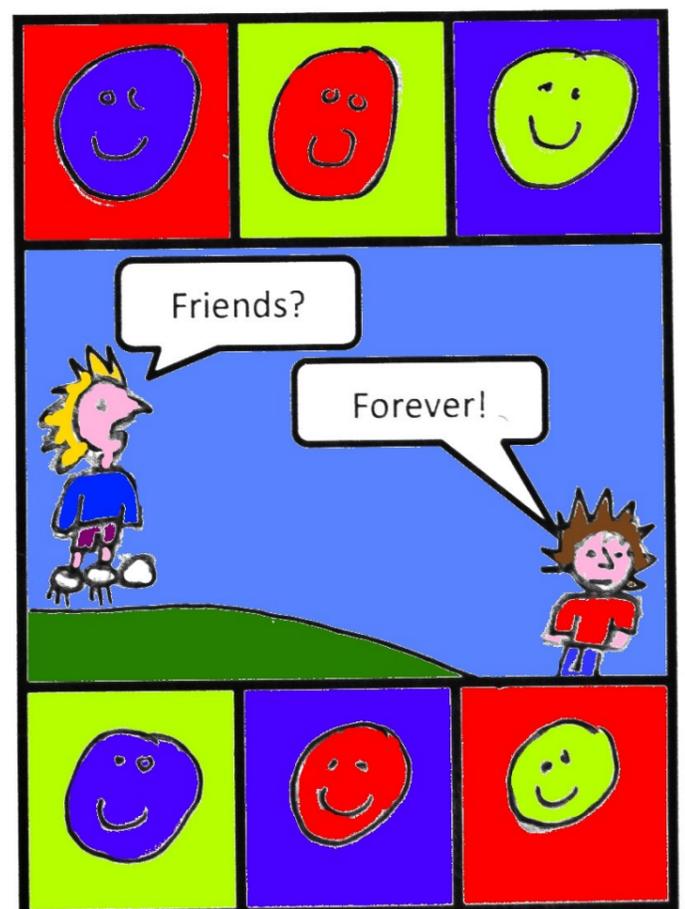
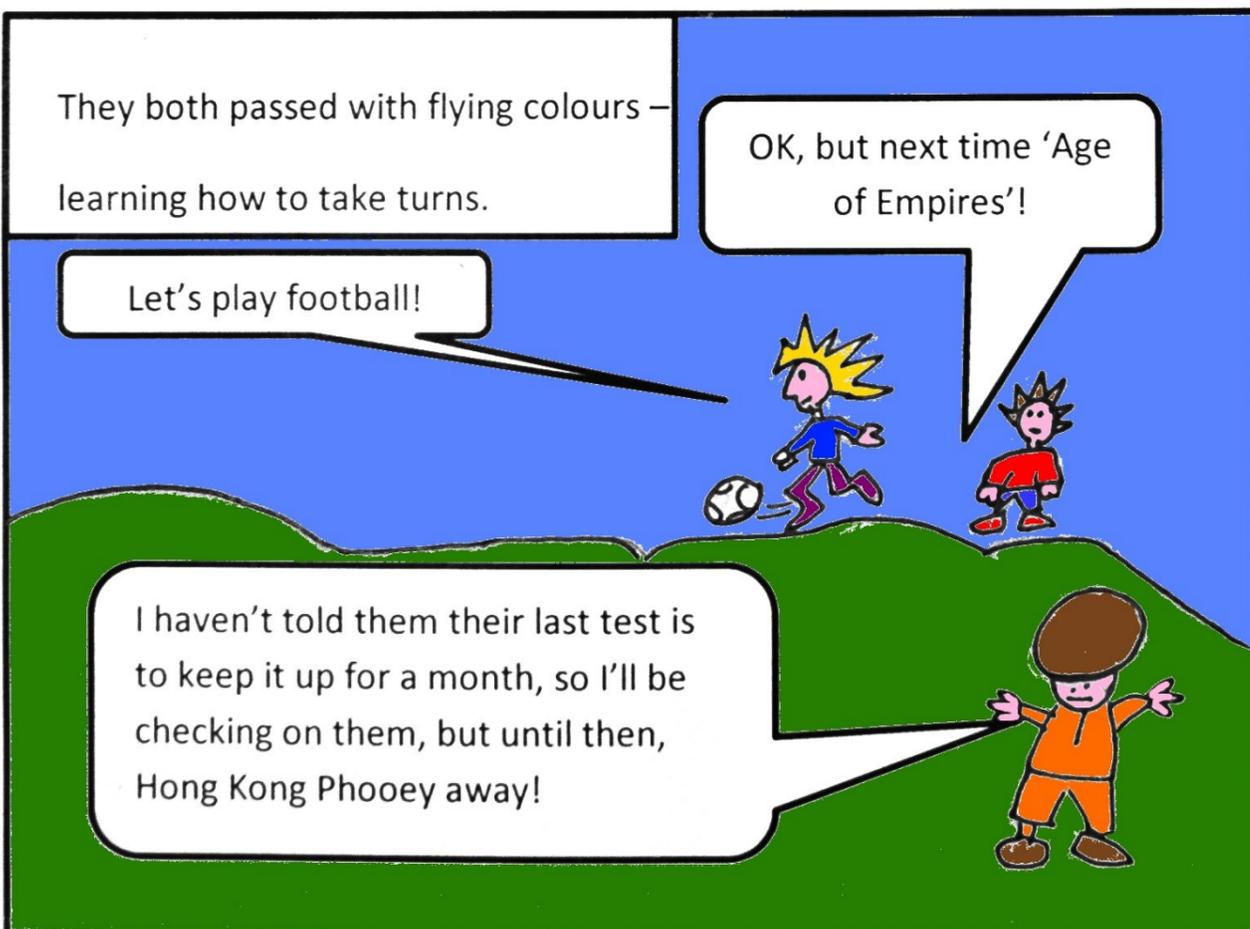
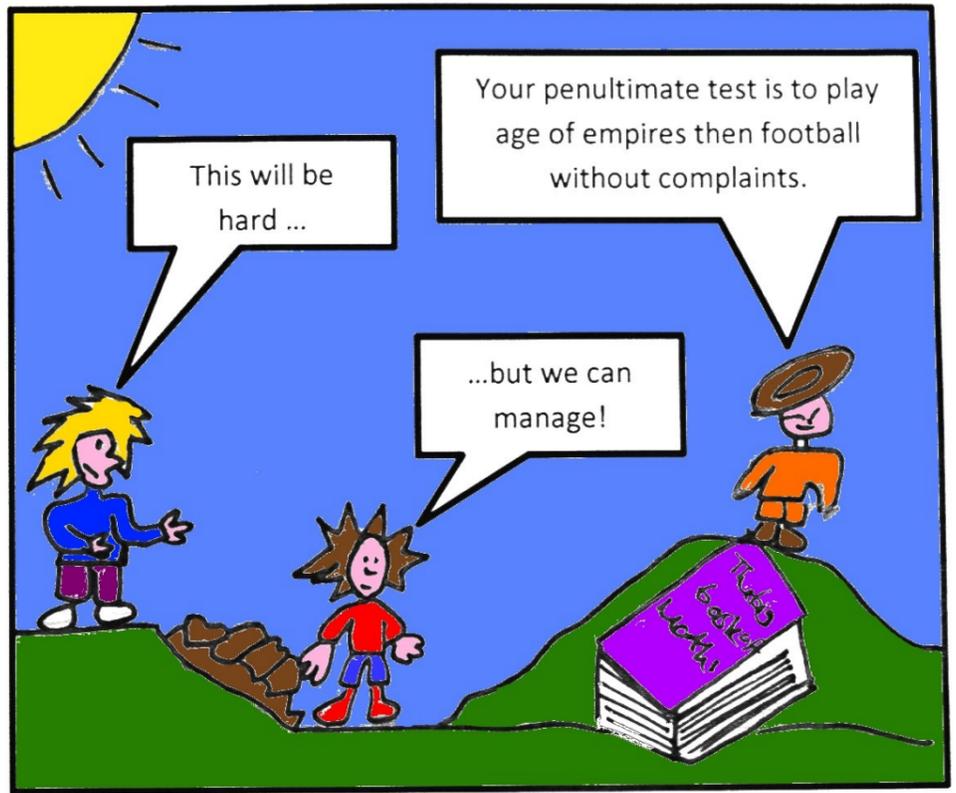
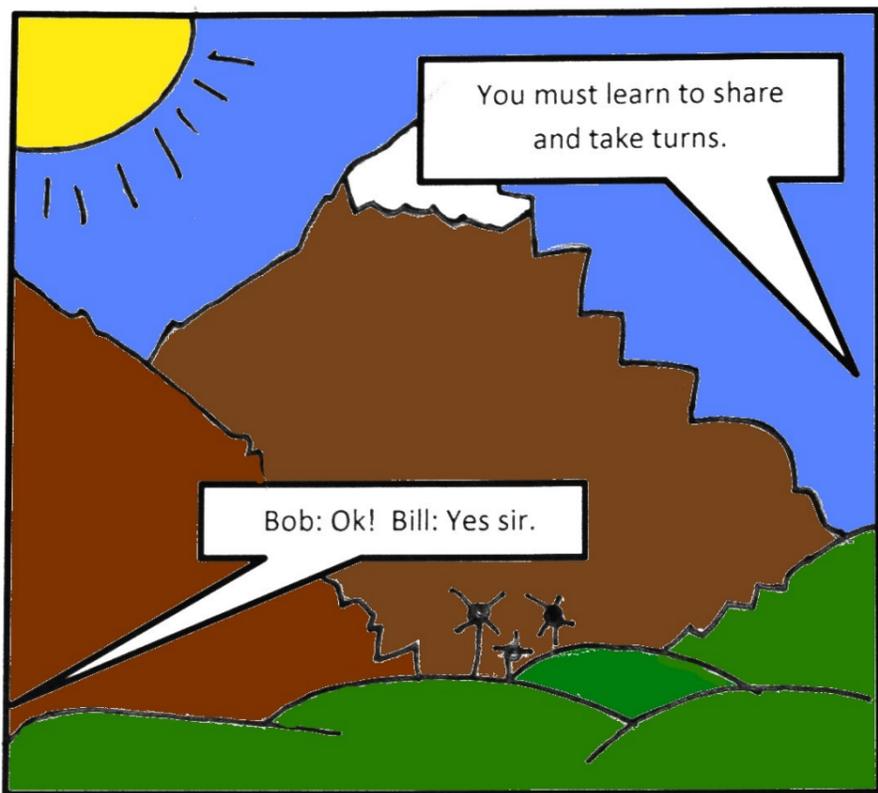
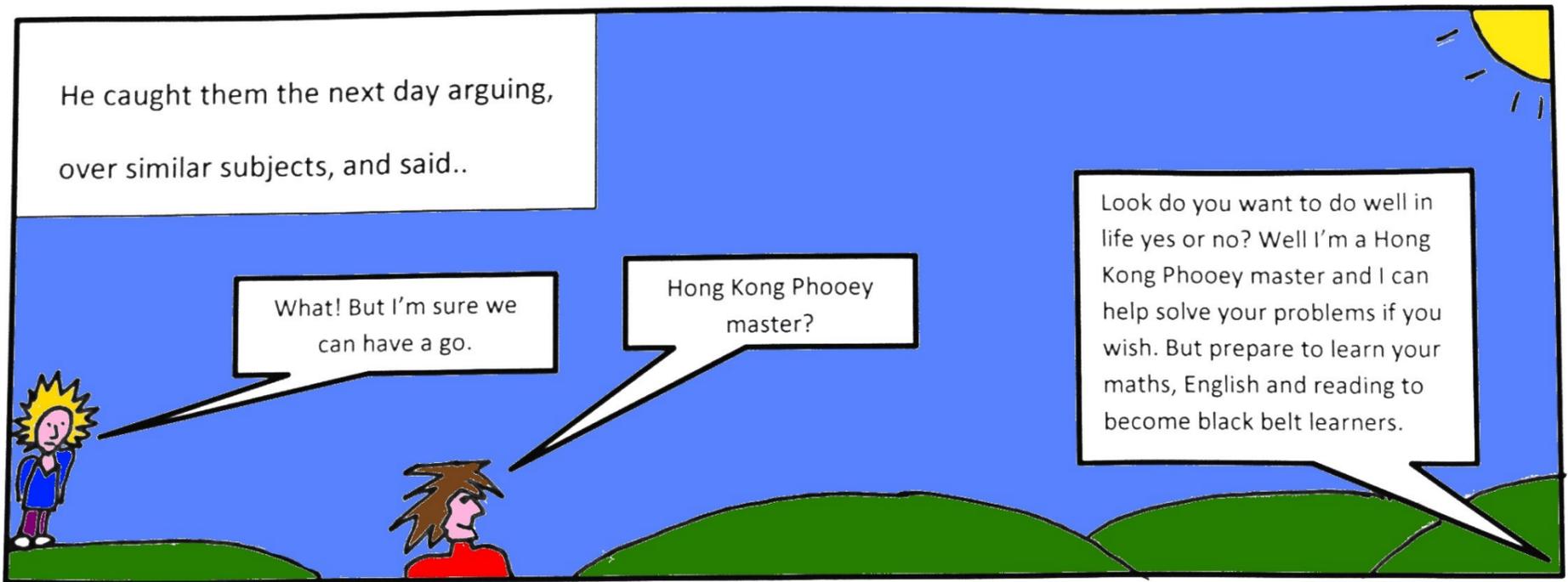
One day, a Hong Kong Phooey master saw them fighting and went to help them sort their 'inner learning' attitude out.



FOOTBALL!

NO! AGE OF EMPIRE!

MMA



Written and illustrated by Peter Innes

Behind The Scenes With Year 6

By Tabby Ellis

In year 6 we do lots of fun stuff, but it is SATs year so we have to work very hard. The first week after the summer holidays was lots of fun, but when we moved into the new building—we got down to the big stuff!

Tuesday 12^h February 2013

9.00am — Morning work. This is generally maths based, but sometimes we have other types of problems to solve. Morning work helps us to prepare for the lessons ahead and is always something we can do independently. This morning was a subtraction grid problem.

9.20am—Literacy. We've been studying the secret diary of Adrian Mole aged 13 3/4. Mr Tuffney set the scene by reading another section and we answered some questions.

10.05am—ICT. Continuing on from our Literacy session we had to write another entry for 'The Day in the Life of Adrian Mole'. We were using the thesaurus on PowerPoint to improve our vocabulary.

11.00am —Break

11.15am —Science. At the moment we're working on the topic 'Forces'. Today we had to create a drama that included all the vocabulary that we've been learning.

12.35pm—LUNCH. School dinners today was sausage, beans and mash and chocolate pudding.

1.30pm — We had a variety of activities this afternoon as some of us were preparing for the Key Stage 2 open evening. There were music rehearsals (singing, recorders and violins), Science dramas to watch from this morning and Roy Lichtenstein Art to create.

LOWTHER'S GOT TALENT

On Friday 18th of January, talented members from all over the school auditioned for a place in the final of this year's Lowther's Got Talent. The judging panel consisted of - Miss Jenkins (teacher), Victor (Y6 student), Hanaa (Y6 student) and Leah (Y6 student)

On Friday 25th of January the final took place. The judges were awesome and the finalists were ace. It was very entertaining and funny (in a good way)—everybody enjoyed it!



Even the teachers had a go! The whole afternoon was fantastic and Mr Green and Mr Tuffney were hilarious as 'Ant and Dec'! The 3 winning acts were really good, well, all the acts were really good.

- 1st Mischa**
- 2nd Owen and Leon**
- 3rd Emily**

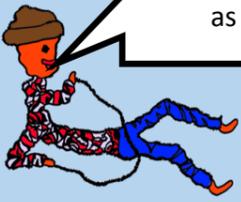
Mischa performed a deep voice poem—it was really scary, but funny at the same time—I think that's why she won.

Owen and Leon had a little twist (literally). They were ballerinas doing pirouettes one minute and then they were 'men in black'—street dancing.

Emily used a big monkey puppet to perform a poem on what to do and what not to do! For example— Don't throw confetti at the telly!



Skipping is a good warm-up exercise as well!



VICTOR'S GUIDE TO PE WARM-UPS

We try many different sports during our PE lessons at Lowther. However, warm-ups are an important part of the session. Here are a few of our favourites:

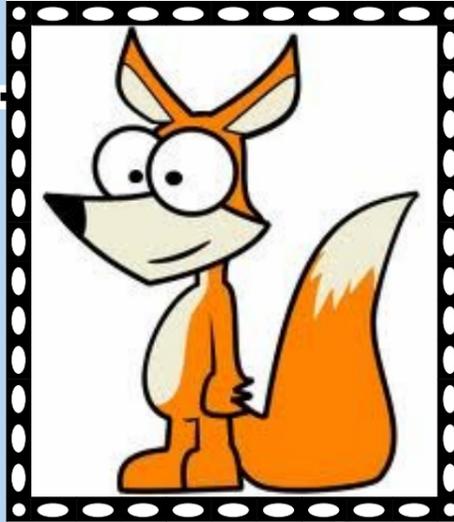
A good tag rugby warm-up game is 'Foxes and Farmers'. There are three farmers and



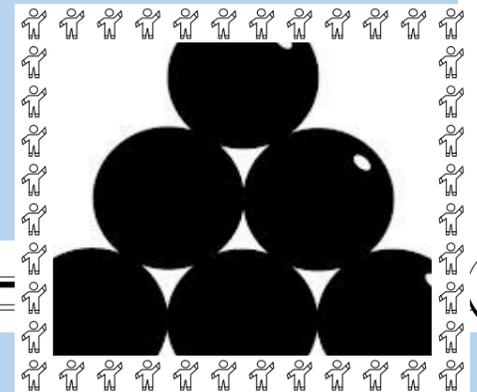
the rest of the class are foxes (who wear the tags). On the count of 3, the farmers try and collect as many tags as they can.

When foxes lose both their tags—they are out. A good

warm-up for stamina and practising tactics in rugby!



Canon ball alley! Two adults are at opposite ends of the hall/astro pitch. We run across the hall/astro pitch as the adults roll soft balls towards each other. If they hit us from the waist down—we are out! Great for practising dodging skills.



Another favourite warm-up for stamina is the 'bleep test'. We have to run 20 metres before the 'bleep'. The bleeps get closer together! A really good exercise for all round fitness.



FIT FOR SPORT AT LUNCH TIME

Fit For Sport run our after school club, but did you know they also provide additional supervision at lunchtimes at Lowther?



"I love the games they play—it makes lunchtime so much fun."

"You can make suggestions for games to play and they will add it to their timetable"

"We play games with the sports equipment, but it's different to lessons as you can choose what you play."

"I love the parachute because we always play cat and mouse!"



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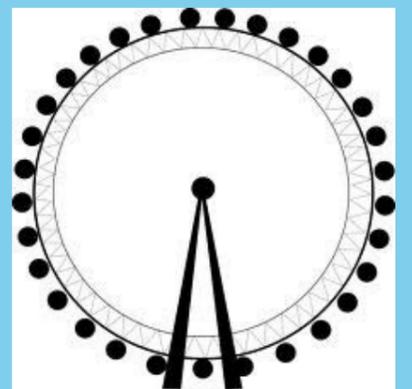
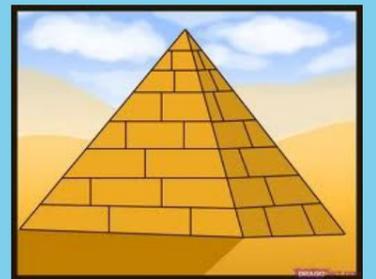
Cake Competition!

Is your passion cooking? Well then this competition has your name all over it! If you would like to enter then all you have to do is bake a brilliant cake! All types of cakes accepted. Cakes for this competition should be handed in to Jake in Year 6—along with the recipe instructions on Friday 22nd March, so get baking soon. The judges are going to be the press gang themselves and there may be a special guest judge as well—so make them good. If you win this competition (results in Issue 3) your recipe will appear in issue 3!

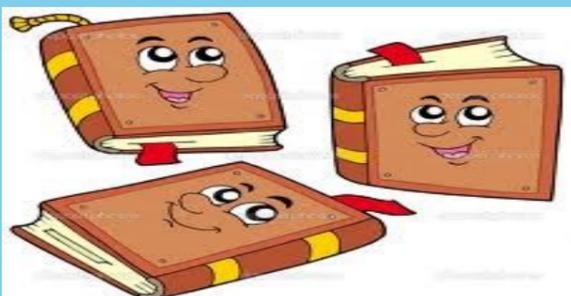
Model making

Do you want to be an artist when you grow up? Well then this is definitely your thing. All you have to do is make a model of a pyramid, Big Ben or the London Eye.

There will be a prize for the best pyramid, Big Ben and London Eye and each contestant will get a certificate. Entries to Jake in Year 6 by Thursday 28th March.



Short writing competition



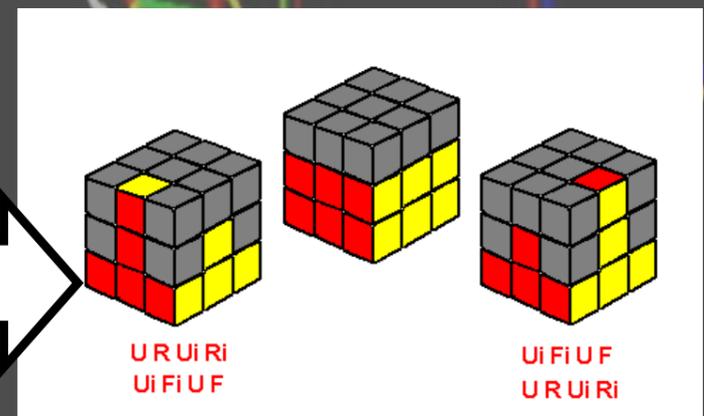
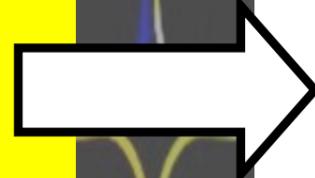
Is baking not your thing? Then why not try our short writing task. Get your brain working and your hands writing, all you have to do is write a 250 word story. Use your powerful imagination and get those hands writing. The deadline for your story is Friday 15th March. Good luck!

Rubik's page is on a rampage!

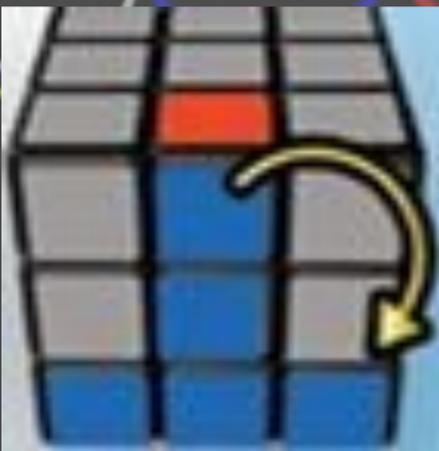
With one side and a layer completed, you will need to solve the middle layer. Note that you'll have to swap and replace to get it solved.



When you've completed the first layer and the face, turn the upper face to get an edge on its suitable colour (it'll make an upside-down 'T' by the way)!



If you're moving the edge piece on the top face, in the direction of the pictures below, use these algorithms.





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