

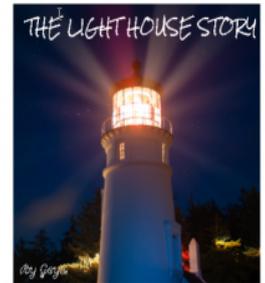
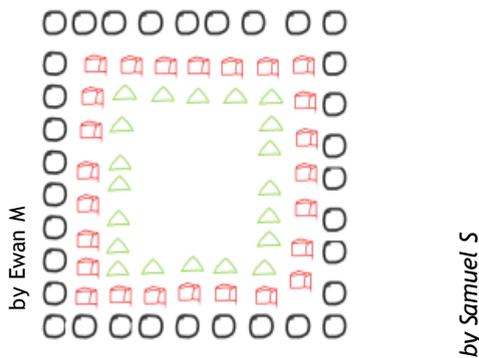


Term 3 Term 3's theme was multimedia. What a joy to work with such creative minds!



In Year 3, we learned how to use Microsoft Word by changing text effects like font, size, colour and style. We also practised saving files to our named folders on the server.

We also learned to use an art program. We saved our art and inserted it into a j2e page to make a page border (which feature in this term's newsletter!)



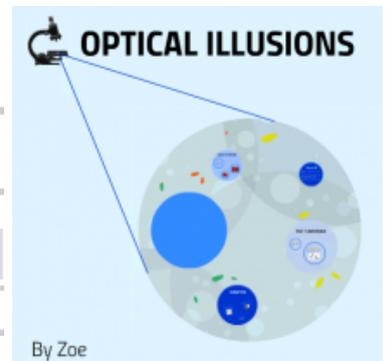
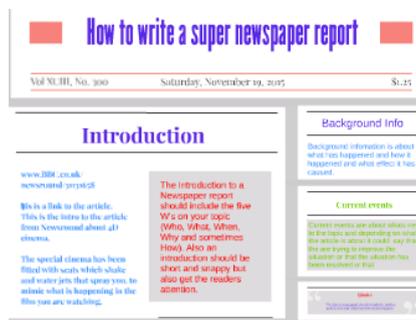
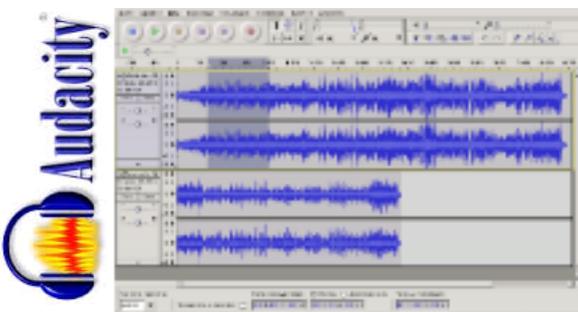
In Year 4, we wrote up our lighthouse stories as eBooks. We typed, found and inserted pictures, designed our pages and set up hyperlinks between pages.



We searched for images "labelled for reuse" as we would be publishing our books online and discussed the importance of respecting other people's work.

You can find some examples on the Year 4 blog.

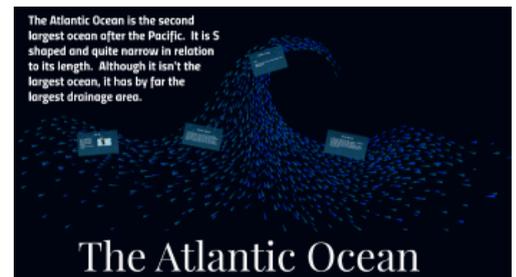
In Year 5, we planned and recorded podcasts which we edited in Audacity by adding music and effects. We found royalty free music and discussed the importance of having the owner's permission to use it in our online projects.



In Year 6, we learned how to use Prezi to create exciting and informative presentations. We combined text, images, background music and other effects.



Under the spotlight is our earth.





Blogging

Each Year group has its own blog on our website and children and staff have been busy sharing their learning - please have a look. There is a link on the main page to each blog. **We would love to have some comments (without including children's names) - it would really encourage us.**

Yeargroup Blogs

3 4 5 6 MrW's ICT



Shapes by Rosie J



Encouraging positive learning attitudes in computing

I try to do this in different ways and you can help too!

1 Promoting our school learning attitudes:

be positive, be curious, be resourceful, be sociable, be resilient, be reflective.

2 Colour badges - awarding children with digital badges



Please help children to look after their usernames and passwords for j2e and Google Apps. It would be a good plan to know their details so that you can help them and also show an interest in what they are doing.

Teddies by Jamie



Agreement forms...

Thank you for reading and signing agreement forms - we see this as a really important agreement so we can all work together to keep our children (and ourselves!) safe and responsible online.

IT academy and IT Incredibles, our student-led lunchtime clubs have been continuing to run this term. Thank you to Ben and Edward, Joe and Bill for their hard work (and Jess for her great support).

Mr W's ICT blog

I often post lessons and resources here - please visit and leave a comment or question.

Teddy border by Nailah



Term 4

Term 4 has been a short but busy term! We managed to fit in:

Read for my school - signing up and exploring this online reading challenge. Lots of children have also used LearnPads to access Read for my School during guided reading sessions.

During **reading week**, we used computing in a variety of ways to explore the ideas in our books. For example, Lime class created a spin-off eBook by using greenscreening to allow them to float off in the air on their chairs...



Junior Librarian - receiving our new logins for our online library system. Children can now search our library catalogue online and review books and even reserve.

Programming part 2 - We have started to use Scratch to learn how to program simple games. It's a great way to learn the basics of programming. We will carry on working on our Scratch projects after Easter.



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(e)Safety resources

Pick up from school:
Vodafone Digital Parenting magazine
Facebook leaflet

Online - eSafety page on our website
internetmatters.org
childnet.com
thinkuknow.co.uk

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