



Welcome to the first ever Newspaper for DMB!!!

Spring 2 Issue 1

## THE ATTACK OF STORM FRANKLIN!

**Storm Franklin caused severe floods across Bradford.**

Storm Franklin caused havoc across the district with violent gale-force winds and torrential rain. It had been reported that the flooding led to chaos in many areas of Yorkshire as flights were delayed. A resident in BD18 informed us that her recycling bin flew away from her garden and the rubbish from her been scattered across the street. It is estimated that around 1.4 million people lost power during the vicious storm. Major rivers burst their banks which was the cause of the over flooding; causing concern to many people. Another resident in Bradford reported that recently she had extended her house and her extended wall (which was nearly fully constructed) fell down due to the fierce winds.

Umme-Aiman 6C



## KS2 Leaderboard!

### Leaderboard

Top Classes - Total Avg. Reading Lessons (SR)  
All Weeks (Including Current)

1. Year 5 (2021/22)	109.5
2. Year 3 (2021/22)	107.5
3. Year 6 (2021/22)	87.2
4. Year 4 (2021/22)	78.6

This week Year 4 parents came to an informative meeting about Reading Plus and its benefits for helping your child to read with fluency and comprehension. Year 4 are now challenged to rise to the top of the leaderboard! Look out for your child's report this week in years 3-6

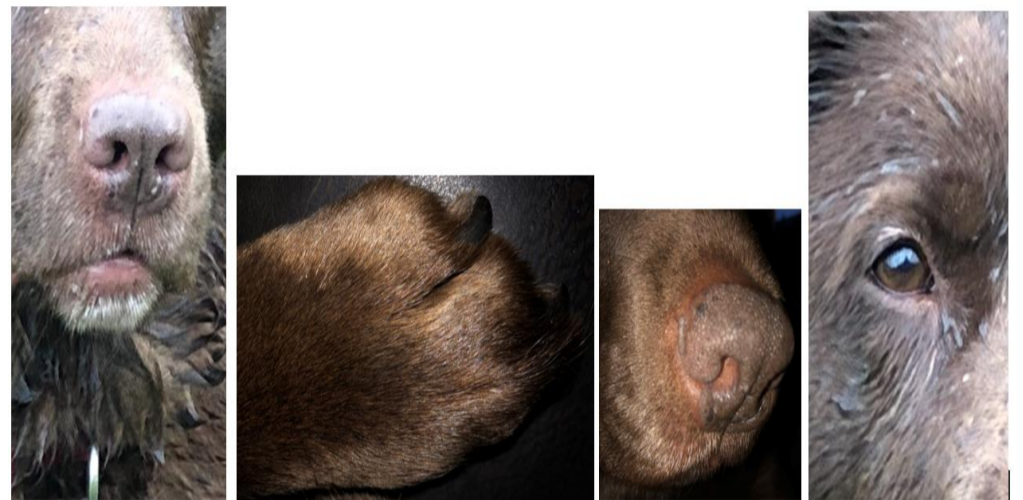
## We're Going on a Bear Hunt!

Recently, Reception class were searching high and low for a growling, sneaky, brown bear.

Miss Stephenson said she had seen the bear in the hub and the car park at hometime, but it has not been seen since!

Year 4 wrote letters and reception are now concerned as he is leaving honey marks around the school. One witness said, "I have seen scratch marks around 5 Brazil's classroom door!"

If you have seen it or know where he is hiding, please let Mrs Hanney know without delay.



## Together Again

Mrs Haunch is thrilled that all classes can now meet in the hall for assemblies. She said in a recent interview, "It has been two long years and I cannot wait to see all the children together again."

## MOTHER'S DAY CUPCAKE SALE



**THIS WEEK!** Buy for 50p a cupcake to treat your mum. See your teacher for more information.

## Storm Franklin caused chaos across Yorkshire

Storm Franklin caused severe havoc across Yorkshire & Bradford with a bombardment of gale-force winds. Due to heavy downpours, it had been reported that the Rochdale train station looked like a canal. According to locals, houses were in danger of subsiding after an enormous landslide occurred in a back garden in Keighley. Residents of the local district reported that construction work had to stop due to the storm, which caused nearby roofs to collapse onto the cars. The Met Office confirmed that it was too dangerous to make journeys in the howling wind. Close to Ilkley and Otley neighbourhoods, residents confirmed that major rivers had burst their banks. According to an occupant on Curzon Road, Storm Franklin saw strong winds batter Bradford in the early hours on that Monday. It caused fallen trees and in some coastal areas homes were damaged. The Met Office issued warnings after surprising snowfall and heavy rain.

Report by Armaan-6C

Write your opinions on your class blog to begin a discussion and debate or email the news desk team: [astephenson@dixonsmb.com](mailto:astephenson@dixonsmb.com)

**Thank you to our new, talented, creative news desk team who have worked hard to bring this first issue to you: Hana, Aayat, Mahmood, Abdulsaboer, Muhammad, Hibba, Faatimah (Year 5) Muskaan, Hibah, Umme-Hani, Umme-Aiman (Year 6)**

There were so many winners for Spelling Bee. The next word lists are on your class blogs and the final is on 5 and 6th April. Get buzzzzzy spelling!

## Let's get BUZZZZY!





# International Womens Day

**T**uesday 8th March 2022 was International Women's Day where we celebrated the economical, cultural and political achievements of women. Bertha Benz was a German automotive pioneer and inventor, she married Carl Benz and was a mother to 5 children ( Ellen Benz, Richard Benz, Thilde Benz, Eugen Benz, Clara Benz). She was born on the 3rd of May 1849 and at this time women's education was not thought to be important. Fast Forward a few years she is the first woman to ride an automobile for 180 km and it took her a day and a half to complete this task. Sadly, on 5 May 1944, she passed away. But her legacy will remain forever.

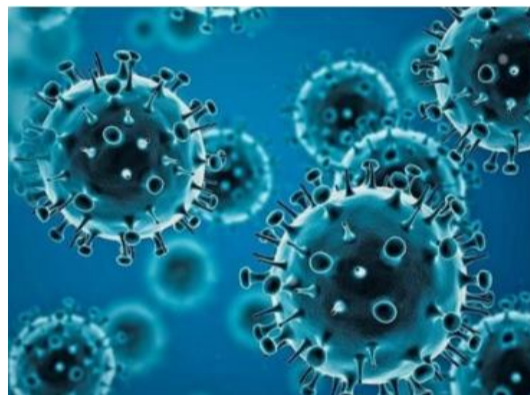


*Happy International Day*

## Covid Restrictions Ease

As many of you may know Covid restrictions have eased and this is what the teachers at DMB think about it. Mrs Lynch (Vice Principal) said, "At the start, I was very nervous that Covid might spike since there were no restrictions but now after getting used to it I feel better." Miss Bashir (Assistant Principal) stated, "I feel it was time for the rules to ease so we could come to a normality."

- U Rahman 6 USA



*-H. Zeb 6 USA*

*Quote of the week*

*"One hundred years ago from now it won't matter what car I drove. What kind of house I lived in. How much I had in my bank account, nor what clothes looked like; But, the world may be a little better because I was important in the life of a child. "*

*- Bertha Benz*

## Tigers Make A Comeback

As many of you may know urbanisation and hunting has drastically decreased the tiger population. In 2010 there were as few as 3200 wild tigers in the world. But luckily for us recently the population of tigers have increased. In India alone -which has around  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the population of tigers - there are estimated to be 3350 wild tigers! In 2009, Neighbouring Nepal has seen increases from 121 to 235 tigers in only a matter of a decade. New figures from wildlife charity WWF suggests a resurgence in their numbers. Experts are describing it as a "Remarkable comeback." Becci (WWF's UK regional manager) states, "A real team effort is needed...we need to share our enthusiasm for tigers and tell our friends and family how important they are."

- U Rahman 6 USA

*"..with a collective effort, we've shown the world that we can turn the tide for tigers!" - Becci*





# To cover or not to cover?

COVID - 19 restrictions now come to an end. Face mask coverings are no longer required by students in secondary schools in Scotland. Is this a wise decision? Are we completely safe from COVID-19?

Scientists have gathered evidence that show COVID-19 is no longer a major threat . However people are still cautious and fear the rise of Covid-19 again if we ease the restrictions too soon.

Students are allowed to make the personal choice of wearing a mask or not. This is their right. Teachers cannot ask students to take off their masks in classrooms.

Some teachers have expressed concerns that masks are causing a low level of distraction where students are using wearing masks as an excuse to talk over teachers. To resolve the issues education authorities need to come up with strategies to identify which students should wear masks for medical reasons only.

BY H.Hussain 5 Brazil



## Isaac Newton

### Who was Sir Isaac Newton?

Isaac Newton was born on 4 January 1643 in Woolsthorpe Manor House. He was a man who discovered gravity. Isaac was around 44 years old when he discovered gravity. Hannah Ayscough is best known as the **mother of Sir Isaac Newton**. She was born in Market Overton in Rutland to James Ayscough and his wife Margery Blythe. Hannah married farmer Isaac Newton, the elder, in April 1642 and moved to Woolsthorpe Manor, near Colsterworth. Sir Isaac Newton was an English mathematician, physicist, astronomer, alchemist, theologian, and author widely recognised as one of the greatest mathematicians and physicists of all time and among the most influential scientists. He was a key figure in the philosophical revolution known as enlightenment.

## Asteroid nearly hits Earth !

Asteroid 2015 DR 215 had made it on to NASA's 'close approach' list but don't worry, it was a safe distance away. NASA is an acronym for National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

It was thought to have passed Earth at a distance of 4.1 million miles away so it would have been no danger to us!

The asteroid was around 1,600 feet wide, which is three times larger than the Great Pyramid in Egypt.

Asteroids are giant space rocks in our solar system that orbit the Sun.

Sometimes they are called NEOs - Near Earth Objects.

The last big asteroid to actually hit Earth was 66 million years ago - the one that caused the dinosaurs to become extinct - but roughly 26,000 asteroids have skimmed past Earth since 1990, according to NASA's Centre for Near Earth Object Studies.

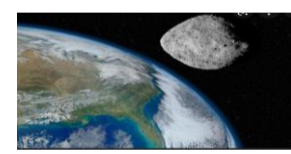
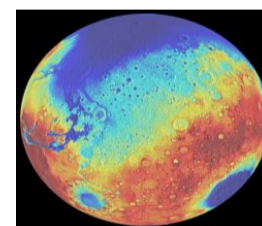
There are lots of asteroids that NASA constantly monitors which are 140 meters or larger and are classed as hazardous. However, the chances of them hitting Earth are still very small.

Small asteroids strike the Earth almost all the time but due to their much smaller size, they get burnt up in the atmosphere before they hit ground.

But there are no asteroids in existence that currently pose a threat to Earth, but NASA are getting ready just in case.

They even have a mission in space at the moment called DART - which aims to try out diverting an asteroid by crashing into it!

Other small asteroids a few metres in size are detected passing between Earth and the Moon's orbit several times a month. By H.H



### What Newton discovered

Isaac Newton changed the way we understand the Universe. Revered in his own lifetime, he discovered **the laws of gravity and motion** and invented calculus. He helped to shape our rational worldview.

By A.H in 5 Brazil.





# Ukraine Is Fighting Back!

Russia began an invasion of Ukraine on 24 February 2022, in an escalation of the Russo-Ukrainian War that began in 2014. It is the largest conventional military attack in Europe since World War II.



... Unnamed US officials reportedly told multiple news outlets that Russia had asked China to provide military assistance after it began the invasion. The Chinese foreign ministry did not address the allegation directly, but accused the US of maliciously spreading disinformation about China.

The exchanges come before top US and Chinese officials met in Rome. US media outlets, citing Washington officials, say that Russia has in recent days asked China specifically for military equipment, including drones. In a CNN interview, US National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan said they were, "Communicating directly, privately to Beijing that there will absolutely be consequences for large-scale sanctions evasion efforts or support to Russia to backfill them". "We will not allow that to go forward and allow there to be a lifeline to Russia from these economic sanctions from any country, anywhere in the world," he said. He added that while the US believed China was aware that Russian leader Vladimir Putin was, "Planning something," before the invasion happened.



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## **Fifty children will arrive in the UK later having left Ukraine due to the war in the country.**

The children, aged between two and 17, are all from an orphanage in the eastern Ukrainian city of Dnipro.

They will fly to London with their carers this evening, before travelling onto Scotland later in the week.

The children are being helped by the charity Dnipro Kids, which was set by fans of the Scottish Premiership football club Hibernian F.C.



# SPACE STATION

The International Space Station is to be dumped into the pacific oceans, when it is retired from service in nine years, the orbiting station, operated jointly by the space agencies of the United States, Canada, Russia, Europe and Japan, is currently only approved and funded to be used until 2024. But it is hoped that it will be extended to carry on working until 2031. It is believed the station will have become worn out and outdated by then. When its time up, the station will be crashed into a part of the pacific ocean known as point Nemo, the place on earth furthest from any land which has been used as a graveyard for old satellites and space junk.

M Hussain 6 USA



Did you know the International Space Station (ISS) is the largest man-made object in space at 356 feet (109 metres) long?

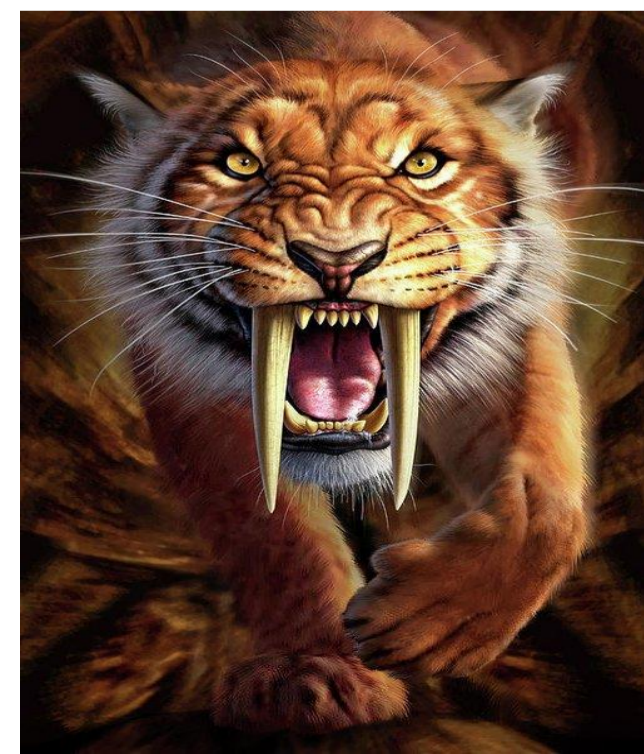
## Mammoth Sighting



The remains of Ice Age creatures including woolly mammoths, woolly rhinoceros and hyenas have been discovered on a building site in Devon. Archeologist working on the site Sherford, a new town being built near Plymouth, found the bones in a cave system beneath the development. They included an almost complete skeleton of a wolf and partial remains of horses and reindeer. These creatures are believed to have lived here during the Ice Age around 30,000 years ago and woolly Mammoths became extinct more than 10,000 years ago.

M Hussain 6 USA

## De- Extinct Species



The saber tooth tiger was a majestic and horrifying creature that lived years ago. It attacked several mammoths and it was hunted by people until it was extinct but scientist are very near to bring back the saber tooth tiger using genetics and cool science.

There are more animals like this one :  
mammoth, moa, ground sloth, dodo, woolly rhinoceros, irish elk, bija river dolphin, siberian unicorn. AM Butt 5 Brazil



# Ukraine vs Russia or so..

Roman Abramovich has left Chelsea (the famous football club) and many fans are emotional for Chelsea because he has been there for more than 20 years! Abramovich is Russian.

by I.M



**If you are upset by the news, it's important to know that you are not the only one and it's OK to have those feelings.**

You can rely on Newsround to tell you the important facts about a story - but some things you hear might be scary or make you feel worried.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>



## Ronaldo Strikes Hat-Trick!(3 goals)

On Saturday 12th March, Ronaldo scored 3 goals against Conte's defence. The first goal, inspired Man United to win. A banger from half way! What a goal! Harry Kane player for Tottenham (Spurs) scored a penalty. Next Ronaldo made a speedy run from halfway without the ball. Sancho ran as well with the ball and then passed the ball to Ronaldo for him to score. Then Ronaldo struck the hat-trick. A good game indeed!

### Red Nose Day

On Friday 18th, March 2022 it was an exciting day because it was Red Nose Day. Red Nose Day is charity that helps vulnerable people. In school we paid to buy a red nose and all proceeds were collected. DMB made a whopping £689.71! Thank you.

By A.Hussain



## Science Slime!

Last week was Science Week and DMB 5 Brazil made gooey, glittery slime. Slime is similar to play-dough and can be made in any kitchen. Raees Muhammad M liked it because he likes playing with slime and he thinks it is fun. He is trying to show you that doing lessons can help you to be fun! Miss Stephenson suggested in her text to parents, "Please wash clothes as your child is covered in slime!" Why don't you have a go at making it? All you need is corn flour, shampoo and some fun colours and glitter!

The Science Behind



Fun of Home with Kids

### How to Make Fluffy Slime

1. Combine shampoo and cornstarch in a bowl and mix well.
2. If desired, mix in 3-4 drops of food coloring.
3. Add in 1 tablespoon of water and stir. Stirring well after each, slowly add 5 additional tablespoons of water.
4. Knead the slime for around 5 minutes.
5. Store in an airtight container.





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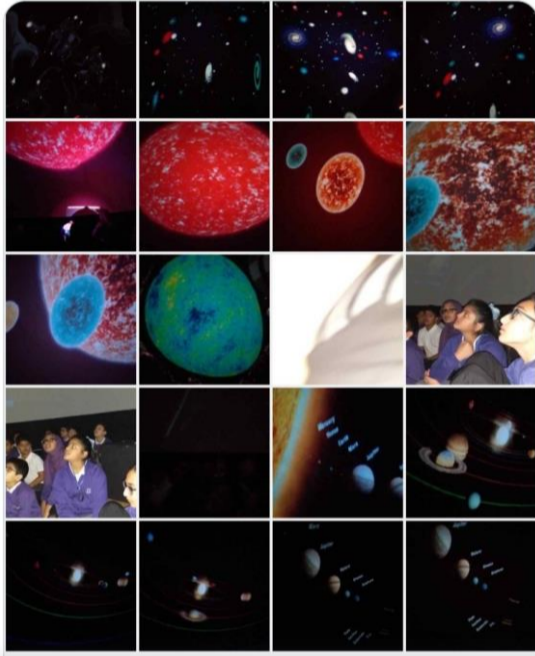
**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 18 Mar

A day of red noses, non uniform and our Take the Cake competition has ended with a fantastic sum of £689.71 raised for Comic Relief. Thank you for your generosity. #enjoyment #commitment #teamwork



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 17 Mar

Observatory Space Dome teaching the planets and universe. #enjoyment#teamwork#commitment



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Year 2 rebuilding the Great Fire of London. Lane, destroyed in the Great Fire of London #commitment #teamwork #enjoyment



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 11 Mar

Year 1 have had a fantastic day at Bradford Industrial Museum learning about traditional toys #enjoyment #commitment #teamwork



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Designing King Tut's Egyptian Death Mask (1332 - 1323 BC) using mod roc, gold textured acrylic paint and observational drawing. The masks were stiffened then joined together using hot glue guns and lots of perseverance. #enjoyment #commitment #teamwork



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 7 Mar

Thank you to Simone, our local Yorkshire Champion, for inspiring the Dixons Dazzlers to achieve their full potential by being committed and working hard. #commitment #teamwork #enjoyment



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 3 Mar

WBD 2022. Alice in Wonderland and reasons to read. #enjoyment#commitment#WorldBookDay2022



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Dixons Dazzlers making healthy fruit salad with Melanie from the Rethink Food Academy. We discussed how to eat a healthier diet and avoid food waste to help care for our planet #commitment #enjoyment #teamwork



**ixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 18 Mar

ree planting with year 5, reception and the community to reduce climate change. 70 elder, silver birch, dog rose, hawthorn, wild cherry and crab apples in the ground ready to grow #teamwork #commitment #enjoyment



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Dixons Dazzlers making the most of the sunshine writing today's positive affirmations in chalk #commitment #enjoyment #teamwork



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 15 Mar

Dixons Dazzlers had a great day at the National Media Museum Bradford learning about coding and computer programming, as well as watching a film in the IMAX cinema #enjoyment #commitment #teamwork



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**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 8 Mar

Celebrating the completion of the HENRY course with our fantastic parents. Here's to a healthier family life! Congratulations! #teamwork #enjoyment #commitment



**dixonsmb** @dixons\_mb · 7 Mar

Our local PCSO's educating Year 5's about the dangers of County Lines and criminal gangs. Thank you. #teamwork #enjoyment #commitment

