

OLOTA Press Gang



Welcome to our first publication!

Meet the team!

This is the OLOTA Press Gang team! Nine eager journalists who are ready to report on events in school, in the community and around the world! As well as bringing you articles of interest...

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Plus Delilah (Y5) and Charlotte P (Y6)

What's been happening in the world recently?




News around the world

NASA's [National Aeronautics Space Administration] mission with Space X has finally returned the stranded astronauts who were only supposed to be on the space station for 8 days but ended up with an almost 9 month stay having been there since June 2024!

News round the world

Military plans for Ukraine peace have been in discussion. Military chiefs have been meeting to "put strong and robust plans in place to organise a peace deal and guarantee Ukraine's future security", Sir Keir Starmer (British Prime Minister) said.

A photograph showing two men in dark suits shaking hands. The man on the left is slightly shorter and has a mustache. The man on the right is taller and has short, dark hair. They are standing in a grand, ornate room with patterned wallpaper, gold-colored candelabras, and flags in the background. The scene appears to be a formal diplomatic meeting.

What's been happening
in school recently?



SCHOOL NEWS

Since 2018, the 'Eat Them to Defeat them' program has been promoting vegetables in schools. This award-winning program has given nearly 5,000 schools a mission pack that contain a pack of stickers and a vegetable chart to track the vegetables you eat. At OLOTA, adults at lunchtime also support this program by giving out stickers to any pupils they see eating their vegetables. Around the hall area, there are posters to promote the healthy cause. We have also interviewed children to hear what they think about the program.

By Chinemerem.







Interviews:

What are your thoughts on the 'Eat them to defeat them' program?

I think it's a nice program because it makes people eat vegetables.

Do you think the lunchtime stickers will promote the program?

I think yes because children will eat vegetables to get stickers.

Has the program impacted how the children eat their vegetables?

It has impacted because more children like eating their vegetables e.g my brother.

Trisha, Y5



Interviews:

What are your thoughts on the 'Eat them to defeat them' program?

I think the eat them to defeat them program is a good program, because it helps children eat new foods and find ones they like.

Do you think the lunchtime stickers will promote the program?

I think it will because lots of children like stickers, and the faces on the stickers attract little children and me.

Has the program impacted how the children eat their vegetables?

Yes, because most children don't like eating vegetables, but now they're trying new foods.

Holly, Y5



Interviews:

What are your thoughts on the 'Eat them to defeat them' program?

I think it might convince more people to eat more vegetables and be fit.

Do you think the lunchtime stickers will promote the program?

It might convince people to eat vegetables, because they have a goal to get stickers.

Has the program impacted how the children eat their vegetables?

Yes, because I've seen nearly my whole class try to get a sticker, including me.

Rosaleigh, Y3

Thanks to all the children who agreed to be interviewed.



Year 6 Pyjama day By Charlotte.D and Charlotte.P

On the 14th of March 2025 Class 6 had a pyjama day. They had won a class reward which meant they could choose one thing from a list of rewards. A pyjama day is where everyone gets to wear pyjamas and slippers to school. We carried out a few interviews with support staff and pupils in year 6, who were there on the day. Here's what they said...

Seren's interview

Q1. Did you enjoy pyjama day?

Yes, because we do not dress up that often and we did not dress up for world book day. It was an amazing experience!

Q2. Did you find it interesting to see people's styles?

Yes, it was like I got to know my class better.

Q3. Were you excited for pyjama day?

YES!!!! Because it was new.

Q4. What was your favourite part of pyjama day?

I enjoyed seeing people's different outfits.

Q5. If you could change one thing about pyjama day what would it be?

Being able to come to school in pyjamas rather than changing.

Troy's Interview

Q1. Did you enjoy pyjama day?

Yes because I gotta wear pajamas to school.

Q2. Did you find it interesting to see people's different styles?

Yes because everyone's pyjamas were different

Q3. Were you excited for pyjama day?

Yes, because we did not have to wear pyjamas.

Q4. What was your favorite part of pyjama day?

Being able to wear different shoes.

Q5. If you could change one thing about pyjama day what would it be?

We could come to school in pyjamas.



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Kirsty interview

Q1. Do you think pyjama day was a good idea?

Yes, because pyjamas are comfy and it was nice to see people comfy.

Q2. Was it fun seeing everyone's different styles?

Yes because nobody worried and just enjoyed.,

Q3. If you could change one thing about pyjama day what would it be?

I would change nothing because it was nice for the children.

Q4. Did you think everyone else had fun?

It certainly did, Everyone was smiley.

Q5. If you could change the theme of the day what would you change it to?

A song title day.



Mrs Rogers Interview

Q1. Did you think having a pyjama day was a good idea? Yes, because it's a good incentive for year six to earn rewards.

Q2. Was it fun seeing everyone's different styles?

Yes, because I felt like I got to know the class better.

Q3. If you could change one thing from pyjama day what would it be?

Rename it to "loungewear" rather than pyjamas day.

Q4. Did you think everyone else had fun?

Yes, for the people who wore pyjamas.

Q5. If you had the choice of a different outfit to wear what dress-up would it be? Harry Potter

Meet the staff!

Get to know some of the people
who work at OLOTA...



Get to know you - Mrs Davenport

Summary:

This is a get to know you feature. This means that it tells you about the person that you are writing about. The person I am writing about today is Mrs Davenport. This text will tell you all about our year six teacher Mrs Davenport: she is also the deputy head of our school.

Hobbies:

Mrs Davenport has three hobbies that she does in her spare time. These are running, reading and cooking. She enjoys reading the class novel to us before break time, if we have time after maths. Mrs Davenport has sometimes joined our big lent walk and did some running. She likes cooking as well so which is good because she can do this hobby every day.

Favourite food:

Mrs Davenport's favourite food is a nice roast dinner. This meal is a very healthy meal because it has all of the food groups from carbohydrates (potatoes) to vegetables (broccoli, carrots and cauliflower) this has all the nutrients that someone would need.

Least favourite food:

Her least favorite food is sprouts. Not many people like sprouts because of the taste (some people don't like them for other reasons) and it turns out that Mrs Davenport is one of those people who doesn't like them. Sprouts can go with a roast dinner but since Mrs Davenport doesn't like them, you will never find them in her roast dinner.



Get to know you - Mrs Davenport continued!

Favorite colour:

Mrs Davenport's favorite colour is a classic. The color red. Red is a very nice colour and many things have this primary colour. Personally I also think that the colour red is a very nice colour!

Favourite animal:

Mrs Davenport has three favourite animals. First off is a dog. She specifically likes sausage dogs. Then there is a wild animal, the gorilla. The gorilla is a very interesting animal, and if you don't know what a gorilla is it is basically a very large monkey. She also likes horses and she even used to do horseback riding when she was a child.

Favourite film:

Mrs Davenport likes all of the Harry Potter films but her favorite is 'The Half Blood Prince'. If you ever seen Mrs Davenport's classroom, you would know she really is interested in the Harry Potter movies.

Favourite lessons to teach:

First of all is one of the classic lessons, maths. Some people despise maths when others love learning how to do all the different equations. She also likes to teach history. There is Ancient Greece or World War Two. She likes to teach people about all the things that happened in the past. Last of all she also likes to teach art and many people like doing art because they get to be creative instead of doing writing in a school book.

Any pets:

Mrs Davenport does not currently have any pets of her own but she used to have a small range of pets. She had two cats called Dave and Bruno (very cute names for cats) and she also used to have two guinea pigs. Their names were Ginny and Hermione after two well known Harry Potter characters. Sadly these guinea pigs eventually died but they had a good life.

By Holly Yr6

What do you think?



Elisha interviewed some of our Reception children about their favourite subject. Here is what they said...

Yoan

1. What is your favourite lesson? **Phonics.**
2. Why do you like it? **Because we learn different sounds.**
3. What are you learning about in that lesson? **We are learning how to read.**
4. Do you think others like it? **Yes.**
5. Why do you think so? **Because we learn different things and sounds.**

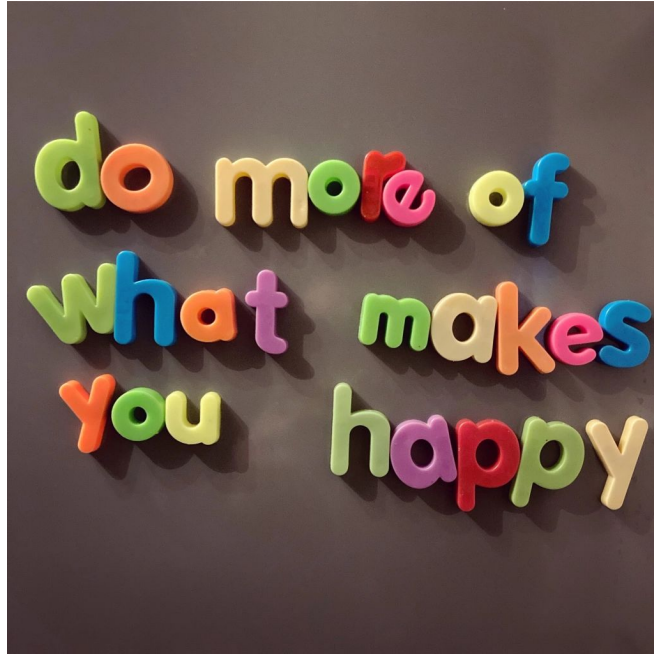
Jaxon

1. What is your favourite lesson? **Ted group.**
2. Why do you like it? **Ted teaches us different things.**
3. What are you learning in this lesson? **Different skills.**
4. Do you think others like it? **Yes.**
5. Why do you think so? **Because they think that Ted is cute.**

Kiara

1. What is your favourite lesson? **Phonics.**
2. Why do you like it? **I like it because we use our purple books for sentences.**
3. What are you learning about in this lesson? **We are learning to write six words in our purple books.**
4. Do you think others like it? **Yes.**
5. Why do you think so? **Because they like writing.**

Articles of Interest



Book Review: Lily Alone

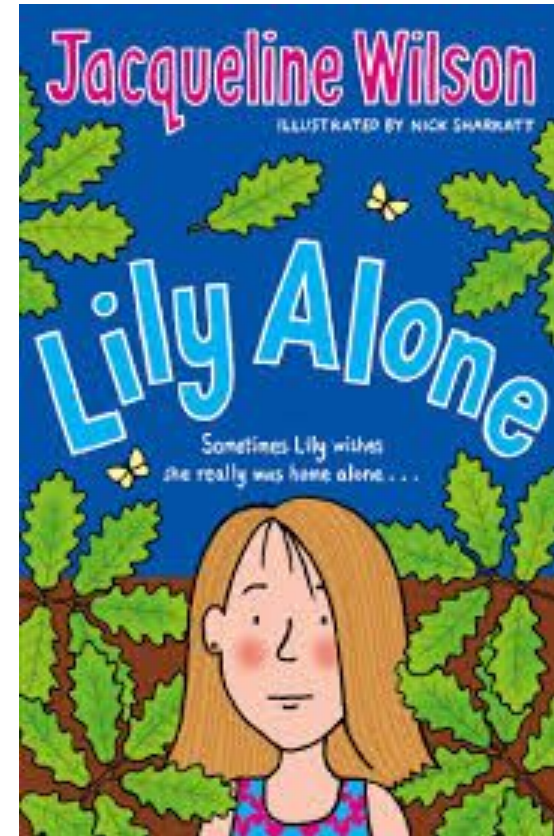
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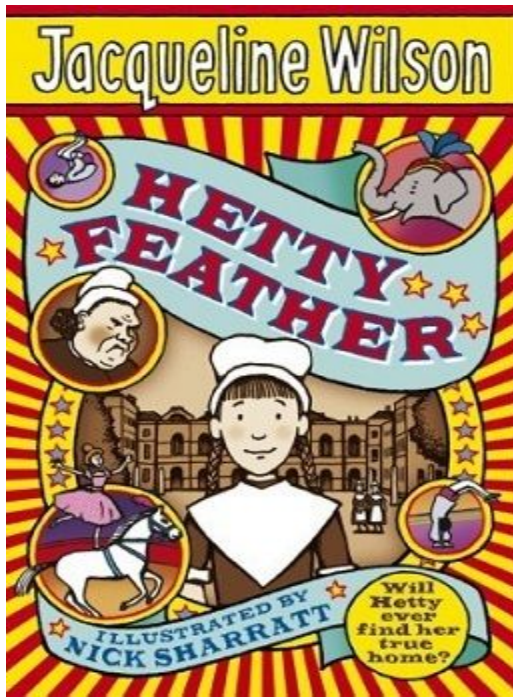
This book is a fictional biography of a character called Lily. It is written by the world-famous children's writer Jacqueline Wilson and it was illustrated by Nick Sharratt. She lives with her single mum and her little siblings: Baxter, Bliss and Pixie. Her mum has a boyfriend, whom she had met at the local pub, and they planned on going to Spain. She made the mistake of leaving Lily and her siblings home alone. They camped in a hollow tree at a park, but surviving by themselves was hard. Lily started to steal to feed herself and her siblings. Her sister fell off a tree and had to go to hospital while the rest ended up in foster care until everything was sorted out.

Review:

This masterpiece is very addicting after you read the first few pages. I really like the part when Lily's teacher - Mr Abbots - visits to check on the children. Although, I think that instead of camping out in the tree, I think they should've slept in a garden because it would've been less cramped at night. I'd suggest this book if you are interested in adventure books.

Review by Elisha and Evuprasia





HETTY FEATHER

- It's an autobiography of a fictional character
- Hetty Feather is about a girl whose mother had to give her to a founding hospital
- She was carried by a carriage with another baby and both were adopted
- At five, they both had to go back
- As she grew up she was bullied because of her fiery red hair
- She always wondered about her real mother
- She escaped and when she came back, one of the cooks confessed that she was Hetty's true mother
- Her real name was Sapphire due to her eye colour
- It's by Jacqueline Wilson

I would give it a 4 out of 5!

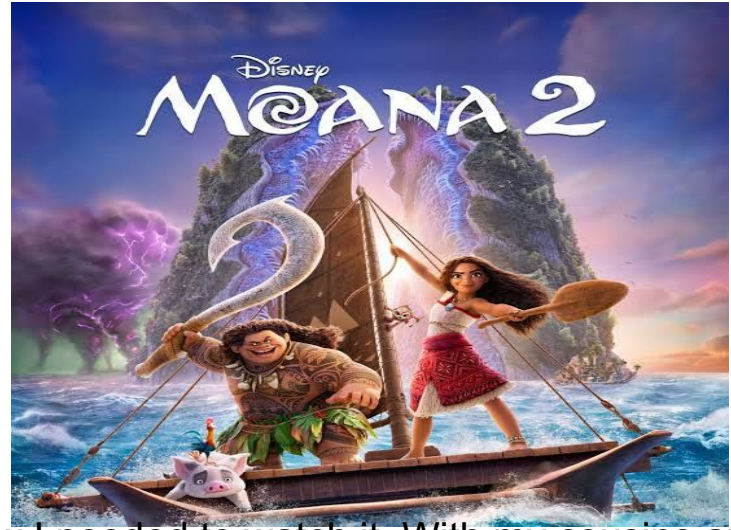
If you enjoy this book, then another recommended read is 'Sapphire Battersea'.

Review by Evuprasia

Moana 2 Film Review



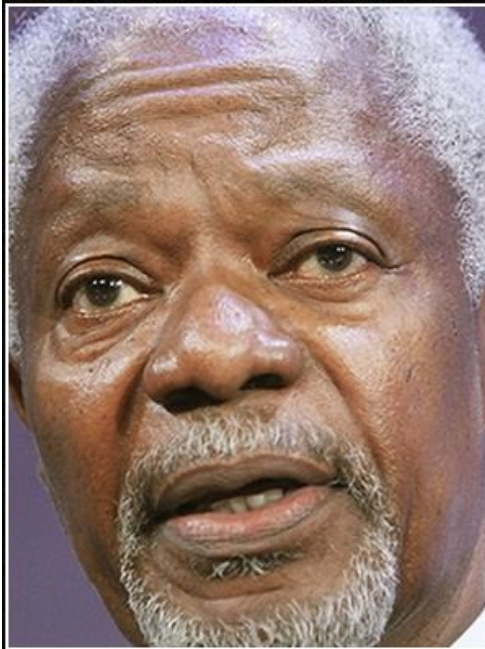
“Absolutely Amazing”



Before I watched the film, I saw the trailer and I knew I needed to watch it. With my cousins and family as company, we all watched Moana 2 and absolutely loved it. If you have seen the first movie and couldn't wait for the second movie to be released, then I advise you to grab a snack and watch it. With an IMDb review of 6.7/10, this is definitely a movie worth the watch. With most of the old characters in the movie and the odd new character added, this is just like the first movie but with a twist.

Written by Chinemerem.

The information section



Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.

— *Kofi Annan* —

AZ QUOTES

Why is sleep important?

Sleep is very important in keeping us healthy physically and mentally. It is when our minds and bodies rest and recover. It is especially important when we are young because the younger we are the weaker our immune system is. Your immune system is the bit in your body which helps to keep you healthy. If you have a good immune system it's not likely for you to get ill. The more sleep you get, the stronger your immune system is. You can do lots of things to help you sleep better, like:

- Trying to go to bed at a similar time each day
- Reading before bed
- Listening to some relaxing music before bed
- Try breathing exercises
- Avoid caffeinated and sugary drinks before bed
- It's easier to go to bed when it's really dark
- Attempt not to check your phone an hour before bed



So, you must have better sleep to have a better you.

By Elisha

THE LAST SUPPER

The last supper is an important event about Jesus' incredible sacrifice for us. To prepare us for this event, Lent helps us to sacrifice and repent as an offering to God. For Lent, we can volunteer. A volunteer is not paid, it is our choice and it is to make a difference! Some people volunteer to sacrifice their time to God.



The last supper was actually the passover meal which some people celebrate. But Jesus' passover meal was his last one before he died. While doing this Jesus said to commemorate him by doing what Jesus said in memory of him.

By Evuprasia

We hope you enjoyed our first Press Gang publication!



Watch out for the next edition, shortly after the Easter break!