

Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 1 2023



This half term in Square Tower Class

Our Big Questions

How important are scientific forces in our every day lives?

What impact can growing plants have on a community?

Our first project consisted of different STEM challenges focusing on forces and magnets. The class showed their scientific understanding through practical and crafty challenges from building bags and bridges from newspaper to creating and testing areoplanes, helicopters and parachutes. They even used spaghetti and marshmallows to build structures. The class showed great team work in this project as we got to know each other at the start of term.

We continued our learning by focusing on plants and growing. We looked at books called 'The Tin Forest' and 'Invisible' and learnt how caring for nature can improve wellbeing and help others. We planted cress and beans ourselves, we learnt about the structure of a plant when dissecting a plant and we learnt about seed dispersal in a PE session. The project also focused on our personal growth. We talked about our hopes and dreams for the future and skills and qualities we wanted to develop.

I like being able to use the quiet rooms whenever I need.

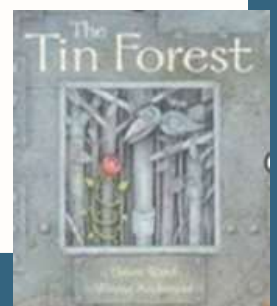
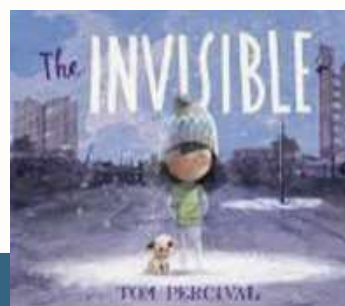
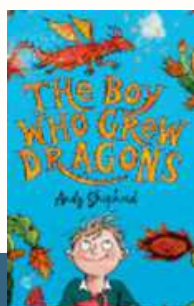
I like exploring the places around our school.

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Family Support Resources

If your child would like to continue this project at home, they could keep an eye on the progress of their cress head and cup of beans. They could also share their knowledge of plants with people at home by creating something from recycled items. There are lots of books linked to plants which might be of interest too.



Square Tower staff

We have really enjoyed getting to know the pupils in Square Tower and our knowledge of flags, Japan, dinsoaurs and tanks is improving!!

Emma



Vicky



Caroline



I like spending time with the older children.

