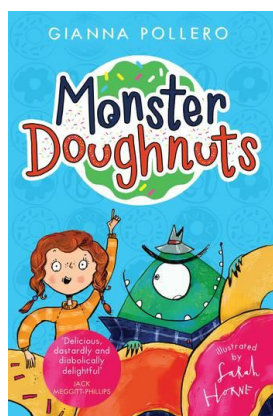


### Visit from Author Gianna Pollero

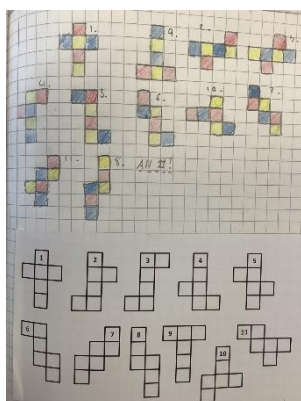
On Friday 26th November KS2 children were visited by a local author, Gianna Pollero. Gianna spent time explaining to the children how she created her book "Monster Doughnuts" and developed the characters in it. The children had lots of questions to ask her and then she signed some copies of her book. Thank you to Gianna for visiting us! Hopefully we have inspired some future authors or illustrators with this visit. Gianna's new book is out in the New Year so do look out for it!



### Oaks Class

This week in Oaks, we have been studying the nets of 3D shapes and have started by looking at cubes. Firstly, we used polydron to investigate the possible nets of a cube. We worked together in randomly selected pairs to encourage our collaborative skills. Mr Howse told us that there were 11 unique nets so we had to be careful to not repeat by using rotations or inversions. Here is Isabelle's evidence of the nets she

found – she then checked off what she had found against the possible nets below. Well done!



The following lesson, we were challenged to work as a class to create the 11 unique nets from scratch using card and masking tape. We had to elect two leaders (we chose Archie and Nathan) who then guided us through the task. We had to use a lot of collaboration to succeed, but as you can see, we managed to do it together!



### Movie Nights

A huge thank you to the PTA for hosting two movie nights, one for children in KS1 and one for children in KS2. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching The Grinch and eating their popcorn and crisps!



## Firework Art by Art Club



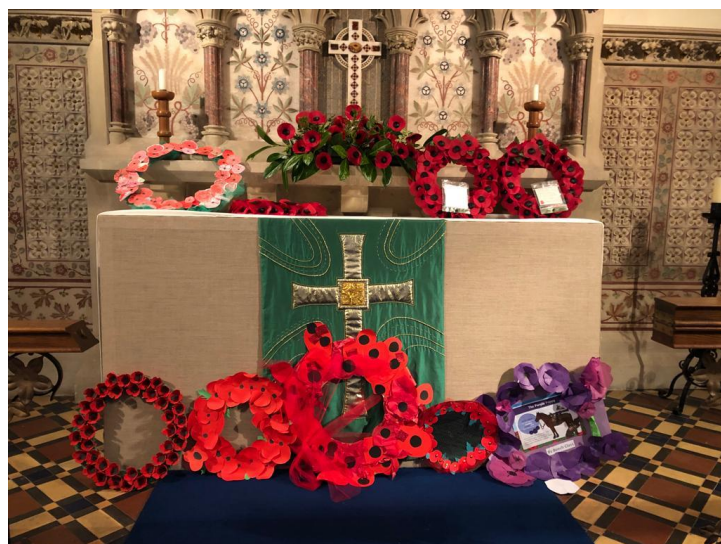
KS2 Art Club have had great fun creating their paper for these amazing pictures. First, they had to completely cover art paper with bright oil pastels in any patterns they chose. Next, they painted over the patterns with a mixture of black acrylic paint and washing up liquid. The following week, they used the end of paintbrushes to remove some of the black paint to create their unique and colourful firework designs.

## Saplings Class

One cold, frosty Monday morning, Saplings class put on their coats, gloves and hats and ventured out into the winter air....we enjoyed looking for signs of Winter, with the crunchy frost, bright blue sky and slippery pavements! We arrived at the door of the Church and quietly ventured inside. It was the first time we had all been to see the Church. There were lots of "wows" from the children as they looked up to see the high wooden ceiling. We looked around the Church, learning the names for different parts of the building. We also saw the Advent wreath with the five candles and found out that the one white candle is lit for baby Jesus at Christmas. On our way back to school, we met the three donkeys who were braying loudly when they saw us coming! They reminded us of the donkey that Mary rode on her way to Bethlehem.

## Remembrance Sunday

Below is a picture of some of the wreaths at the Church on Remembrance Sunday.



## Ide Hill Awards

<b>Saplings</b>	<p><b>Alice</b> – we are very proud of how you are listening and following instructions in PE. Well done Alice!</p> <p><b>Zac</b> – you are always keen and motivated to learn. We love your enthusiasm. Keep it up!</p>
<b>Elms</b>	<p><b>Finley M</b> - for making a real effort with the presentation of your work this week.</p> <p><b>Finley B</b> – for trying very hard with his handwriting.</p> <p><b>Sidney</b> - for showing real independence in maths. You really can do it!</p>
<b>Beech</b>	<p><b>Treyon</b> – for fabulous focus when working out number bonds to 100 using tens and ones.</p> <p><b>Jackson</b> – for independently working out bonds to 100 with tens and ones.</p>
<b>Willows</b>	<p><b>Ferin</b> – for her amazing ideas in PSHE about dares and how we should deal with them.</p> <p><b>Lana</b> – for her excellent understanding of what you have to be and do to follow God. She created a lovely wanted poster.</p>



<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Sophia</b> – for her fantastic effort across the curriculum and for her kindness and generosity to all her friends. <b>Harrison</b> – for his amazing work ethic, always trying his best in everything he does.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Max</b> – for his super geography research on UK fossils. <b>Grace D</b> – for her thoughtful ideas about a Frida Kahlo self-portrait.
<b>Oaks</b>	<b>Zoe</b> - for her incredible fireworks writing, earning her class a star. <b>Stephan</b> - for his excellent problem-solving when investigating angles.



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<b>Upcoming Dates</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tree Festival in the Church
9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity Play performance to parents in the Church at 2pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Children's Christmas Lunch – please wear a Christmas jumper
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term