

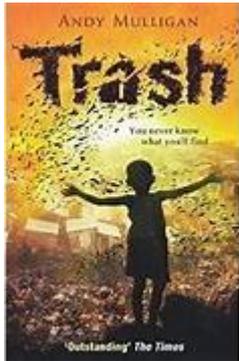
## Class Page

Welcome to the Summer Term, Year 5/6!

The year is flying by so quickly, and for the Y6's in our class, this will be their final ever term at Alverton! We hope to make the Summer Term as exciting as possible.

### Learning Highlights from Spring 22:

During the Spring Term our core books were 'Trash' and 'The Man Who Walked Between the Towers'



While reading 'Trash', we learnt all about the life of a dumpsite boy who lived in the favelas.

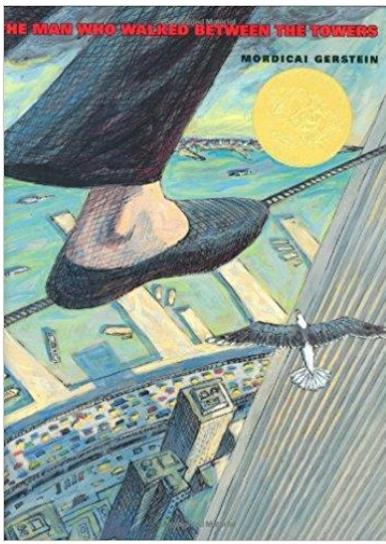
We learnt geographical skills, using atlases to locate South America and the countries and capitals of South America. We also compared life in the Brazilian Favelas with life in Northallerton.

In DT, we designed and made our own cardboard houses, complete with lights!



We produced these lovely, colourful pictures based on the art of Domingos Cardosa da Silva:



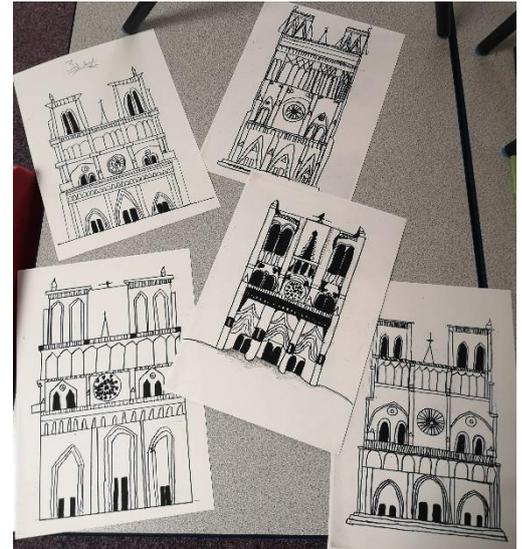


Our topic last half term was 'Forces' and was led by the book 'The Man Who Walked Between the Towers' by Mordicai Gerstein. We enjoyed the book and it's beautiful illustrations!

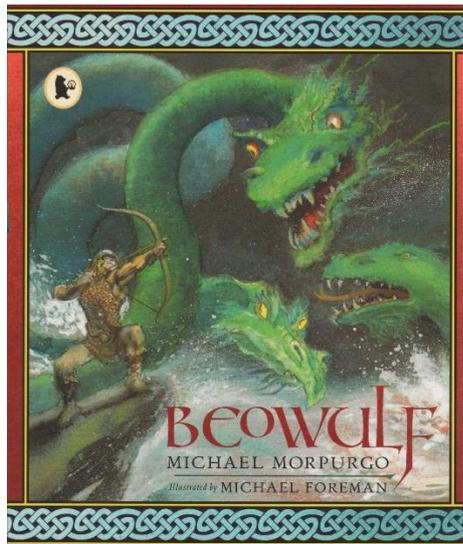
We explored different forces and the concepts of balance and counter balance, as Phillippe Petit himself would have experienced all of those forces as he walked his tightrope between the towers.

We tested air resistance by creating parachutes and designed and made balancing toys.

As the book was set in the city of New York, we used atlases to find out about the countries of North America and we found out more about the Twin Towers. As it was another location of Phillippe's amazing walks, we produced line drawings of Notre Dame Cathedral, in Paris.



## New Learning Highlights Summer 22



To start the Summer term, we will be using 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo, another exciting and beautifully illustrated book. We will be learning about the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings, and how their legacy has affected life in Britain today.

In Science, we will be exploring plants and germination. We hope to grow lots of plants in the classroom whilst exploring the conditions that support plant growth and finding out more about the functions of the different parts of plants and flowers.

In Maths, we will continue to use White Rose resources to support our learning. Key focus areas will include calculating with decimals, area and perimeter, shape and statistics.

## **Key Class Reminders**

- This year is 'Alverton's Year of Reading for Pleasure'. We ask that children read for at least 5 minutes each day. Please could they record their reading in their Reading Record/Planner.  
It would be great if an adult could sign this at least once a week.
- Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. However, this may change due to visiting coaches or other activities happening in school – we will make sure that children are aware of any changes.
- All children are expected to carry out weekly homework. This may include spellings, topic activities or online activities, such as Mathletics, Rock Stars and Purple Mash. The online links can be found below. Please contact me if you require any login details and passwords.
- [www.readingeggs.co.uk](http://www.readingeggs.co.uk)
- <https://login.mathletics.com>
- <https://play.trockstars.com/auth/school/student/15840>
- [www.purplemash.com/alverton](http://www.purplemash.com/alverton)
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