

The March Issue was written by Peace, Remayah, Blake, Jasper, Max, Alfred, Ella, Muna, Aimee, Amaya and the Key Stage One Writing Club!

The Finlay Flyer...

Our Office staff are Sadie, Helen, Kay, Tori and Alison. We see them everyday, but how much do we know about them?

What do you like about Finlay Community School?

Sadie: How polite, caring and kind everyone is.

Helen: The way my children were taught here (and they are all grown up now) and how it is such a friendly place.

Kay: The community feel and friendly staff and students.

Tori: How friendly everyone is.

Alison: The staff are friendly and the children are very warm. It feels a very inclusive place to be.

What is your funniest joke?

Helen: What do you call a man with a seagull on his head? Cliff!

Tori: What is brown and sticky? A stick!

Where was your best holiday?

Sadie: Benidorm with my family. **Helen:** Kenya.

Kay: Antigua in the Caribbean for my honeymoon.

Alison: New York! **Tori:** Croatia... No wait, Italy!

Interviewed by Peace and Remayah



Our March issue will showcase all of our journalists' hobbies. These include a range of sports, travel near and far, learning about animals and sharing ideas about how to have more fun online and during playtime. As usual, we also have included our interview and a selection of Easter themed activities and games!



Finlay Community School

ASPIRE

BELONG

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HOBBIES WITH KEY

STAGE ONE WRITING CLUB

On this page we spoke to the KS1 Writing Club and they shared with us some of their favourite hobbies. What are your hobbies?

Dawson's favourite hobbies are playing football and cooking and enjoying food!



Adaline enjoys puzzles, drawing and climbing!



Amanda's hobbies are swimming, watching films and art!



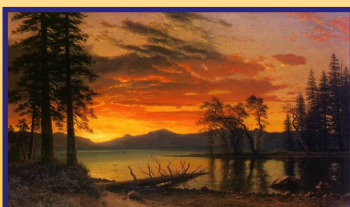
Lila loves shopping (especially in Bristol) and painting!



Jagger's favourite hobbies are playing with his dog, playing computer games and drawing.



Lacey-Mai enjoys walking outside, playing computer games and drawing people.



Christopher loves exciting adventure playgrounds and completing complicated wordsearches!



BOXING WITH JASPER

HOW TO GET STARTED?

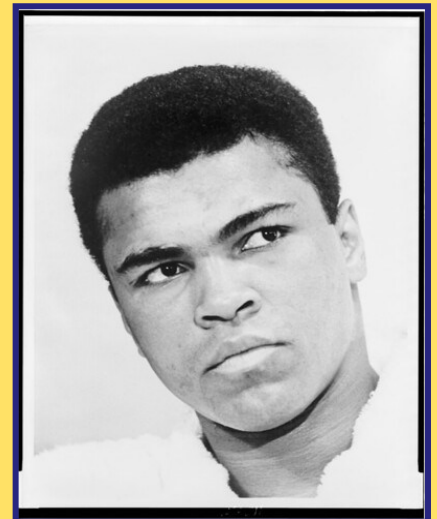
In boxing, your stance, if you are right handed, is your left foot forward and right foot back . But if you are left handed, you need to put your right foot forward and left foot back.

In boxing, your leading hand is your weaker hand, so make sure you have the correct starting position.

EXERCISE:

Here is an exercise routine you can follow at home without any equipment!

10 push ups, 10 sit ups, 1:30 plank, 10 lunges, 3 minute wall sit, 10 snake press ups, 10 crunches , 10 burpees with a push up .



Muhammad Ali

Muhammad Ali is a really famous boxer!

Mr Ali grew up in Kentucky.

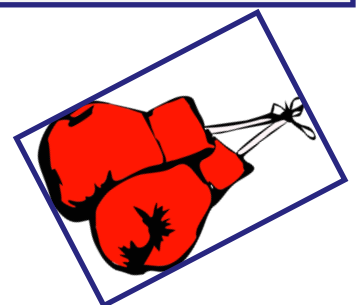
He had a saying called sting like a bee, float like a butterfly because it's Muhammad Ali.

When WW2 started, he refused to fight so he was stripped from his title and banned from boxing for 3 years. WOW!



EQUIPMENT:

You do not need any equipment to begin practising, but if you get into it, you can get some boxing gloves, a gum shield, head guard, a skipping rope and hand wraps.



NFL WITH BLAKE

What does NFL stand for?

National Football League (it is a very popular sport in America!)

What is the size of the pitch?

The pitch is 120 yards (about 110 metres) in length and 53.3 yards (about 48 metres) in width.

How long is the game?

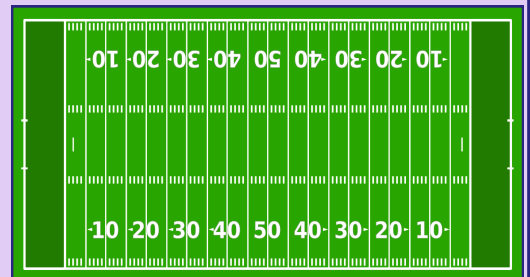
It is 60 minutes long and split into 15 minutes quarters.

What is the youngest age you can play professionally?

There is no official age but you must have finished secondary school three years ago to be able to play professionally.

What does the pitch look like?

It looks a bit like this!



Where can I learn to play?

There are sessions at Oxstalls in Gloucester! Go and join in the fun!

Louis Rees-Zammit

Rugby player who became an NFL player.



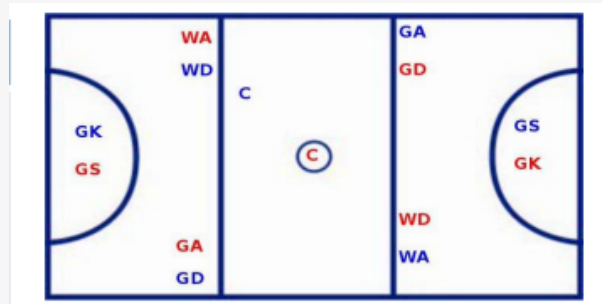
Louis was an inspiring rugby player, who recently quit the sport to play in the NFL. He is currently trying out for the NFL. THIS STORY SHOWS THAT YOU CAN FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS EVEN IF IT'S HARD.

“It was the hardest decision of my life [to leave rugby], but it was always something I wanted to do, since a young age, and I thought it was the right time. If it works out, I have 10 years to try to play the sport I have loved growing up watching or I can come back to rugby and play the sport I love playing,” said Rees-Zammit.

NETBALL WITH AMAYA

Netball rules:

- Players cannot move with the ball.
- The leading foot can pivot but the other foot must stay planted until the ball is released.
- The main passes in netball are bounce, overhead, shoulder and chest pass.



How many players are there in a netball team?

A netball team consists of 7 players, all different positions. Only 7 players from the team can be on the court at one time. Within our rules and regulations, teams can play with 6 or 5 players if short but any less the team would need to forfeit their game.

What are the seven netball positions?



Goal Keeper	Allowed in the defensive goal third and shooting circle
Goal Defence	Allowed in the defensive and centre thirds, and the shooting circle
Wing Defence	Allowed in the defensive and centre thirds, but not the shooting circle
Centre	Allowed in all thirds, but not in either shooting circle
Wing Attack	Allowed in the attacking and centre thirds, but not the shooting circle
Goal Attack	Allowed in the attacking and centre thirds, and the shooting circle
Goal Shooter	Allowed in the attacking goal third and shooting circle



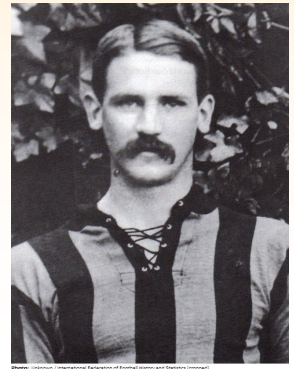
The England national women's netball team are known as The Vitality Roses.



FOOTBALLER KENNETH HUNT WITH BLAKE

(MY GREAT, GREAT, GREAT UNCLE)

- Nickname: ‘the muscular parson.’
- Scored in the 1908 FA cup final against Newcastle to win 3-1 and won the FA cup.
- Won the Olympic gold medal with Great Britain. Also, an England cap holder.
- Full name: Kenneth Reginald Gunnery Hunt
- Birth and death: 24th February 1884 –28th April 1949 [65]
- Kenneth wasn't paid to play football, he did it for fun!



This is my great, great, great uncle so hope you enjoyed reading about him and that he inspired you.

OPAL PLAY WITH MUNA

Opal Play provides a lot of games like **scootering, bikes, playing with pavement chalk** and more! Did you know that with opal play, children spend 1.4 years at play when they are at primary school?

OPAL is an award-winning programme that helps schools ensure that every child has at least one hour's fun outdoor play every school day.

There are a few games that are quite popular at Finlay, which are: **freeze tag, climbing stack tag, bench tag and the floor is lava**. If you speak to one of the school councillors, they can add an extra activity to Opal Play.

I would definitely love to add new games to Finlay Opal Play! What would you suggest?

With ACPBD; **A-Attitudes, C-Creative Spaces, P-Play Patterns, B-Behaviour and D-Development**, you can have an awesome playtime with your friends and family! We are very lucky as a school to have Opal Play because some schools don't even have the chance to play!



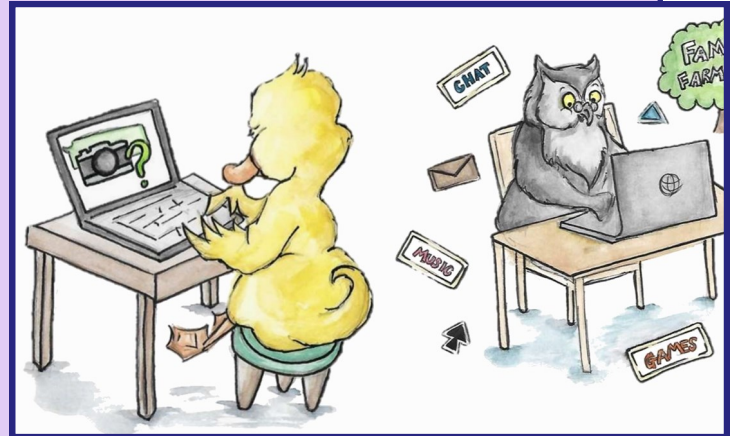
ONLINE SAFETY

WITH PEACE



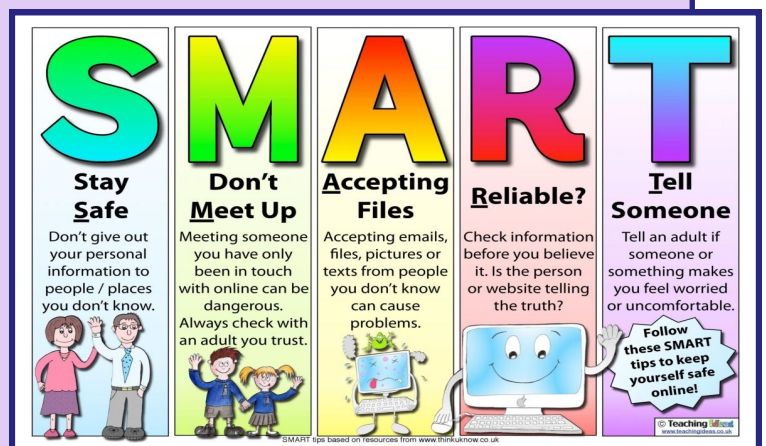
5 ways to stay safe online and get support if things go wrong.

1. Talk to someone you trust if something is worrying you.
2. Report bullying .
3. Never share personal information.
4. Think carefully about what you post or download.
5. Be a good digital role model to others.



Ways to enjoy your time online!

1. Screen– Make sure to have a savvy time-limit on your screens.
2. Navigate the negative - block anything which is not making you happy.
3. Seeing isn't believing - remember that not everything is true online.
4. Take the lead - Make sure you're acting for your own wellbeing.
5. Get chatting - Have regular chats with your family about what you do online.



BAKING COOKIES

WITH REMAYAH

Ingredients

1. 150g salted butter, softened
2. 80g light brown Muscovado sugar
3. 80g granulated sugar
4. 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
5. 1 large egg
6. 225g plain flour
7. 1/2 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
8. 1/4 teaspoon salt
9. 200g plain chocolate chips



Method

1. Heat oven to 190 degrees / fan 170 degrees and line 2 baking sheets with non-stick baking paper.
2. Put 150g softened salted butter, 80g light brown Muscovado sugar and 80g granulated sugar into a bowl and beat until it's creamy.
3. Beat in 2 teaspoons of vanilla extract and 1 large egg.
4. Sift 225g plain flour, 1/2 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda and 1/4 teaspoon of salt into the bowl and mix it with a wooden spoon.
5. Add 200g plain chocolate chips or chunks and stir well.
6. Use a teaspoon to put small scoops of the mixture onto the baking tray.
7. Bake for 12 minutes.
8. Leave to cool and then decorate!

INTERESTING ANIMALS WITH AIMEE

KAKAPO

Kakapos are usually found in New Zealand.
They are sometimes known as the Owl Parrot.
They are large, nocturnal, ground-dwelling parrots and their main diet is plants.



DUGONGS

Dugongs are marine mammals, which are sometimes known as Sea Cows!
Dugongs are closely related to elephants.
They are vegetarian and like to eat seagrass.
They can stay underwater for up to six minutes without breathing!
They live in warm coastal waters near East Africa and Australia.
Dugongs spend much of their time either alone or in a pair.



AXOLOTL



Axolotls are a type of salamander. Amazingly, they use both gills and lungs to breathe!

Remarkably, Axolotls are only found in one location on Earth (near Mexico City in North America).

Weirdly, they have no teeth and use a strong sucking force to devour their prey!

ANTARCTICA'S WEIRD AND CUTE ANIMALS WITH ELLA

Antarctica - the world of new discoveries and funky animals.

All animals have adapted to their habitats meaning even adorable seals were not always as cute and chunky as before.

How many animals can you think of that live in Antarctica?



On land, they are quite ungainly but in the water they are very graceful and are excellent swimmers. Seals are well adapted to cold, polar environments with thick blubber layers that act both as a food reserve and insulation. Most seals also have a layer of fur, giving additional insulation on land.

ANTARCTICA WITH ELLA

- Antarctica is, on average, the coldest, driest, and windiest of the continents, and it has the highest average elevation.
- It is mainly a polar desert, with annual precipitation of over 200mm along the coast and far less inland.
- About 70% of the world's freshwater reserves are frozen in Antarctica, which, if melted, would raise global sea levels by almost 60 metres (200 ft).
- Antarctica holds the record for the lowest measured temperature on Earth, -89.2°C . The coastal regions can reach temperatures over 10°C in the summer.
- Native animals include mites, nematodes, penguins, seals and tardigrades.
- Where vegetation occurs, it is mostly in the form of lichen or moss.



WATERWAYS MUSEUM

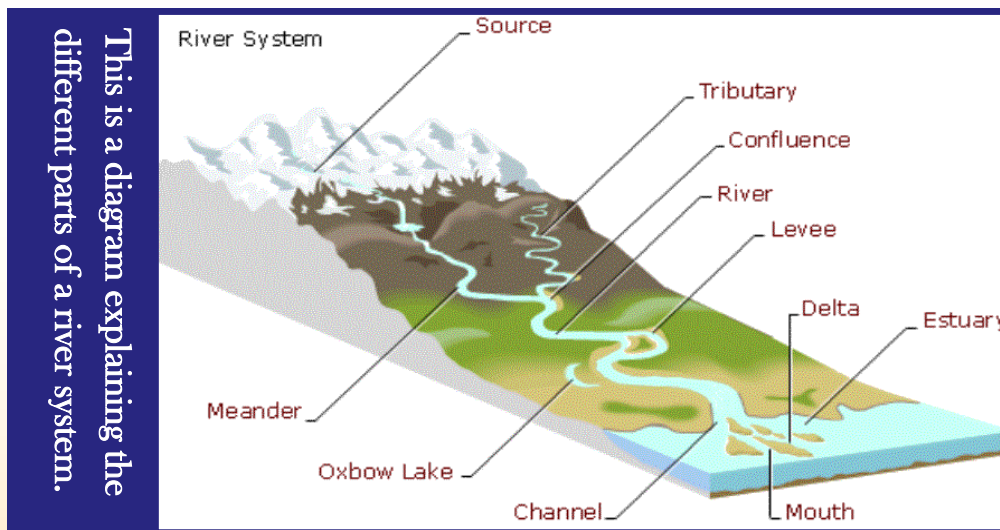
WITH MUNA

Me and the rest of the Year 4's went to The Waterways Museum in Gloucester Quays to learn more about the River Severn and the Gloucester and Sharpness Canal.

First, we learned about the history of rivers. Did you know the River Severn is the longest river in Britain? It flows for 220 miles from The Cambrian Mountains in Wales to the Bristol Channel.

An adze (old cutting tool) was used to shape timber (wood) to make the boats that travelled along the canal, which is still used today. The boats were used to transport goods such as coal, grain, salt and chocolate. The goods were then stored in the warehouses at Gloucester Docks.

We learnt about the materials used for diving suits in the olden days and we had a go at lifting sacks by pulling ropes - we tested the different types of ropes. We learnt that horses used to pull the barge boats along the canal before motors were invented.



We went in
Llanthony
Warehouse at
Gloucester Docks.

We went in a boat
used during World
War 2.

We sat at the
level of the
water.

Some facts about our
trip!

Around the World With Alfred : Peru!

The name of Peru is likely derived from 'Biru' (the name of a local ruler who lived in the Bay of San Miguel). Peru is located in the west coast of South America, bordering Ecuador, Colombia, Chile, Bolivia and the vast, diverse country of Brazil. After being conquered by the Spanish in the 1500s, around three centuries later, it gained independence. With a history as colossal as its biodiversity, Peru is a tropical Garden of Eden, with secrets waiting to be explored...



MACHU PICCHU

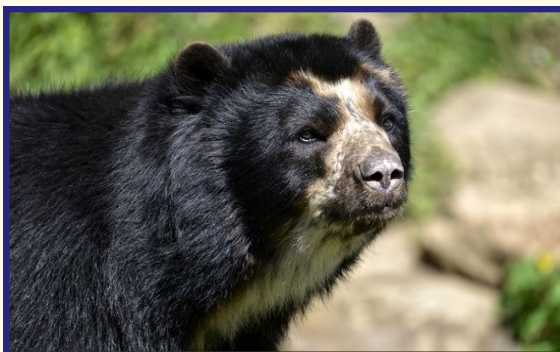
Machu Picchu, located in southern Peru, is a towering place of wonder, formerly a Incan citadel. It is often referred as 'The Lost City Of The Incas' and in 1983, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Fourteen years after being recognised as such, it was voted one of the new Seven Wonders Of The World and is the most

famous of the Incan remains.

In the Quechua language, Machu means old or old person, whilst Picchu is roughly translated to pyramid, pointed or cone. Theoretically, Machu Picchu translates to old pyramid, possibly meaning the Incas didn't originally build it...

BIODIVERSITY

With around 25,000 unique species of plants, 523 mammals, 1,487 birds, 624 amphibians and 2145 species of fish, Peru is a 'megadiverse' country with wildlife teeming in every nook and cranny. From the Andean Condor to the Vicuna, Peru has large amounts of animals, anywhere and everywhere.



A particularly intriguing animal in Peru is the Spectacled Bear, which gets its name from the rings surrounding its eyes. It is a relatively small species of bear and its numbers are dwindling. It is also the only species of bear in South America.

The national bird of Peru is the Andean Cock Of the Rock. This animal is found in tropical/subtropical climates near rocky areas, where it constructs its nests. They have a distinct plumage and are known for their vivid red colouring.



LONDON LANDMARKS

WITH MAX

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Can you find all of these places?

LONDON EYE

BIGBEN

TOWER BRIDGE

TRAFALGAR
SQUARE

GHARKIN

SHARD

RIVER THAMES

PADDINGTON

HAMLEYS

PARLIAMENT

ZOO

Some London Facts!

London Zoo was the first zoo in the world and Winnie-The-Pooh lived in London Zoo for twenty years- and was female!

London red buses weren't red until 1907.

Norway gives a Christmas tree to Trafalgar Square every year.

Queen Victoria was the first monarch to live in Buckingham Palace.

Half the London Underground is not underground!

Easter

Word Search



- Word list:
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| BASKET | CELEBRATION | DYE | HIDE |
| BOUQUET | CHICKS | EGGS | HOP |
| BUNNY | CHOCOLATE | FIND | PEEP |
| CARROTS | COTTONTAIL | FLOWERS | RABBIT |

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WORD SCRAMBLE

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