

# Team Thomas

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last half term we asked, 'How could we improve our urban environment?' We learnt about our local area, Bulwell, and extended this learning to Nottingham and the importance of the River Trent. We explored light and how shadows are created when light is blocked by objects. Our writing involved writing a leaflet about Bulwell, a Newspaper article describing the brutal battle between King Richard and Prince John and a narrative story about Robin Hood.

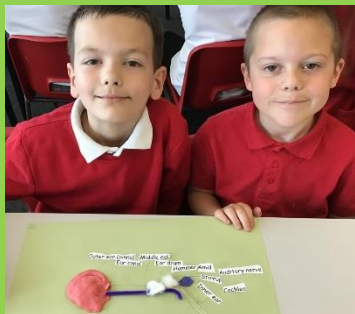
We also enjoyed learning about the history of Braille and how to read and write our own names in Braille. Thank you for teaching us, Mrs Hopkinson and Kathleen!



This half term, our topic is 'Who were the greatest builders?' We will be learning about the Egyptians, Romans and Mayans and studying their epic buildings from many years ago. After that, Team Thomas will be getting creative by designing their own mosaics, canopic jars and Roman catapults. The children will learn about Julius Caesar, writing a biography about him, as well as writing an emotive diary entry as a Roman soldier.

Please encourage your child to access their Spelling Shed account to practise their weekly spellings at home. Children can also access their Times Tables Rockstars account at home to improve their fluency and accuracy. It is important that children begin growing in confidence in their times tables, ready for Year 4. Children can also earn gems for their reading teams through Go Read, and a tasty Malteser!

If you need any support with logging in at home or require your child's details, please get in touch so we can pass them onto you.



We will have P.E on Wednesdays and Thursdays in school (sensible shoes are required).

Thank you for your support and please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions.

**Mrs McConnell and Ms Pembleton**

