



## Pupil's voices.....What do you think of school?



Mr Tucker, the new headteacher at Stogursey School has been finding out what the children really think of life at school. Each child was asked to come up with one word that describes the school. The bigger the word, the more children said it.

Kind, Fun, Happy, Exciting, Beautiful and Good came out on top . . . and the 'boring' gives teachers something to work on!

## Oh! I do like to be beside the seaside



Despite some terribly heavy rain, the whole school enjoyed a trip to Minehead as they have been learning about the Victorians and the seaside. Starting with a coach ride to the station to take the West Somerset railway steam train to Minehead, they had a rainy walk around the harbour before playing on the beach and then took welcome shelter from the rain at the Minehead Eye.

Year 3 children Riley F, Cody, Saul, Cara, Chloe, Winter-Rose, Willow and Riley C share their thoughts about the day.

The train was fun, amazing, exciting and phenomenal. It was like the Hogwarts Express! On the train the other passengers were old men and women, but we were the only school children. We were a little bit frightened and scared because the train moved so fast and tilted, it made Winter-Rose feel dizzy. Sometimes we thought we were going to come off the track but when we got used to it, it was fun.

"I love trains" said Saul. "The trains use coal as fuel, which burns to heat water which turns into steam. The steam creates pressure that drives the pistons, which makes the train move." We all wondered what the gold rings at the bottom of the train were for.

When we arrived at Minehead, it was pouring down, we were drenched! We went on a wet walk. We were squelching, soggy and wet. We walked from the Minehead Eye to the harbour and some of us went into the lifeguard station. It was a long way and we were exhausted. Even though it was raining we still felt hot. We followed the shells which led to the boats. We saw some boats that were on the sand because the tide was out, and we learned a bit about how a harbour works. No dogs are allowed on the beach in summer.

We went to a museum and we did quizzes and we saw Punch and Judy puppets. Everything in the museum was interesting, but the best thing was the model railway in a big glass box with a little hotel when you pressed a button the lights came on. It was really pretty with little people and seats and tables.



At the Minehead Eye we went to the skatepark, we played dodgeball, parachutes or catch, skipping, and we could watch movies.

When it stopped raining for a little while we went on the beach. We drew on the sand, we wrote our names and made patterns with our feet and we made a "share the love" logo. Riley and Cara made patterns of a house, with a basement and a toilet but didn't have a bathroom! We got told off for burying each other. We were drawing pictures in the sand and then we made them disappear with our hands. We made up stories about the things that we made from sand, coming to life.

We ran and jumped into the soft sand but you had to be careful not to land on your bottom or your knees which was painful. We pretended the seaweed was treasure. The seaweed was prickly, slimy and soft with bubbles in it that popped loudly and surprised us.