



## The Tow Law Community

### 'Let's Create' Platinum Jubilee Project 2022





## The aims of the Platinum Jubilee 'Let's Create' project

Building Self-Belief CIO supported Tow Law Millennium Primary School, County Durham, and the wider Community in a range of creative and cultural activities to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022.

The following anthology was created by the children of Tow Law Millennium Primary School across the 2022 summer term. The children developed their creative writing, art, graphic design, drama, communication and historical research skills in bringing this anthology together.

They researched the reign of Queen Elizabeth II across 70 years, leading to the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in June 2022.

The project enabled young and old to come together in common celebration of Queen Elizabeth's 70-year reign. All of the children's creative work was displayed and performed by them at the Tow Law Community Centre during the weekend of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

The project was delivered by Building self-Belief CIO, alongside a range of community partners and was funded by the County Durham Community Foundation and Arts Council England (ACE) through 'Let's Create' National Lottery support.

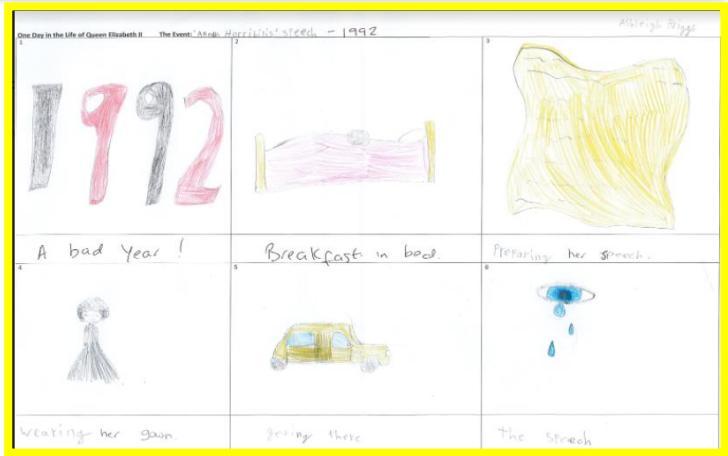
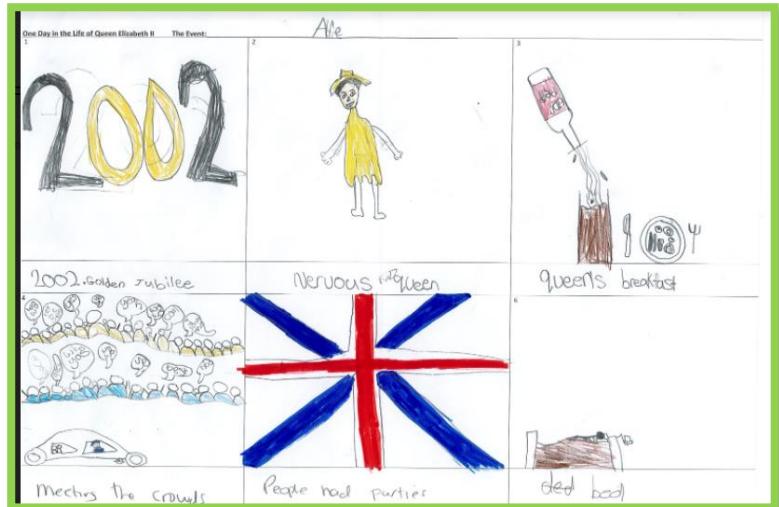
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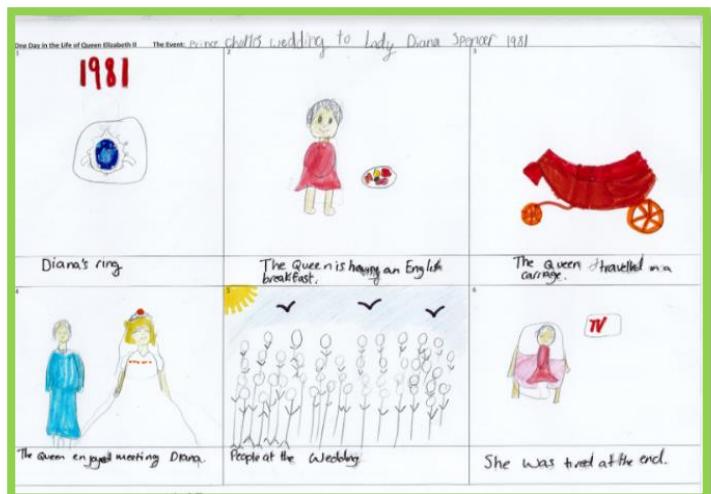
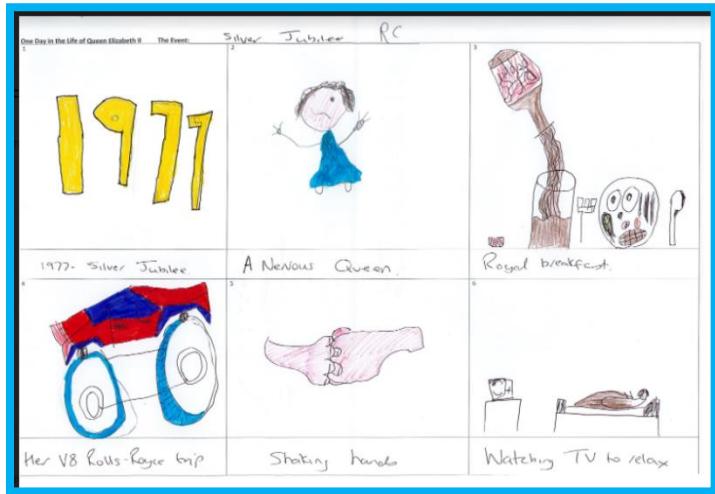
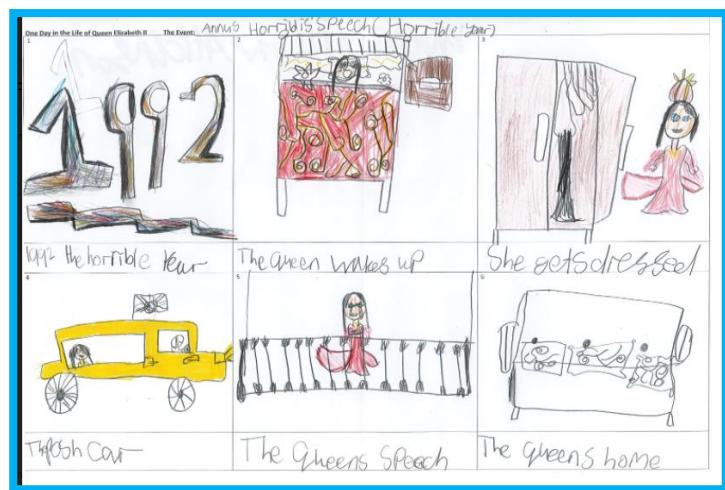
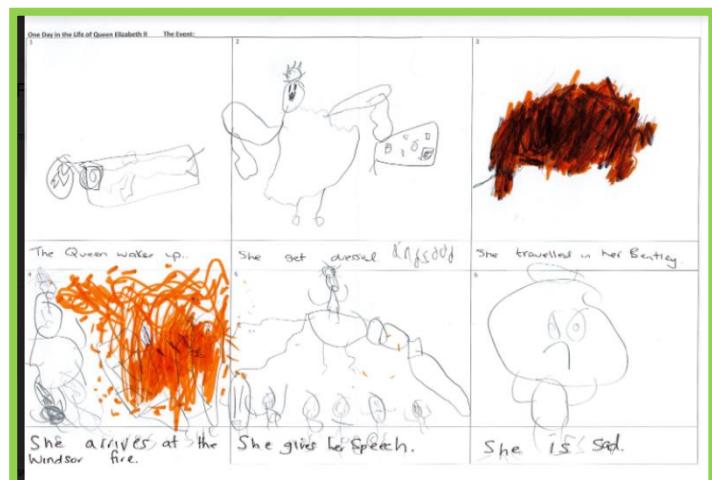
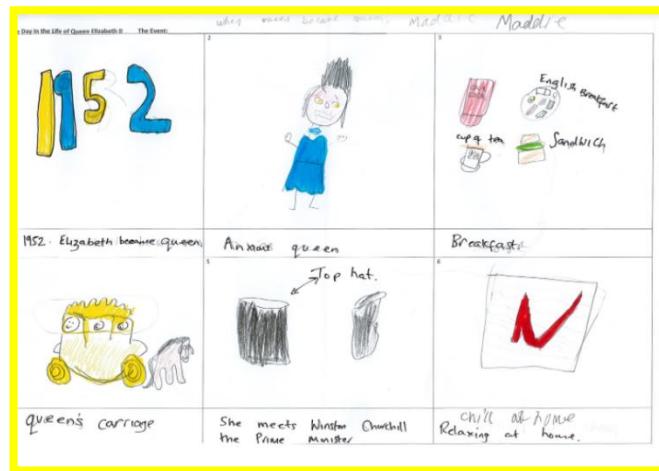


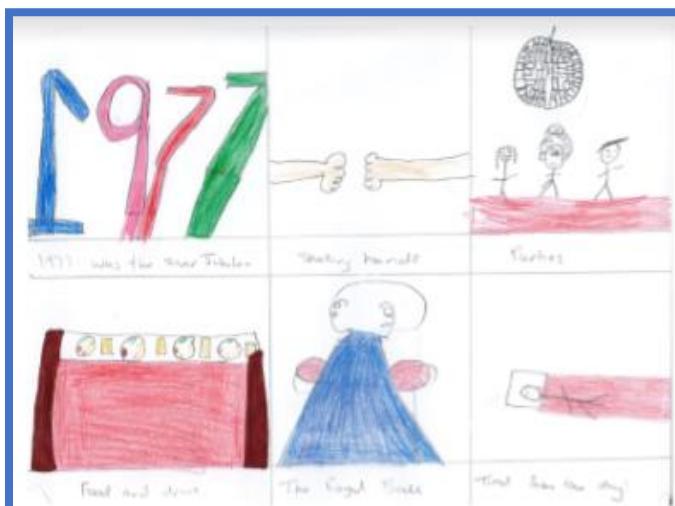
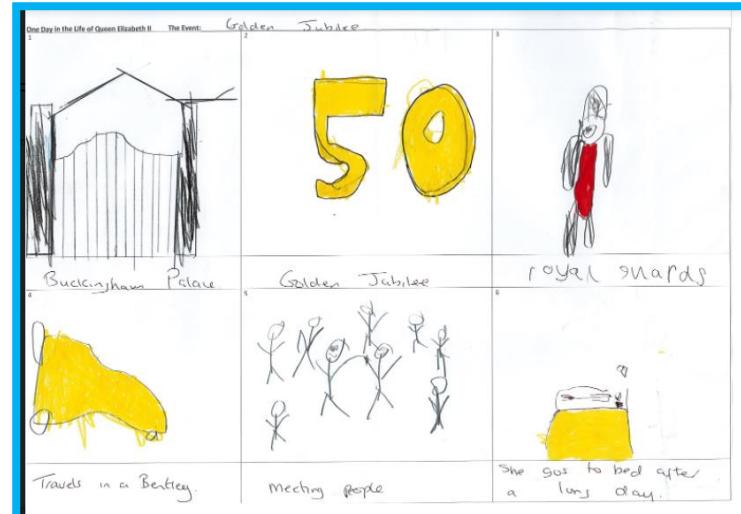
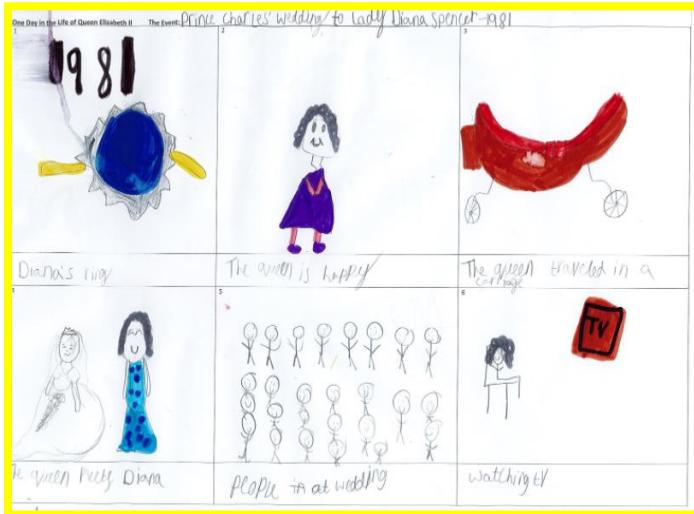


## The Platinum Jubilee Timeline

The children researched the 70-year reign of Queen Elizabeth II and created a giant timeline and storyboard of the key events of her reign. They also learnt about what life was like for children their age in 1953 the year of Queen Elizabeth's Coronation.









One Day in the Life of Queen Elizabeth II. The Event: **Golden Jubilee**

1	2	3
The Queen is sad because her plane crashed!	She flew back to England	She met the Prime Minister
4	5	6
She went to Buckingham Palace	She puts on her new crown!	She has tea before bed!
7	8	9

One Day in the Life of Queen Elizabeth II. The Event: **Golden Jubilee**

1	2	3
The Queen is happy and excited. Dressed ready for the Jubilee. The Queen in her carriage.	The Queen is happy.	The Queen is happy.
4	5	6
The Crowd cheering	The Queen happy	Windsor Castle

One Day in the Life of Queen Elizabeth II. The Event: **North Jones' Life.**

1	2	3
1953	1956	1956
the day the queen became queen	The Coronation - 1953	The Royal Tour
1977	1980	1992
Silver Jubilee - 1977	Prince Charles wedding	The Queen's Diamond Jubilee

One Day in the Life of Queen Elizabeth II. The Event: **John Jubilee**

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Queen making up feelings. Ready for the day. Her dress is carrying her.	ready for the day. Her dress is carrying her.	ready for the day. Her dress is carrying her.
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7	8	9
at home	at home	at home

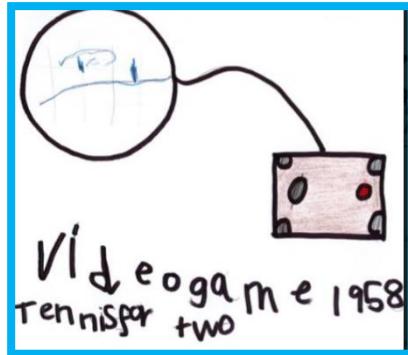
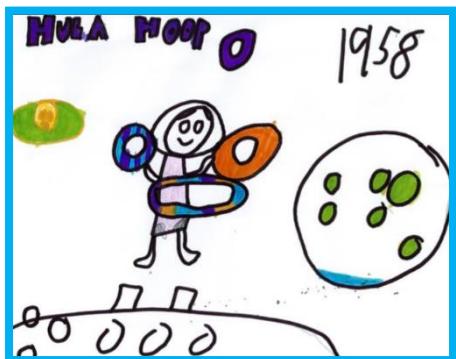
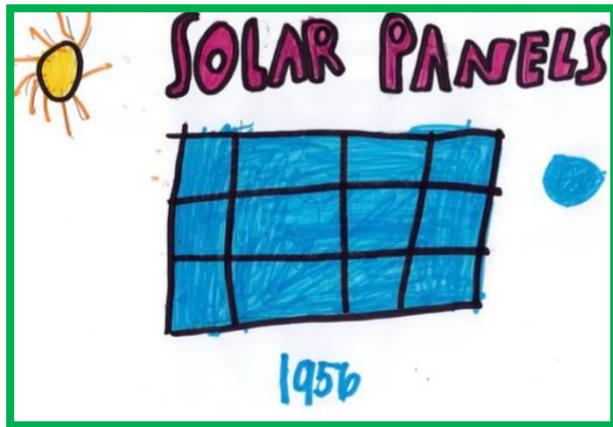
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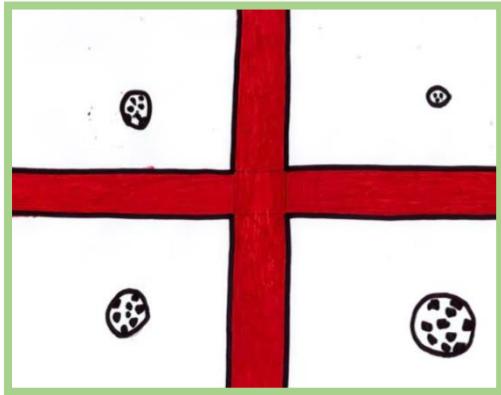
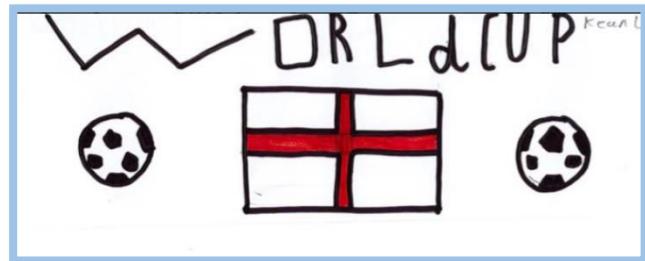
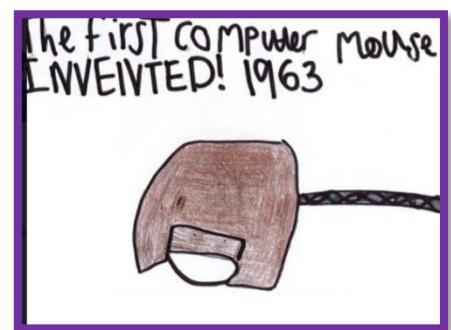
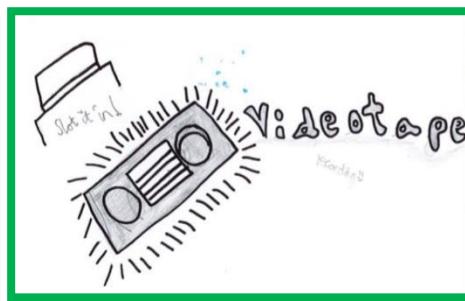
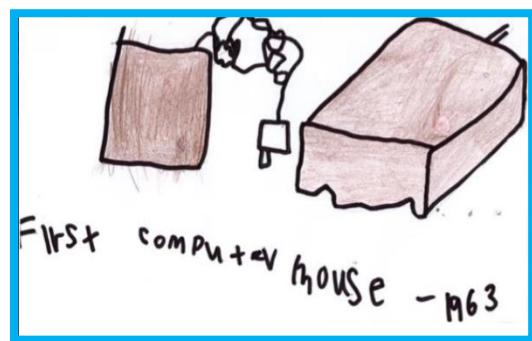
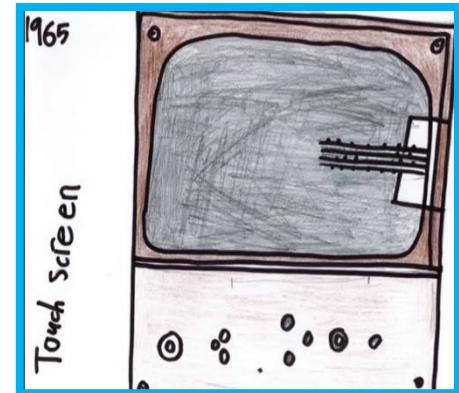
1	2	3
Yay!	People Walking in the street	Her carriage
4	5	6
Walking up.	Buckingham Palace	Her carriage
7	8	9
The Golden Jubilee	Meeting people	Happier a time for us!

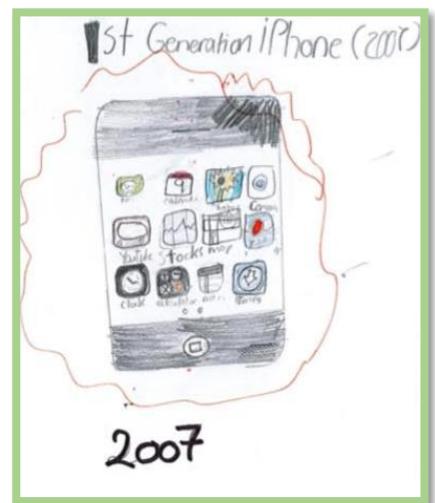
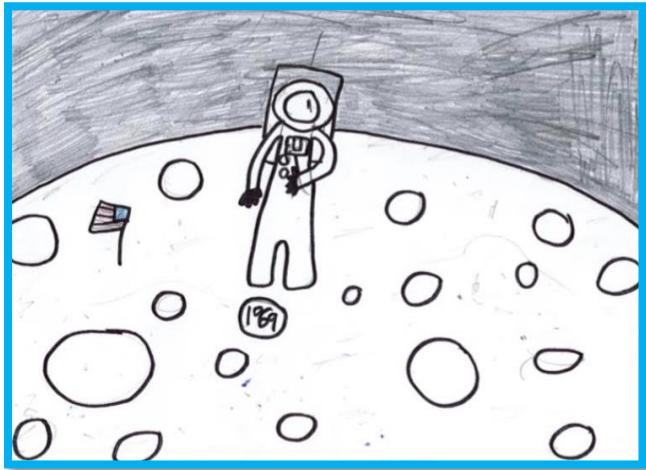


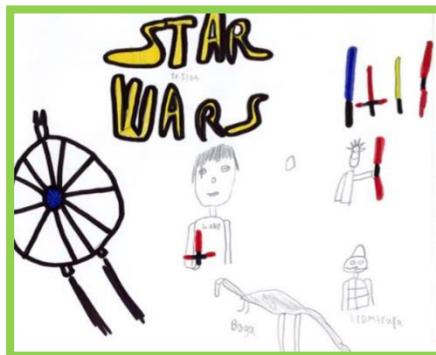
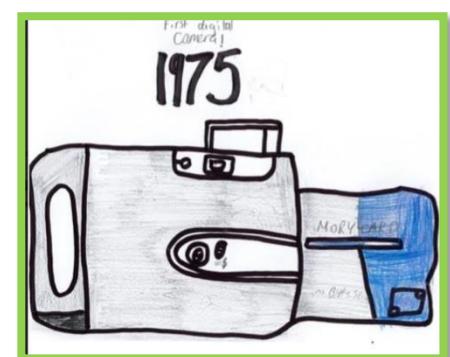
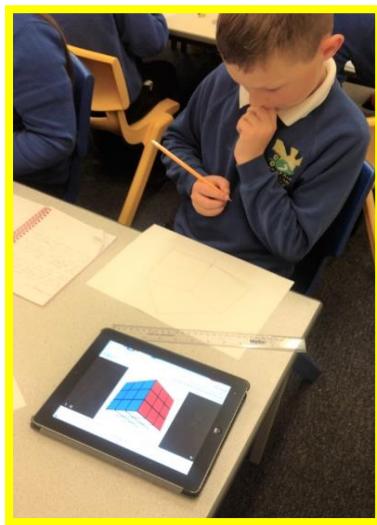
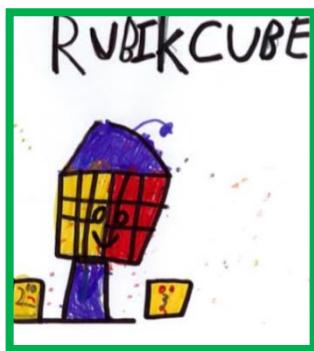
## How life has changed since 1952

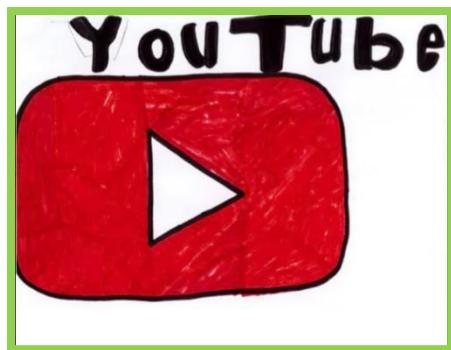
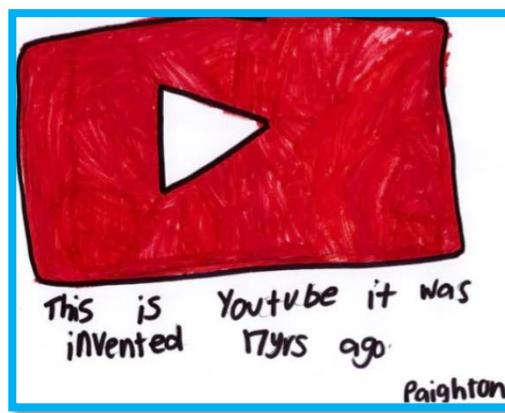
The children researched the famous inventions and that have changed the way that the British people lived since the start of Queen Elizabeth II's reign in 1952.













## Creative Writing

The children used their biographical and historical research to write a story about 'A day in the life of Queen Elizabeth II'.

They studied key events in Queen Elizabeth's reign such as becoming Queen in 1952, the Coronation of June 1953, the Queen's first tour in 1953, the Silver Jubilee of 1977, Prince Charles' Wedding to Lady Diana Spencer in 1981, 1992 and the 'Annus Horribilis' Speech ([Horrible Year!](#)) and the Golden Jubilee of 2002.

### The Queen's busy day!

The Queen got up and decided to have pancakes for breakfast.

Then she put on a soft dress so that she was ready for the day ahead.

She would meet lots of people and shake their hands. Then it was time to get into her car to go home.

By MJ

### The Silver Jubilee – 1977

It was a big day for the Queen because it was 1977 and her Silver Jubilee. Elizabeth had been Queen for 25 years, but she was so nervous today.

First, she has her royal breakfast.

After that, she got in to her V8 Rolls-Royce.

When she got to the street party, she wafted her hands to everyone and everybody.

Hundreds of pictures were taken, and she was smiling for each one!

By Ranalph



[A V8 Rolls-Royce and a smiling Queen.](#)





## The 'Annus Horribilis' – 1992

Firstly, the queen wakes up in her golden silk sheeted blankets which on her silver queen sized bed. Then she rings her bell for the maid 'ring-ring-ring'. Then the house cleaner came upstairs, while Elizabeth trots down the white marbled floor trot, trot, trot, she went as she walked downstairs. She felt sad that day because of all the tragic events of the year, and she felt nervous in case anything went wrong. For breakfast, she ordered the butler to get her some pancakes, bacon, egg, waffles, tomatoes, beans, sausages and Boba tea. After she had her royal breakfast, she went upstairs again trot, trot, trot. As soon as she got upstairs, she commanded her stylist to get her a pink pearl silk dress with her white gloves and her best baby blue hat, then finally her pearl necklace with silver high heels. Then, she got her make-up artist to put some mascara on her and some red blush with pink lip gloss. Then she got her beautician to do her nails up with baby blue and rose gold French tips.

Before Elizabeth had to leave Buckingham palace for St Paul's Cathedral, she knew she would feel happy to see all of her supporters and she felt excited to get all of her worries off of her mind. However, she felt frustrated because she was trying to clean her crown for the party, which was a difficult job! After she cleaned her crown, she got the butler to make cherry tarts, crackers, chamomile tea and chocolate filled cookies for the tea party at the end of the day. Finally, the horse and carriage arrived, the horses were both white with a royal blue head cover, and the carriage was gold on the outside with real platinum and diamonds and on the inside with the most beautiful ruby red seats. She felt so overwhelmed because she had never saw anything so beautiful!

Five minutes before she got to the cathedral, Elizabeth had probably waved a thousand times, she felt worried because there would be tons of people there and also happy because she would see her supporters and family. When she walked into the room the walls were so white that they blinded her eyes, the carpet was a coral colour, the windows were that big that she needed no lights to see, the chairs were all made out a velvet material which was navy blue. On every single couch there was baby blue silk blankets with lilac silk cushions. It felt like there were about ten million people staring at her!

She met the prime minister and many of other people who she didn't know. Here is the truth though she doesn't always like being queen because she can't always do what she wants to do!

Then she went home and fell asleep.

**By Lily**



## **1992 Annus Horribilis – ‘The Horrible Year’**

Queen Elizabeth woke up in her big relaxing bed, she had waffles for her breakfast and orange juice. After she had a bath with bubbles, but she was very upset after a difficult year, but she thought that she would feel better after she had given her speech. She got ready in a wonderful causal dress and shiny white shoes. She got in her black and gold carriage, with royal blue on the inside. On the way she practiced her speech.

To the public she said...

***“I am so grateful for all of you for your support and kindness”***  
***I wish you could help and get my Windsor Castle back and running again after a terrible fire. This year will now be called the ‘Annus Horribilis’.***

She was still sad that Princess Diana and Prince Charles had broken up and they had 2 kids, which was upsetting.

After her speech, she had some sad tears which had never happened before, but everyone was clapping and felt sorry for her. When she got back in to her carriage she started crying some more.

When she got home to the palace, the fire was already lit, the TV was playing, and her robe and slippers were on the couch. Then she went to bathroom and got changed ready to relax after a long day.

**By Hollie**





## The Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebration

The queen woke up to a bright morning and heard lots of people gathering outside of her palace. She walked downstairs, to the smell of a fried breakfast, eggs, sausages, fried bread, bacon, and a desert with pancakes with whipped cream, strawberries, and blueberries on the top! When she finished, she got ready in a blue dress, with a diamond blue necklace and earrings.

Elizabeth looked outside from her balcony at Buckingham Palace and waved to the people below - they all waved and cheered!! Then she went downstairs and opened the doors outside where there was a large golden carriage waiting. She got onboard and started her journey to the Golden Jubilee party.



She rode through a crowd of many people, as she arrived, she got out and walked to the party, where they were waving flags. As she walked inside, she sat down, and the room fell silent.

Then Elizabeth had little friendly chats with the people and after that it was time to go. The queen walked to her carriage and as she got in, she sat down and began to relax. The ride started, and when she stopped and started to step down the butler opened the door for her.

Then she went upstairs to her room where the maid took of her dress and put it in the cupboard, then the queen got in bed and went to bed.

**By Keanu**

## The Golden Jubilee - 2002

The queen woke up and has her breakfast, she has eggs, bacon and sausage with other stuff "mmm this is nice," said the queen. Her butler took her plate in to the kitchen and did the washing up and then the Queen went out in her royal car and said 'Hello' to the crowd and saw everyone waiting there.

**By Alfie**



## The Queen's Golden Jubilee

The Queen woke up early one sunny morning. She was feeling very happy and excited about going to her tea party!

For breakfast the Queen had toast and milk. Then after breakfast the Queen got dressed into her beautiful big golden dress, that was covered in lace with red buttons. Queen Elizabeth also wore her sparkly crown covered in diamonds. Elizabeth then put her earrings in, and popped her white gloves on along with a beautiful diamond bracelet.

Elizabeth's carriage arrived to take her to the celebrations, it was a gigantic golden carriage, with two brown and white horses waiting for Elizabeth outside of Buckingham Palace to take her to the party.

Crowds gathered to see Queen Elizabeth in her golden carriage. Reporters took photos of Elizabeth in the beautiful golden carriage. Elizabeth felt happy to be Queen.

At the end of the celebrations Elizabeth returned home to Buckingham Palace, she felt sad that the celebrations were over but happy to be back home in the comfort of her big fluffy bed.

**By Declan**

## The Silver Jubilee – 1977

One day queen Elizabeth woke up and thought about the day ahead. She was both happy for the day ahead and scared. She walked outside Buckingham Palace and there was a crowd of people waving and cheering. Then she hopped in her limousine for the day.

The limousine was headed to the street parties all over Britain. She was very excited because she liked to meet people. The car stopped slowly and one of the guards opened the door. The queen was so excited for this moment in time as she knew people had made a lot of effort with their parties. Once the parties were over, she returned to the palace and went to sleep for a rest!



**By Myah**



## **Elizabeth becomes Queen -1952**

Elizabeth became queen when her father King George VI died, on February 6, 1952, she was just 25 when her father died. She began to feel nervous because she was going to have to talk with millions of people and was also a bit sad because she can only become queen when her dad passed away.

When she woke up, she put on her red velvet slippers on and her silky dark dress. She thought about the golden, shiny crown, with shiny rubies on it that she would have to wear one day.

She flew back from Africa to England, where she had gone on a tour, on a plane. She was worried because she thought of all the people waiting there for her. She thought about all the personalities and new friends she would meet which made her happy.

When she arrived home, she was sad about her dad because he had to die for her to become queen, but she was happy she was the new queen now!

That night, after a long journey, she put her pyjamas on, took her slippers off, got into bed and called her guards to get her a hot chocolate with marshmallows before she goes to sleep.

**By Kanye**

## **When Elizabeth became Queen - 1952**

Elizabeth was sad because her father King George had died but also excited because she became Queen on that day. She woke up and could smell some waffles with syrup. She said to her butler 'please bring me some of them waffles please, thank you'. She ate them up yum-yum.

When that was done, she put on her favourite dress which is purple with little diamonds on, with a purple hat with blue on it. When she went outside, she was anxious and so nervous that her face turned bright red, but she had so many people to meet.

After a long day shaking hands and being the Queen, when she got home, she got in to her PJ's and watched 'Hollyoaks' and 'Coronation Street', then she got in to a bubble bath and had a cup of tea and some biscuits, with her Corgi dogs which cuddled her all night.

**By Maddie**



## The Golden Jubilee

One morning, the Queen woke up and got ready for the day. It was the day of her Golden Jubilee and she was feeling very happy. She was wearing her favourite penguin dress and her dinosaur purse. She looked out the window and saw that her carriage had arrived. It was a huge silver and ice coloured carriage that looked like crystals. There were beautiful horses pulling the carriage.

She remembered a time when she arrived in America to see the Golden Gate Bridge, with the crowd were cheering and shouting “Queen”. She thought it seemed like the crowd cheering when Newcastle won a football game against Sunderland, because Newcastle is her favourite team! When she left America, she flew through a hail storm but she arrived home safely at Windsor Castle. That evening she went on Tik Tok to relax after her journey.

**By Isaac**

## The Queen at Prince Charles' Wedding to Lady Diana Spencer, 1981

The Queen woke up and was very excited to go to the wedding! She has her full English breakfast but left some room for the wedding cake and the banquet.

She got dressed in a baby blue gown with a pearl necklace, white gloves, a badge with a flower on and a baby blue hat with two bobbles on.

She travelled to the wedding in a carriage that is brown on the outside and red on the inside. When she arrived, she saw lots of people there. She sat down and waited for the wedding service while she talked to her friends and family. When it starts, everyone stays quiet, the Archbishop does the service and everyone stars crying happy tears, especially when Prince Charles kisses Diana, because it is truly a magical moment.

When they go for a dance, the Queen meets Diana and they have a friendly chat, also, they have some food. Already, the wedding is over! Everyone goes home and the Queen goes for a rest, it has been such an exciting day!

**By Darcy**



## A day in the life of the Queen

In the morning the Queen normally went downstairs to have her morning coffee and her breakfast. But on this day in 1952, she was travelling home on a plane to be informed about her father King George VI's death. After being on her holiday she heads home as quickly as possible. When she lands, she is greeted by lots of men wearing top hats and black suits. She was incredibly sad that her father had died, but she was, pleased that she was becoming Queen it was worrying, yet very exciting.

She had to make sure that she was fully prepared for her coronation with a speech, and to make sure that she is looking as perfect as ever. It was important as she was going to be standing in front of loads of people. She put on her make up and was ready for anything. She was excited to meet some important people. Sometimes she wished she was still on holiday with her husband Prince Phillip though. It was an extremely exciting day for the Queen and also the people, who shouted all around, everyone was excited.

### The world tour

The Queen made a world tour across the earth. She went around the world in a planes, cars and even a horse and carriage. On the way, every now and again, she would wave out the window. It was a very nice journey across the world with lots of people got to see the Queen and she got to see some really cool things.

### The Silver Jubilee

The day had come! It was the 1977 Silver Jubilee. It was great. The Queen was equally happy and a bit nervous though. She even began her day by putting on her ball gown!

### **By Noah**

## The Royal Wedding

Queen Elizabeth got up and got dressed. Then she got in to her Bentley she did not have time for breakfast she as was in a hurry to get to the wedding. She arrived on time wearing a sliver dress. And she was happy for Charles and Diana.

### **By Jayden**



### The 'Annus Horribilis' - 1992

Firstly, the Queen woke up in her golden silk sheets. Then she put on her beautiful big blue dress and her blue heels. Stomp, Stomp, Stomp. She felt quite nervous because she had to go into town today and she knew people would want to see her. She walked down the stairs, trot, trot, trot. She had her egg, bacon and bubble tea for her royal breakfast. She put on her pearl necklace and commanded her stylist to do her makeup since she was going out into town.

She felt a bit worried because she didn't know what people would say because 1992 had been a bad year, an 'Annus Horribilis'. Nervous, nervous, nervous. What will people say? She final arrived for her speech feeling sad, sad, sad!

The Queen gave her speech and talked about her 'Annus Horribilis', which is Latin for 'horrible year.' Everyone listening was sad, super-duper sad!

Afterwards, she hopped in her carriage and drove off. She went home and she sat in her throne with a cup of tea and thought about her bad year and how other people might have had a good year. When the queen finished her cup of tea, she then had her supper for which was bacon, waffles, egg, sausages and another cup of tea. She got on her pyjamas and crawled into her bed, and she fell fast asleep.

**By Paighton**

### The Queen becomes Queen - 1952

Princess Elizabeth became queen when her father, King George VI died, on February 6, 1952. She was just 25 when her father died and she was in Kenya, in Africa, with her husband Prince Phillip, when she heard the news.

She had to return to England straight away on a jet plane she had no time to waste. She put on a dark dress and hat and had a simple English breakfast. Then went out in her carriage as she had to get to her coronation in time!

**By Tianna**



## The Golden Jubilee

The Queen woke up with a smile on her face, she could smell the freshly cooked pancakes! "Butler one can smell one's favourite please fetch me those immaculate pancakes! "Said the Queen."

Right away your majesty." Said the Butler.

After the Queen had her pancakes, she put on her best piece of clothing for her special day. The house cleaners followed behind her holding her ball gown dress while she walked down the stairs, she was excited but also nervous because it was her Jubilee.

Her feelings were indescribable and strange, but she couldn't help feeling that way. She went outside the giant gate of Buckingham Palace; people took so many photos that her eyes were starting to hurt from the unnatural light. She stepped up in to the carriage and waved through the window, she liked being Queen sometimes.

She looked at the horses, their manes were amazing, they it looked silky and soft just like her ball gown.

When she got there, she met millions of people they were all waving and screaming. She shook dirty hands, clean hands and hands with extremely long nails! She shook all type of hands, she must have waved to a million people that day. She looked around and saw several things she saw soldiers, a person with a Queen shirt and many young children. They were all happy just like her. Sometimes she felt like the luckiest girl in the world when people were smiling and cheering for her.

Elizabeth went back in to her carriage; she was tired her eyes looked like they were restless and cold. She looked at the same horses again they also looked tired. The Queen rested her back on cushiony seat. The journey took a while, but she made it after a while and she slowly walked back to the palace as people took photographs.

As she walked back up the stairs, she asked the maids to take her dress off. She also took her shoes off and laid in her bed. She was tired but she still decided she was going to watch her favourite show, Coronation Street. After a while she turned it off and went to sleep, after a very, very busy day.

**By Ella**



## **The Queen's first Tour – 1953**

It is another day in Bucking Palace as the Queen gets ready for the day ahead. But wait, what is this? it is an invitation to see the world, but I have only just become Queen!

"I need to get ready quickly," said Queen Elizabeth as she got dressed in to her soft, pink dress. The invites came from around the world, they said "Dear Queen Elizabeth, please come and visit us. We want to meet you. We have loads of presents for you. Good luck.'

Before she set off, she had breakfast, which was pink macaroons. Then she got on a big, purple plane to see the world. First the Queen went to see the Cocos Islands which were beautiful. The people waved at her to say 'Hi', 'What lovely place this is,' said the Queen, amazed at the sandy beaches. Queen Elizabeth II stayed there for 5 hours and ate a dinner of pizza and cake!

But, time began to fly and the Queen leave to see more places. It was time for bed, 'good night.'

**By Jasmine**

## **1992 – The Horrible Year!**

It was a big day for Queen Elizabeth II because she had to give a big speech to lots of people about her year, which had not been a good one! The day began with her having breakfast and after that she started to write her speech. She put on her dress and looked down from her balcony to see so many reporters and photographers taking photos and videos of her.

She travelled in her Rolls-Royce and went to Westminster Abbey and had a royal walkabout to meet people.

Then she said her speech to the people who were taking videos of every word and every move she made. She thought to herself, "I love being Queen, but sometimes it is hard! Every day, I am so busy – it would be nice to have a break every now and then!"

When her speech was finished all of the people who were there clapped and cheered, and she shook some hands and went back home to rest.

**By Ashleigh**



## **Queen Elizabeth II becomes Queen - 1952**

One morning Princess Elizabeth found out that her dad, King George VI had died. She was very sad and worried because it was significant because she would become the new Queen. She was in Kenya, in Africa, on holiday with her husband Prince Phillip, when she heard the news.

She had a cup of coffee and tea cakes before she went to the airplane to return home. When she arrived, she met important people from across the world, and normal people, she met babies, toddlers, children, teenagers, pre-adults, adults and the elderly.

At her Coronation Queen Elizabeth welcomed everybody to watch her put the crown on, with everyone thinking she's a significant person. It was very exciting!

All the soldiers bowed to her to give her a good welcome. She sat on the throne and waited there for about 5 minutes and then the crown was ordered to say 'God save the Queen!' There were 10,000 people applauding her and that was the beginning of her reign and that's how our story ends.

## **Prince Charles' wedding to Lady Diana Spencer - 1981**

The Queen woke up and she is nervous and excited about Charles and Diana's wedding. She was feeling very happy and had just had her full English breakfast to prepare for the day ahead, but she had to leave leaves some room for the wedding cake and Banquet later!

Queen Elizabeth went to the wedding in a baby blue ball gown with two pearl necklaces, a flower badge, some white gloves and a baby blue hat with two bobbles on the side to match her dress. Then she travelled in a golden carriage to the wedding. The carriage is brown on the outside and red in the inside.

Lady Diana's favourite colour was pink, and she wore lots of pink dresses. The Queen had an exciting day the food was very yummy and delicious. Everyone was crying happy tears because of how romantic it was. When the day was done the Queen travelled home in her carriage. Then when she got home the queen put her feet up and watched tv and had a little bit of a nap, after a very tiring day!

**By Alanna**



## The Golden Jubilee - 2002

The Queen woke up to hear people outside.

Yawn. yawn. yawn. yawn.

I'm ready, ready, ready.

Full English breakfast.

Pancakes, waffles, sausages.

Crowd cheering.

Ready, ready, ready

Going outside.

Living the life of a full Queen.

The Queen is here

Yay. Yay. Yay.

Going on the carriage

Having a good day

Food. Food. Food.

Wine. Wine. Wine.

Afterwards bed

It is getting late. Late. Late.

What a lovely. lovely. day.

She said in a lovely way

Night, night, my corgis

Get some sleep, sleep, sleep.



**By Tristan**





## Fabulous flags!!

The children made the flags of the 15 countries across the Commonwealth that the Queen Elizabeth is still the monarch of today.

### St Lucia



### Canada





## New Zealand



## Jamaica

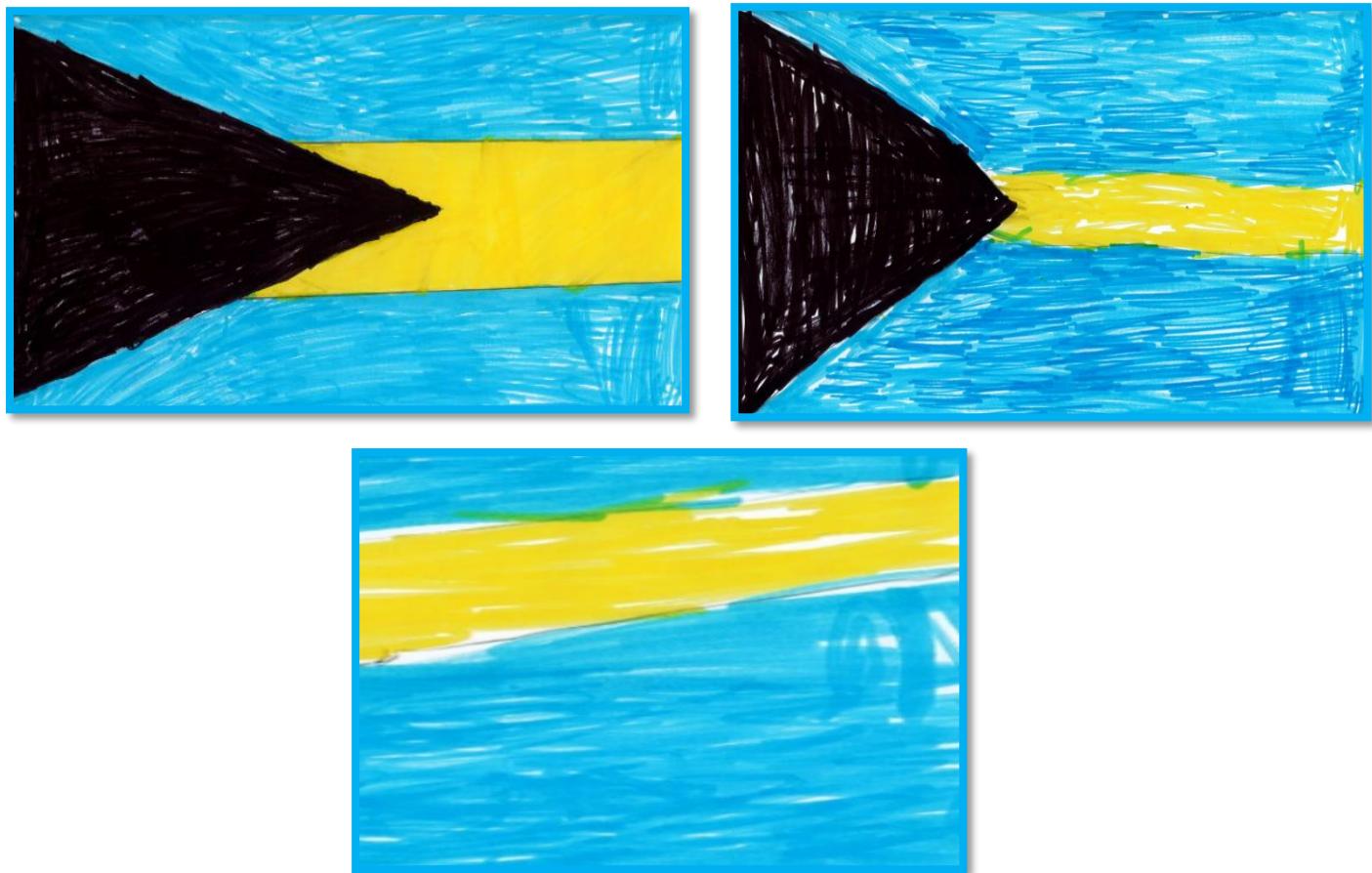


## The Solomon Islands





## The Bahamas



## Saint Kitts and Nevis

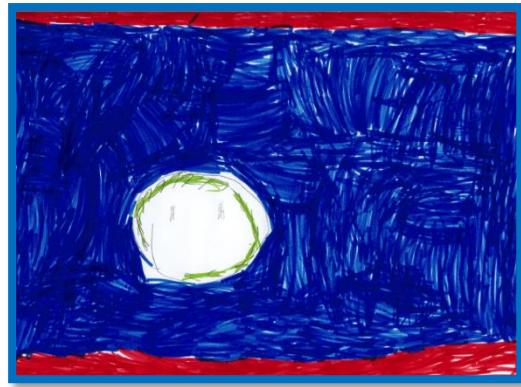


## Papua New Guinea





## Belize



## Grenada

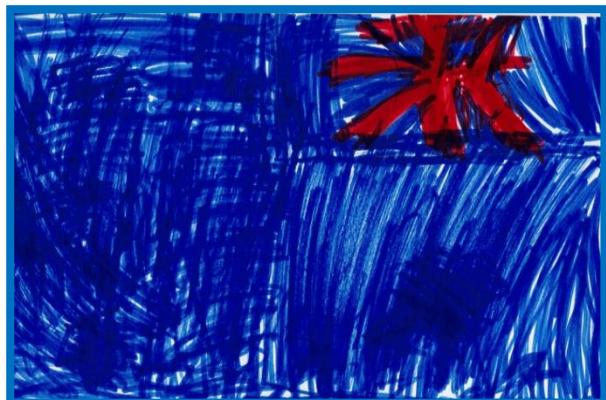


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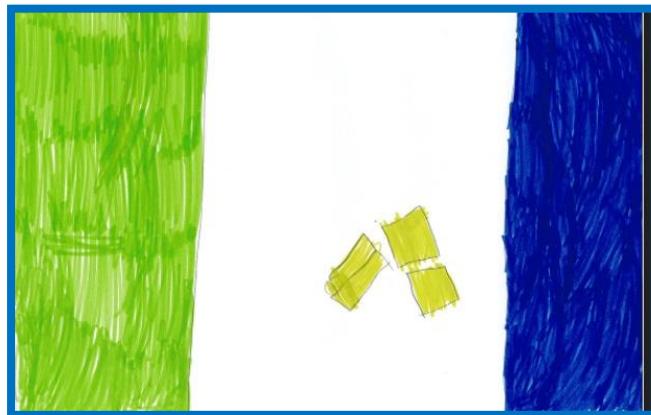
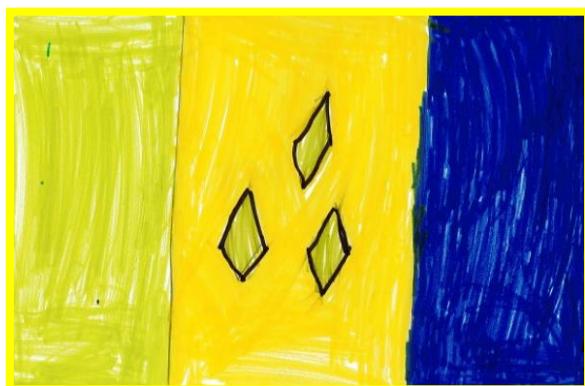




## Australia

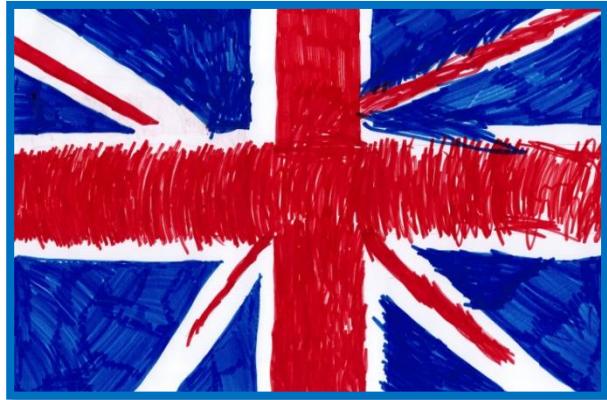
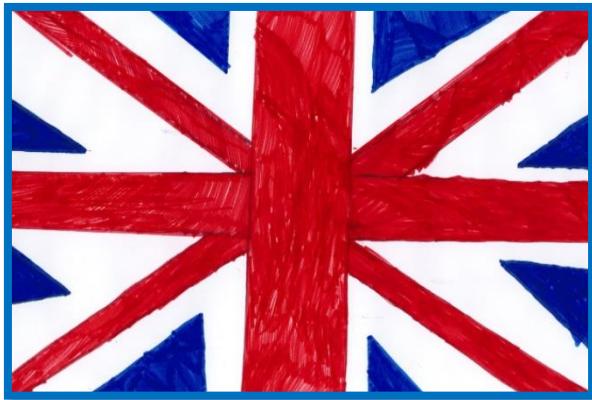


## St Vincent and the Grenadines

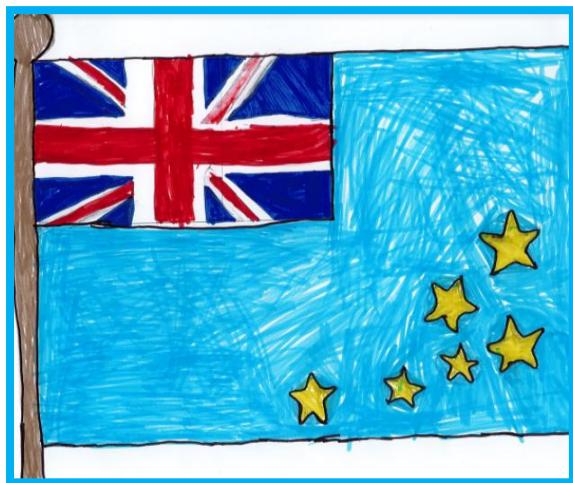




## The United Kingdom



## Tuvalu





## Rock painting & Bunting making

The children used their creative skills to paint rocks and make bunting with special Platinum Jubilee designs.





## Graphic design

Working with artist and designer Tommy Anderson, the children of Tow Law Millennium Primary School's Year 2 class produced this colourful banner to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

'The children explored a range of creative art and design activities including photomontage, typography, collage and illustration.

The children used actual postage stamps that have sent letters across the country since 1952 to spell out the words, 'Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee', a visual snapshot of how the Queen has changed over the years.

The inspiration for the images used came from what the children considered 'being British', such as our love of pets and animals, going to the seaside, and of course a nice cup of tea!

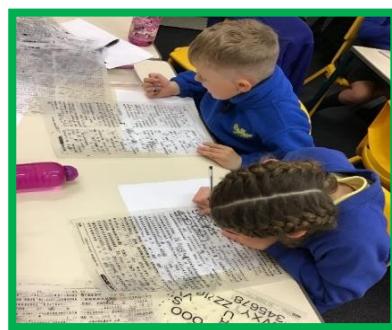
Other influences such as sport, public art and friends of the United Kingdom appear in the artwork (can you find all 54 flags of The Commonwealth)? Even all 14 Dr Who's (who The Queen has seen come and go whilst on the throne) are hidden in the artwork if you can spot them!

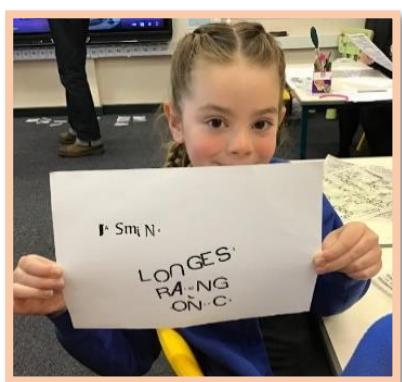
The project was a great opportunity for the children to discover more about the cultural and historical heritage of the United Kingdom, develop exciting new creative skills, and join in with the nation celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.'

Tommy Anderson

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## Drama workshops

The children took part in drama workshops with Mitch Donaldson and Becky Bartram from the Shoddy Theatre Company. They planned & prepared a play that was performed at the Tow Law Community Centre, on the weekend of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

'Working with the children at Tow Law Primary, we used a range of theatrical techniques, to enable the children to access their creativity and build their camaraderie. The games we played focused on team work and learning to cooperate with each other, often without words. Improvisation is a key factor in creativity, which is why we used scenarios for the children to role play and react to one another.

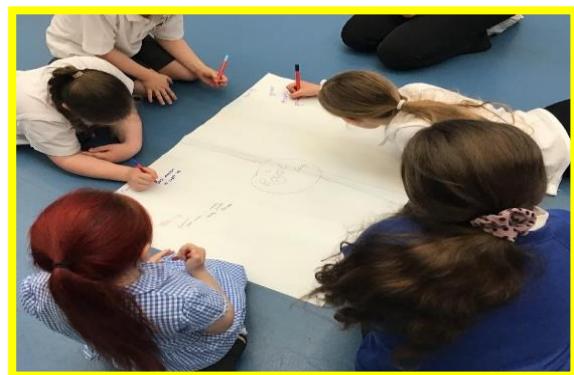
Eventually, the children began to break away into smaller groups to research the background of the Platinum Jubilee and the Royal Family in general. The children then considered what the Jubilee meant to them. When the groups were brought back together, they began to explore their ideas, using the skills that they had learnt over the past few weeks.

The performance has been written, devised and created by the children at Tow Law Millennium Primary School, whilst we, at Shoddy facilitated, gave helpful pointers and directions. Watching them over the course of the project, we have really seen the children grow in terms of their confidence.

They should all be very proud of themselves for not only performing in front of an audience but for losing their inhibitions and not being afraid to try new things.'

Mitch Donaldson & Becky Bartram

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## The Platinum Jubilee Community Event

The children created a special Platinum Jubilee exhibition and performance, to be performed at the Tow Law Community Centre during the weekend of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

They performed and displayed their creative work to hundreds of local people.

It was a wonderful event!





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