

# **Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas' Catholic Primary School**



Creating a creative resource  
Homework sacks linking  
Science and Literacy



# Summary of Content

This is a wonderfully versatile resource which can be adapted to any topic and promotes links with *science/literacy* as well as *home/school*.

The school have not only been creative with the *resources* but also how they were funded by enlisting the help of the *PTA*.

The only limit to this idea is the *creativity of the staff!*

# What the school says

We created *Science Discovery Sacks* to link science and literacy in creative, fun and enjoyable ways.

They raise the profile of *science* as well as support our commitment to improving the standard of *reading* and writing in our school.

They also improve *home/school links* and feedback from parents has been overwhelmingly positive.

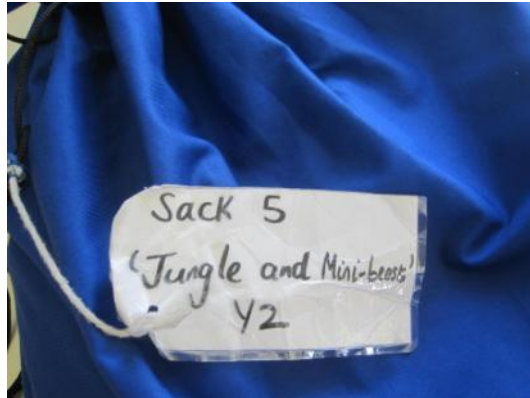
# The sacks

Year 2 – Minibeast sack

Year 6 – Crime Scene Investigation

Sacks were created for all classes R to Y6 each containing both a fiction and non-fiction book on the relevant topic as well as games, puzzles and puppets.

Guidelines were written for parents to support the activities.

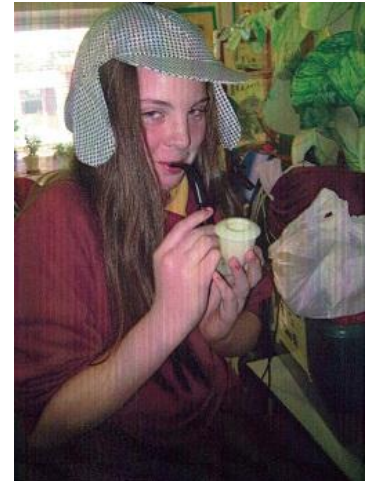


Children take it in turns to take a sack home for one week and are encouraged to record any work in a book provided. Parents also make comments if they wish.

Rachel Wall – 12<sup>th</sup> March 2013

I really enjoyed the Science Sack because you get to make up your own murder scenes. I loved being Sherlock Holmes with the pipe and cap.

(Thanks Mrs Ashcroft)  
R.Wall





# Year 6 Crime Scene Investigation sack



Crime Scene

Last night in a pub near Morris green, Liverpool a man died from a gunshot wound. The victims name was Joseph park age 26.


Witnesses claim the Joseph and a man called Henry got started to row. The fight steadily escalated until the trigger was fired.

Joseph was rushed to hospital but later died of shock and blood loss. Henry got however fled the scene and the police are now in a huge manhunt.

If you see this man please dial 999 as soon as possible as we need to catch this man.

Thankyou

Character Profile of A New Detective

 PICTURE	Name: (Name) (Last) Age: (11) What makes them a good detective: I have great skills and great detective equipment.
Description of Detective & Favourite equipment: Very serious Happy Funny Finger Print Magnifying Glass.	
Character traits, usual sayings, habits etc: Gocha yes.	
Strengths in crime fighting and detective work: Always ready for a fight	
Assistant or works alone? Works Alone.	



# The impact for our school was .....

- Children have clearly enjoyed this fresh approach to science and literacy and their recorded work supports this.
- Many parents have reported raised awareness and motivation toward science, enjoyment of reading with their children and an appreciation of the many resources.



# Science Subject Leaders Comments

Thanks to the PTA who funded the sacks and resources.

They have been so successful that in the future we want to create even more sacks so more children can have access to this quality resource.

As before, we will carry out some research to find out what topics the children are interested in.