

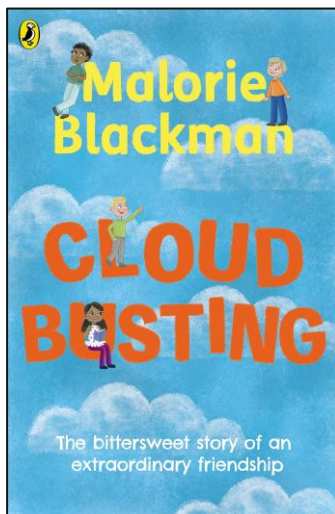


## Head's Message

We've made a great start to October. The children have still been working hard with the whole school **pride challenge**. This Wednesday we had a visitor come to school to take a look around. The last time they were at Conway was 3 weeks ago, before the start of the challenge. They described the school as **neat, bright** and looking **sharp!** That means our hard work is already paying off.

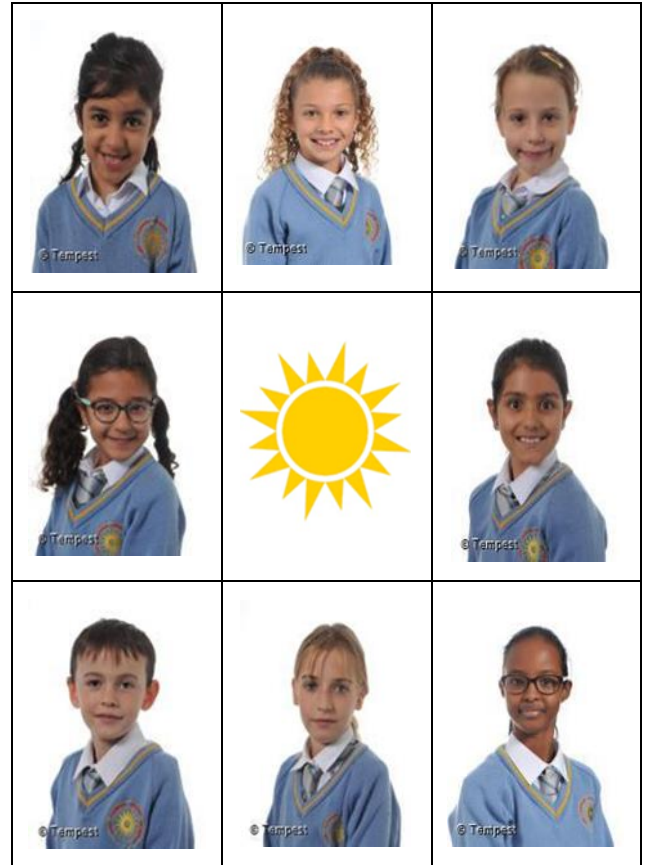
In assembly today I announced the next stage of helping me pick a winner for this challenge. We are going to fill up all of the display boards at the school with the children's big writes. A big write is the final piece of writing in an English learning Journey and displays our best writing from that 3-week unit. I know that I will see so many pieces of neat work that I'm now thinking it might not be so helpful to me after all. However, I hope that everyone will feel a burst of pride at seeing their work displayed!

We are also celebrating **Black History Month**. This year we are celebrating black authors! You will notice that this is everyone's home learning this week as well. I would like to take this opportunity to share with you one of my favourite books by a black author. *Cloud Busting* is a book by Malorie Blackman. I particularly love this book as every chapter is a different type of poetry and there is a huge twist near the end that really shocked me, you should definitely check it out!



## Stars of the Week

For showing our school value of **Honesty**, this week our stars of the week are:



This week the attendance figures are:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Ali</b>	<b>99.00%</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Obama</b>	98.89%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Angelou</b>	96.55%
4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Farah</b>	95.86%
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Attenborough</b>	95.80%
6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nightingale</b>	95.67%
7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Earhart</b>	93.33%

## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Y6 Challenge week

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 4 book shop trip

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 and 6 Author visit

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 and 6 Secondary School open evening

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October** – Y5 trip to Museum of London

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October** – Y2 trip to Tower of London.

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October** – Y3 trip to the Science Museum

## Celebration Assemblies

Please join us at 8:35am for our celebration assemblies on the following dates. *\*\*Parents from all year groups are welcome each week.*

## Composer of the Term

**Our composer for this half term is:**

**Ethel Smyth**



## Home Learning

Please share all completed home learning work on Seesaw. You can find more information about Seesaw by following this link: **Seesaw home learning.**

## Whole School

To celebrate Black History Month, your Home Learning for this week is to research a Black author and display your findings in a creative way.

An additional challenge is to read as many books by Black authors as you can by the end of the month. Please write down the title and author of any books you read on special slips found in your classroom.

## Social Media

Please take a look at our Facebook page 'Ark Conway Primary Academy'. You can also follow us on Twitter: @ARKConway or on Instagram (@arkconwayprimaryacademy)

*Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. Our safeguarding policy can be found in the school office.*