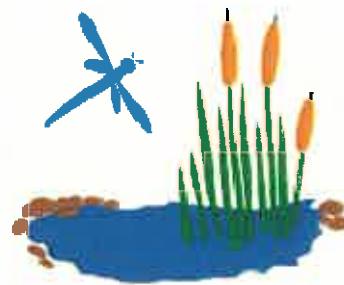


# Dragonfly



Sowerby Community Primary School | summer 2017

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## WHAT A WHIZZ!

**The Year 5 and 6 production of The Wizard of Oz – complete with not one but SIX Dorothies!**

**The best bits recalled by our Dragonfly editors:**

**Eloise – Dorothy No 3 – “singing Somewhere over the Rainbow” with some of my friends**

**Fiona – Lullaby League – “it was fun and energetic, a performance that made everybody smile!”**



*Dragonfly* is the School's newspaper, written largely by pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Its aim is to report some of the exciting things that have happened during the term. It comes out at the end of each term.

The themes in this term's issue include wanting to learn about animals and our world, with some concerns about the future, a focus on safety – in the street and online – and recalling the fun and learning of a journey back to the Stone Age. But we start with sporting achievement:...

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# Hambleton Cricket Trials



On Mondays I go to cricket training from 6pm to 7.30pm at Thirsk racecourse. I am interested in cricket because the people who live opposite me started playing it and they are my best friends. We played it in their garden.

The next step was my friends started going to the trials – proper stumps and good bats! That captured the fun part of me and I love playing.

At training we split up into two groups and do catching practice. We start with running round the rugby posts to warm up, before the catching practice.

We do a game called the knee game. If you drop the ball once, you go down on one knee and if you drop it again you go down on two knees...and if you drop it again you sit down. And if you drop it again you go on your back, and again you have to run round the rugby posts.

My coach nominated me for Hambleton Training Trials, and that was on Friday 5 May. To start off with we tried bowling at the stumps and I hit them a couple of times - it was good fun. I have come so far, now I hope you start cricket too and do very well in it.

CRICKET IS GREAT

By Cameron M

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## ***MICHAEL VALENTINE'S FAVOURITE SPORT***

# ***Basketball and Me***

I like to play basketball. I have brittle bones and I cannot play football, but I can play cricket. I got interested when I saw the film High School Musical – there is a person called Troy and he plays basketball for his high school. It appealed because it looked fun to do. I got started – I had a mini basketball anyway – the ball is small enough for my hands. I started playing at home near my garage. I play it with my brothers. Now I am looking forward to having a basketball kit for my birthday !



My dream is to play it professionally. I have been to see the Sheffield Sharks play.

# Road safety

## Road safety

Road safety is VERY important because if you hit by a car or something off the road you a probably damaged for life so it is VERY important that you stay safe on the road

## Walking to school

Some people walk to school and when you cross a road you don't pay a lot of attention and you get hit. Some children walk to school by themselves and if you have a phone to tell your mum you're okay you should do it at the school gate and then put it your bag and when you get into school give it to a teacher so you do not get in trouble

## Crossing the road

Crossing the road you have to be very sensible at this part especially if you're by yourself because if you were looking down at your phone and you look up and there are no cars coming and you look at your phone again and you start crossing the road and a car starts coming you will not see it

## Talking to strangers

I know this is not about road safety but it is still important for people that walk to school by themselves if a stranger asked you a question just keep walking it may seem rude but it is the right thing to do

## If someone follows you

If somebody follows you and you don't have a phone to tell someone here's what to do

1. Run and hide until they go away
2. If they say they will take you to school don't get in their car or walk with them because they might do something and take you some where else
3. If they keep following you just keep running until you get to school and tell a teacher so they can tell your parents

By dragonfly writers Grace Simpson, Lydia palmer, Chloe palmer, Libby Simpson and Naomi Ferguson

HOPE YOU ALL ENJOY OUR ASSEMBLY

# Internet safety

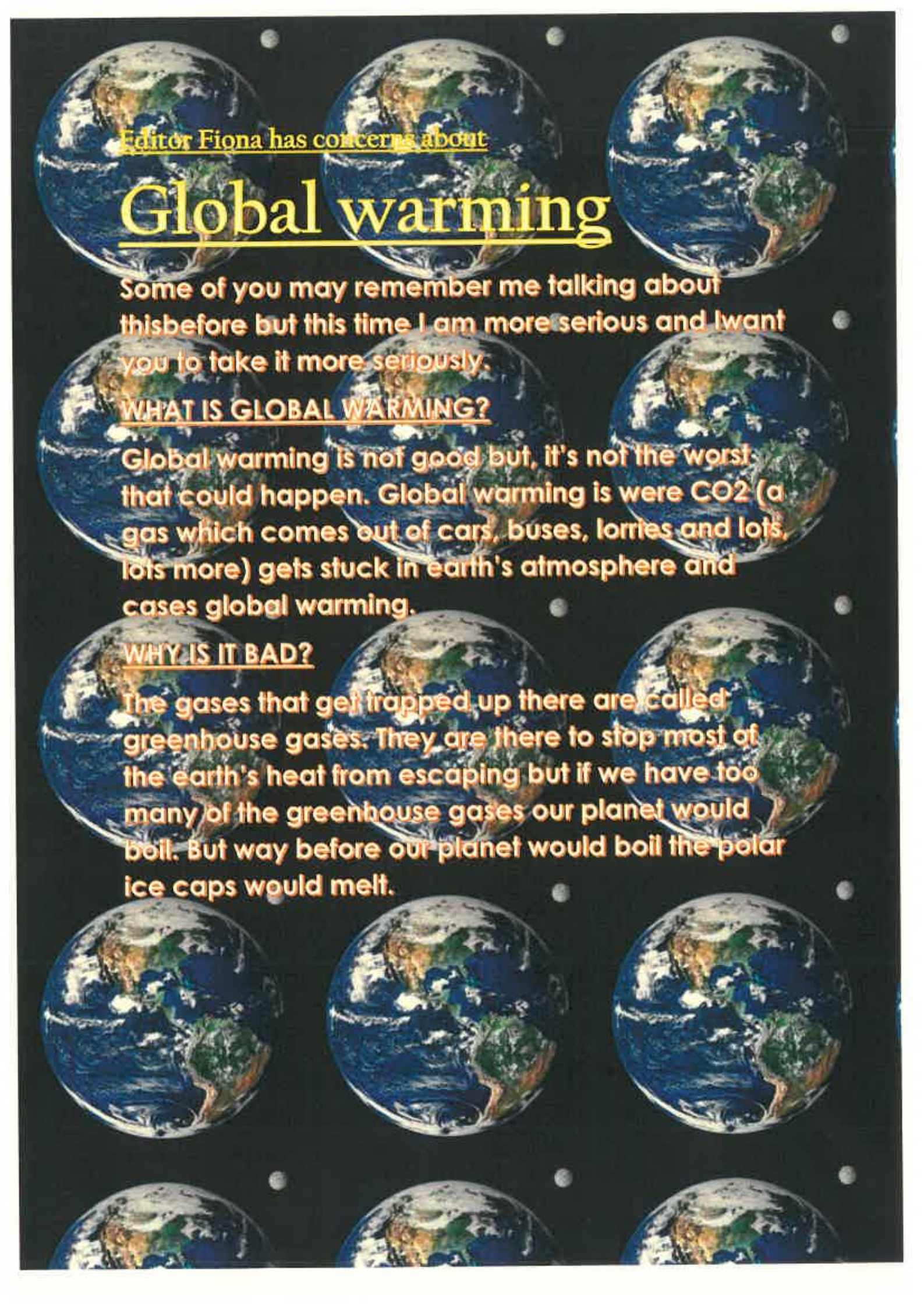
- **Never give people your personal information because they might find out where you live and come to your house.**
- **Never give people you don't know your phone number because they also might work out your details.**
- **Do not tell people what school you go to because they also might pick you up from your school and kidnap you.**
- **Never tell people where you live because they might come to your house and kidnap you.**

**By Charlotte Cousins**

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## Friends

**F**riends can be dangerous to have if you don't really know them which is "stranger danger", but if you have been friends with them for a long time I guess you are fine. What I mean by "stranger danger" is if you meet someone for the first time they might betray you and get you into trouble. I have made a lot of friends in school. By Warren.



Editor Fiona has concerns about

# Global warming

Some of you may remember me talking about this before but this time I am more serious and I want you to take it more seriously.

## WHAT IS GLOBAL WARMING?

Global warming is not good but, it's not the worst that could happen. Global warming is where CO<sub>2</sub> (a gas which comes out of cars, buses, lorries and lots, lots more) gets stuck in earth's atmosphere and causes global warming.

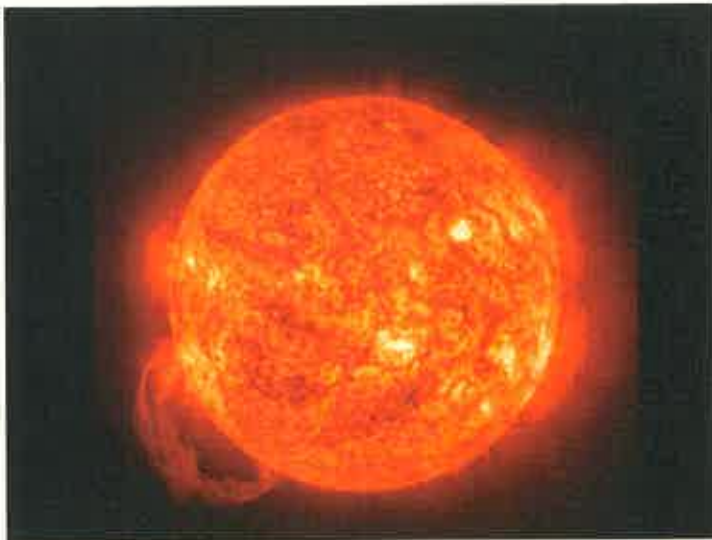
## WHY IS IT BAD?

The gases that get trapped up there are called greenhouse gases. They are there to stop most of the earth's heat from escaping but if we have too many of the greenhouse gases our planet would boil. But way before our planet would boil the polar ice caps would melt.

Let's think ahead to

# The End of the World

Some people believe robots, monsters, zombies or pollution will end the world. Well, scientists believe pollution will end the planet but the sun will end the world!



It takes decades for the sun to enlarge even by a few metres.

By pollution I mean bad air and bad water. Bad air: factories making smoke, cars and motor bikes making exhaust gases - there is a solution for that - electric cars sounds a good idea.

Bad water - oil spilling into the sea, litter: mainly plastic. Recently I went crabbing at the seaside and every five minutes I saw a bag floating by. What can we do about that? Stop throwing litter into the water.

Scientists believe that in about 12 billion years the planet will be eaten by the sun's intense heat.

By Kieran Moss.

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## NATURE

Dry fresh grass tickling on my feet.

The tweeting of the birds above in  
the tree tops.

The fluffy clouds showing pictures,

The earth gently twitching on my  
nose;

The sharp holly on my fingertips.

Bumpiness on the bark.

The crunchiness of the leaves.

By Lizzie Butchers





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# HUSKIES

**H**uskies made their American debut at the second year of the All Alaska Sweepstakes Race in 1909. Rumour had it that these canines were superior sled dogs; they proved the gossip true by dominating the racing competitions in Alaska for the following decade. Huskies are amazing dogs!!!!!! They were born to run!!!!!!! By Lilly Coy. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺



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## How owls live in the wild

Owls have lived on earth for centuries. They have sharp claws to catch their victims. They have really good eyes to see at night. Owls are part of the birds family and they are the most brave.



By Alex

This little creature isn't at all like the cartoon character,  
Teeganne explains

# The Tasmanian Devil



The Tasmanian Devil is a carnivorous marsupial once native to mainland Australia and now found in the wild only on the island state of Tasmania, including tiny east-coast Maria Island where there is a conservation project with disease-free animals.

**Size** The real Tasmanian devil doesn't really look like a famous cartoon character. It isn't the same size as humans, for example. Nor does it storm through its surroundings like a swirling hurricane. The Tasmanian devil is just 20 to 31 inches (51 to 79 centimetres) tall and weighs only 9 to 26 lbs. (4 to 12 kilograms)

**Habitats** The Tasmanian devil is found on the island of Tasmania in Australia. Though Tasmanian devils can live anywhere on the island, they prefer coastal scrublands and forests. But they don't mind what area of the island they inhabit, these animals sleep under rocks or caves, logs or burrows. By Teeganne Wilkes



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## Warren's thoughts on.... Gravity

If there wasn't gravity we wouldn't be here, because if there wasn't gravity there wouldn't be air. In space there is no air. There is no speaking because if you scream in space you won't be able to hear it.

Gravity is the force that pulls everything towards the centre of the earth.  
Thanks goodness for Gravity!

# Unicorns

- Unicorns are real I can show you.
- Unicorns don't have a fake horn on their head they have a real horn.
- Unicorns are really nice.



Unicorns are like horses but they have a horn on their head. Some people don't believe in them it's because they don't use their imagination, and people haven't ever seen a unicorn before.



**BELIEVE  
IN  
UNICORNS!**



By Sofia Micheli.

# Our Trip To Murton Park



On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May we went to Murton Park.



We got dressed up as Stone Age people and named our chief Wolf. Our

tribe was called Storm Tribe. We were named Oi. He taught us some things about The Stone Age.

When we entered our village it was amazing! We went hunting and we couldn't talk, so we used hand signals.

We made an "Argos catalogue", we ground wheat to make flour, and Beaker Pots.



We had lunch at 12:30, and finished at 1:00, so we had half an hour to eat our lunch. Lunch I would say was the second best thing about the trip. Everybody liked hunting the best.

At the end, we had a story. It was about Otse The Ice



Man. Somebody had murdered him. His last meal was goat's meat and porridge, he was murdered in The Alps. Two hikers found him. They made a museum all about him. We said thank you to Wolf and got on the bus.

By Florence Garlick