Year 3 -Cinema Trip

Year 3 had a fantastic time visiting Cineworld as part of the **Into Film Festival**. We enjoyed a special cinema screening of the animated film *Flow*, which proved to be an exciting, thought-provoking and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Flow tells the story of a brave, independent cat whose home is suddenly destroyed by a huge flood. As the water rises, the cat finds safety on a boat alongside a group of other animals, including a capybara, a lemur, a bird and a dog. Although the animals are very different and do not always get along at first, they must learn to work together to overcome challenges and survive in their new watery world. Along their journey, they experience friendship, kindness, courage and the importance of supporting one another.

One particularly interesting feature of *Flow* is that there is no spoken dialogue. Instead, the story is told through the characters' actions, facial expressions, music and sounds, encouraging the audience to watch carefully and use their imagination to understand what is happening.

The film provided some wonderful opportunities to link with our Year 3 learning across the curriculum..

- **PSHE:** The story highlighted the importance of teamwork, friendship, kindness, empathy and perseverance. We could see how the animals had to overcome their differences, trust one another and work together to solve problems.
- **Geography:** We considered the impact of flooding on the natural environment and how changes to the landscape can affect both animals and their surroundings.

It was lovely to see all the children representing our school so positively. Everyone behaved exceptionally well throughout the trip, showing excellent manners and being respectful of other cinema visitors.

The children were thoroughly engaged and clearly enjoyed watching the film. They were captivated by the adventures of the animals and had plenty to think and talk about afterwards.

Our visit to the Into Film Festival was a wonderful opportunity to enjoy cinema together, experience a different style of storytelling and make meaningful links with our classroom learning.

Well done, Year 3! You made us very proud!

