

Hi Year 6,

I hope you are all well and staying safe. Thank you to everyone who has sent me work and photographs to look at - very impressive!

Your writing task this week is to write a description of a villain's lair. You could also include a labelled diagram. You can create your own or describe a famous lair from a book. We read the example below in one of our guided reading lessons. You can email your completed work to me at darwin@ksmacademy.com or send through Showbie.

It was a high-ceilinged room about sixty feet long, lined on three sides with books to the ceiling. At first glance the fourth wall seemed to be made of solid blue-black glass. The room appeared to be a combined study and library. There was a paper-strewn desk in one corner. Comfortable club chairs, upholstered in red leather, were dotted around. Strangely, chairs and a table were arranged in a semi-circle by the empty wall, centring it in the room.

Bond's eye caught a swirl of movement in the dark glass. He walked across the room. A silvery spray of small fish with a bigger fish in pursuit fled across the dark blue. They disappeared, so to speak, off the edge of the screen. This was not an aquarium. This was the sea itself and the night sky. The whole of one side of the room was made of armoured glass. They were under the sea, looking straight into its heart, twenty feet down.

A silver swarm of anchovies stopped and hovered and sped away. The twenty foot tendrils of a Portuguese man-o'-war drifted slowly across the window, glinting violet as they caught the light. Up above there was the dark mass of its underbelly, steering with the breeze.

Descriptive Writing Tips:

- Simile/metaphor/personification
- Powerful verbs/adverbs
- Powerful adjectives
- 5 senses
- Varied sentence length
- Ambitious vocabulary
- Where is the lair?
- What is the surrounding area like?





The dance lessons by Oti Mabuse from *Strictly Come Dancing* are very enjoyable and great exercise! You can find these on YouTube.

Remember to have a look at the BBC bitesize lessons. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons> There are lots of interesting topics for you to explore and the lessons are not too long! You could make some notes about what you have learnt and send to darwin@ksmacademy.com to impress me with your new knowledge!

There are activities on Activelearn, MyMaths and Education City for you to complete this week. You can also continue using Prodigy and Rockstars to support your Maths learning.

Have a good week and take care,

Mrs Strickland