



e-news @ Leigh & Bransford

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Friday the 13th and Spring is in the air. Enjoy the weekend you lovely lot.

Coronavirus Update – We are continuing to monitor this fluid and everchanging situation, we will keep you informed. We are in ongoing contact with all educational visit providers. Should things change we will contact you immediately via text message & dojo and will update corospondance on our website. We remain vigilant in school. Meanwhile please follow the link to Public Health England for practical advice.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-action-plan>

Extra-Curricular Clubs – These have returned to normal from this week. Yoga returns today as per individual club letter.

Bus Register – Please make sure you let us know if our child is on the bus on a weekly basis. We cannot release your child onto it unless we have confirmation

Reception, Mr Powney - This week in reception we have continued our work on Jack and the Beanstalk and acted out the story. We have also started creating our own story maps to help us re-tell the story and begin to understand the story pattern used. In maths we have been learning about money and have been role playing shops to learn and understand the language of pence. We have stretched our understanding by working out what can buy, with a given amount, and how much change we have left. In music we have been finding the pulse and practising our singing skills!



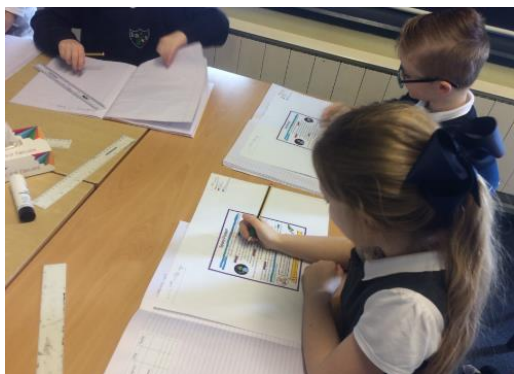
Class 1, Miss Knight - This week in class 1 we have been learning all about the different places that Paddington visited in London. In maths we have had lots of fun learning to tell the time and have been solving some problems using time. As part of our topic work we are looking at the four seasons in the UK and have thought about what we might need to pack if we went on a winter holiday. We have also looked at Vivaldi's four season's and thought about how music can paint a picture in our heads. We also had lots of fun on World Book Day thinking about our favourite books and authors.



Class 2, Mrs Tedds - The children enjoyed a fantastic day last Friday at Dyson Perrins for the Multiskills festival. The sunny weather really helped and the children learnt a lot of new PE skills. We have particularly praised every child on their excellent behaviour and teamwork with the other schools that attended. The children really have put their drawing skills to the test by attempting to draw some of Beatrix Potter's well loved characters. We were very impressed with how well the children did after worrying they would not be able to. Some children felt particularly proud of what they produced. In geography, the children are learning about physical and human features and how these are displayed on a map. We enjoyed looking at a map of Malvern and used a number key to find where the main human features were of the town. They have also used Google Earth to find our school and look at the surrounding areas and physical features. In literacy, we have begun to look at writing to persuade and the children came up with many sentences to persuade Mr Todd to let Peter Rabbit go.



Class 3, Miss Radford This week in class 3 we have started our new literacy focus of writing to persuade. The children have started off the week by taking part in some very interesting whole class debates, arguing their points of either for or against each topic to encourage others to join their side. We have also been looking at persuasive texts and identifying the effective vocabulary ready to start writing some of our own. In addition to this, we have had a mysterious egg appear in our classroom, with no idea who or where it has come from. The children have been asking and answering questions in relation to this and have already been taking good care of the egg whilst we patiently (sort of) wait for it to hatch.



Class 4, Miss Albutt - In PE this week the children have been exploring the gymnastics apparatus. They have been experimenting and finding different movements and balances they can perform whilst incorporating the equipment. Next week the children will move onto evaluating their performance and thinking of ways they can improve their techniques.



Class 5, Mrs Sage – This week we have been learning how to convert from improper fractions to mixed number and solve problems involving fractions. We used cubes to make the fractions which enabled us easily to see the relationship between improper fractions and whole numbers. To continue our sequence of learning, we are now progressing to adding and subtracting fractions with the same and different denominators. In our writing, we have been learning about the Tsunamis of 2004 and 2011 and the devastating impact these had on millions of people. To support us with this, we have started our class book 'Tsunami Kids' which is written by The Gandy brothers. This tells the true stories of brothers who survived a tsunami and how their lives changed as a result of this.



Class 6, Miss Hutchinson - This has been a busy and challenging week in class 6. In maths, we have been continuing our work in algebra, where we have progressed to looking at how algebraic formulas could be used in solving real-life problems. This has been a challenging topic area, but through good pupil discussions and team skills, the children have been successful. In literacy, we have continued our work around character descriptions, where we have looked at how speech can be used to infer character traits. We have examined how J K Rowling used this skill when describing characters such as Dumbledore and Professor McGonagall. In geography, we are starting to look at different countries; identifying similarities and differences between human and physical geography. We look forward to using our information in an imaginative way next week!

The Friend Zone

Easter Tombola 3rd April 2020 – As in previous years we are asking for donations of Easter Eggs in return for raffle tickets if you are able to make a donation please leave your eggs at the front reception (where we shall lock them away from ourselves!)

Dates for your Diary – There is lots to look forward too.

27.03.2020 – Jubilee cake sale

03.04.2020 – Easter Hunt & Easter Egg Tombola

01.05.2020 – Movie Night

15.05.2020 - Sponsored Walk

22.05.2020 – Midsummer Cake Sale

27.06.2020 – Summer Fete

03.07.2020 - Beacon cake sale

10.07.2020 – Leavers Disco

Our very best reasons to feel proud!

Roman K & Isla P – Great acting skills

Lainey B – Always helping others.

Harvey H - For his attitude towards learning and building his independence.

William M - For improved confidence in all subject areas.

Thea C - For your creativity in art.

Callie M – For working independently.

Harriet – Excellent art skills

Morgan R – Excellent writing skills in his persuasive letter.

Mila S – Excellent explanations in science.

Seth S – Excellent effort with writing his persuasive letter.

Merit for the whole of class 3 for an excellent performance of their song in assembly.

Sammy M and Henry T - commitment and determination in PE

Milly C – Improvement in spelling.

George P - Excellent effort in our cardio vascular P.E session

Fiona M & Thomas C - For excellent participation and sharing of ideas in our R.E learning.

Mali T - For continued amazing progress in reading.

Carys R - For a fantastic attitude to learning and improving presentation.

School dates for your diary

Easter – School closes Friday 3rd April & reopens Monday 20th April 2020.

Summer Half Term – School closes Friday 22nd May & reopens Monday 1st June 2020. (Inc. Whitsun Bank Holiday – Mon 25th May)

End of Summer Term – Friday 17th July 2020

May Day Bank Holiday – Friday 8th May 2020 (Anniversary of VE Day)

TED Days

Thursday 7th May 2020 –Police Commissioner Elections – school used for polling,

Monday 20th July 2020

Class Trip Dates - All information for these trips should have come home in a separate correspondence, if you require any further assistance please visit the school office where we will always do our very best to help you. All payments via Payments 4 Schools.

Class 4 – Condoover Hall (Residential) - Monday 16th March

Class 2 – Edward Elgar National Trust – Tuesday 17th March.

Class 6 – Harry Potter Studio – Wednesday 1st April