School Newsletter: Friday 14th Jun 2024

In our classes this week…..

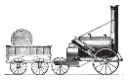
Nursery

This week linked to our book 'The Gigantic Turnip' we talked about different things which we plant and different types of weather that helps plants and vegetables to grow. Continuing with our pirate theme we made treasure with our gold playdough. The children used different techniques to make the treasure into different shapes e.g. rolling parts of the playdough between their hands or squashing it down to make flat shapes and then we placed their creations in our treasure chest.

Key Stage 1

KS1 are enjoying learning about programming on Scratch Jr, this is a free app which they could download at home. Reception have enjoyed learning about where they can find rockpools and the creatures which live in rockpools.

The highlight of our week has to be our trip to Shildon's Railway Museum where the children learnt about how trains have changed throughout history and why George and Robert Stephenson are significant people from the past.



Key Stage 2 – Lower

We really enjoyed our Zumba afternoon on Tuesday, practising and performing different dance styles.
In music, we learnt, practised and performed a song in two different groups.
We are really enjoying reading Varjak Paw in literacy. This week, we have delved into the different characters and predicted what we think is going to happen.

Key stage 2 – Upper

In literacy this week we have been writing CVs to apply for a role as a crew member on Ernest Shackleton's journey to the Antarctic.

In science we wrote reports about the differences between a series and parallel circuit.

The swimming teacher Mrs Brough, has complimented our class for their brilliant attitudes and continuous hard work during sessions. Well done everyone, it is brilliant when staff from other agencies notice, and comment on what a brilliant class you are! 😀

School Uniform

As we approach the end of the school year it is understandable that you may not wish to replace school shoes or other uniform items until closer to September. If your child is currently wearing 'temporary' items please could they be as close to our school uniform as possible-:

Red jumper / cardigan
White polo shirt
Black or grey skirt / trousers
Black shoes / black trainer style shoes

If your child is wanting their ears pierced please could this be done as soon as we break up so they can be removed after the 6-week holiday. **Earrings / piercings are not allowed in school.**

If your child is wanting patterns or colours in their hair, please could this also be done as soon as we break up so it will be grown out by the end of the 6-week holiday. Thank You.

General

This week in assembly we have looked at the British value of democracy and Article 4: Making Rights real. We linked it the general election that has been announced for the 4th July and the question: Is voting the best way to change things for the better? Our protected characteristic this week was religion or belief.

We continued our journey through Contemporary Music this week, listening to Part 2 of the Carnival Suite - Carnival Song by John K Miles.

Week commencing 17th June

Monday – KS2 – Health & Fitness After School Club*
Wednesday – KS1 - Multi Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Y5 + Y6 – Swimming**

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 25th June 2024 – Reception New Starters Parents Evening 3.30 pm
Friday 28th June 2024 – Class Photographs
Thursday 11th July 2024 – Sports Day (Whole School)
Friday 19th July 2024 – Break up for Summer holidays
Monday 22nd July 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 23rd July 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Wednesday 4th September 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)