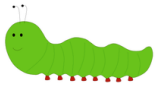
School Newsletter: Friday 1st Mar 2024

In our classes this week…..

EYFS

The EYFS children have been introduced to their topic this half term which is Who lives in the wild garden. We have discussed which mini beasts may live here. The Nursery children went on a mini bug hunt to find bugs for their tuff tray and the Reception children have created observational drawings of both mini beast and flowers.
We have also prepared the soil in our planting area and planted lots of seeds which the children will care for.



Key Stage 1

This week in geography, we enjoyed using maps to locate Brazil. We compared the location of Brazil to the UK and the children were able to tell me which continent each country was a part of.
In design technology, the children are beginning their textiles unit where they will explore fabrics, design and make a fabric purse. The children enjoyed exploring the different fabrics and used some fantastic adjectives to describe their properties.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

This week class 2 have been finding out what nutrition is and thinking about what humans need to stay alive.
In literacy we have been making predictions about our shared reading text and writing descriptions to match an illustration.
In geography we have begun to name and find key countries in Europe on a map.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week class 3 have been learning what a biome is and where these are in the world.
In maths we have been finding the area of shapes.

We had a brilliant visit to the Life centre in Newcastle to complete our fully funded project from the Edina Trust. This program has been an amazing way for the children to explore a wide range of STEM learning opportunities and they have learned lots of very interesting facts.

Climate Friendly School

This half term KS1 will work with Hannah from OASES to create water butts for school which will help us to reduce our water usage.

Week commencing 4th Mar

Monday – KS2 – York Residential trip
Wednesday – KS1 - Multi Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Whole School – World Book Day - Dress up as your favourite book character
Thursday – Y3 + Y4 – Swimming**

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

General

This week, in assembly, we have looked at how important packaging is as Coca-Cola has announced it will temporarily be removing labels from Sprite and Sprite Zero bottles to trial 'label-less' packaging in some areas of the UK. We linked this to Article 24: Health, water, food and environment.

We have the right to clean water to drink and healthy food. We should also all have information about how to stay healthy. Drink and food packaging can contain details to help us do this.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Break up for Easter
Thursday 28th March 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Monday 15th April 2024 – Return to school
Monday 6th May 2024 – Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Friday 24th May 2024 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd June 2024 – Return to 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)
Thursday 5th September 2024 – Return to school
Friday 25th October 2024 – Break up for half term
Monday 4th November 2024 – Return to school
Friday 20th December 2024 – Break up for Christmas
Monday 6th January 2025 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 7th January 2025 – Return to school
Please check dojo for further dates and details