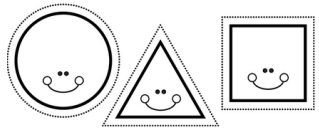
School Newsletter: Friday 24th May 2024

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

In nursery this week the children have enjoyed drawing portraits of their family. The children loved talking about their families and listening to others sharing about theirs.
We have explored cutting out shapes to help with our fine motor skills making sure we try and keep our circles round and shapes with sides straight. We then played shape matching games helping with our shape skills.



Key Stage 1

Class 1 enjoyed learning about the Vesak festival this week. They made some fantastic sun catchers and lotus flowers to help them remember the festival and why it is important to Buddhists.
Reception have learnt about position and direction this week using the BeeBots to go from one point to another on our map. They also enjoyed making puppet horses and developing their understanding of when knights would have gone to battle.
KS1 have compared vehicles in history, discussed events in school which have made them feel special in R.E. and whether a city is a habitat in science.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

In our literacy lessons this week, we have been learning about onomatopoeia and have created a poem using lots of different sounds and rhyming words.
In R.E., we have been learning about the different symbols used in Hinduism.

We enjoyed our final swimming session this week. A huge well done for all of your efforts with this class 2!

Please can all of the children in Y4 practice their times tables over the half term! The MTC will take place in the first week back.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week we have been completing a range of writing tasks to explore poems about a Tardigrade (water bear) by Philip Gross.

In science we thought about the uses of light and made a periscope to look at how light can be reflected.

In history we explored the uses of propaganda during World War 1.

In Jigsaw we discussed how to stay safe when using technology with our friends.

Notes

After half term Class 3 (years 5 and 6) will have swimming on Thursdays.

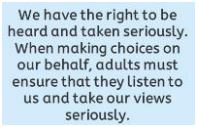
Week commencing 3rd June

Wednesday – KS1 - Multi Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Y5 + Y6 – Swimming**

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

General

This week in assembly we talked about ambition and expectation. This linked to a story about an all-girls football team that have won a league dominated by boys' teams, after going unbeaten for an entire season. We also posed the question: Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions? Our work on Article 12: respect for children's views linked to our assemblv.



Our final listening piece this half term from the 20th century was **O Fortuna from Carmina Burana** by Carl Orff. Our interesting fact was that Carl Orff invented all the pitched percussion instruments we use in schools - glockenspiels, xylophones, metallophones and chime bars.

Dates for your diary:

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
Friday 21st February 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd March 2025 – Return to school
Friday 11th April 2025 – Break up for Easter holidays
Monday 28th April 2025 – Return to school
Please check dojo for further dates and details