School Newsletter: Friday 7th Jun 2024

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

The children have all settled back nicely after half term!

This week we have started our new English topic which is about a book called 'The Gigantic Turnip'.

The children have enjoyed mark making using their fingers to write letters from the alphabet in glitter, some children even had a go at writing their name in the glitter which is amazing!

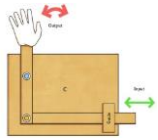
We have also had some lovely circle times this week talking about all of the things we got up to in the half term break.

Key Stage 1

Class 1 have had a great first week back.
KS1 enjoyed learning about the 5 oceans and were confident when recalling the 7 continents. In science, the children enjoyed learning about the parts of our bodies and learnt that our bodies consist of 3 main features - skin, skeleton and organs.
EYFS have shown great enthusiasm for our new topic, where we will learn about the seaside. They loved creating Punch and Judy puppets and using these to create their own puppet shows. We also looked at photographs of the seaside and sorted these into past and present.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

We have started to read our new text, Varjak Paw, in literacy and looking forward to seeing what is going to happen in this story.
In DT this week, the children have been learning about mechanisms and made a waving hand using cardboard and split pins.
Well done to children in Year 4 who have completed their Multiplication Check. You have worked really hard at practising your times tables!



Key stage 2 – Upper

This week we have started to think about where rivers are and named some of the longest rivers in the world. We also found out what the start and end of a river is called.
In Literacy, we have been thinking about the environment and the children wrote informative instructions to show how we can help to protect the ozone layer.
In science, we have started our new topic of electricity and we used equipment to create simple circuits. After watching an explanation of how this would work, we tried to use a potato as an energy source to light a bulb.

Week commencing 10th June

Monday – KS2 – Health & Fitness After School Club*
Tuesday – KS2 – Zumba*
Wednesday – KS2 – Games with AE coaching*
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 have looked at the story around Greta Thunberg, a climate change activist, being found guilty of disobeying police orders. We discussed the question: Can the voices of the young be as powerful as those of adults? This linked in with Article 13: Sharing thoughts freely and the protected characteristic of age.

This term we are listening to contemporary music starting with 'The Carnival Arrives' from The Carnival Suites by John K Miles where we listened for repeated tunes and patterns in the piece.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 13th June 2024 – Class 1 Trip
Tuesday 25th June 2024 – Reception New Starters Parents Evening 3.30 pm
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