School Newsletter: Friday 11th Oct 2024

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week in Nursery the children have been exploring sounds. We have listened to loud and quiet sounds and made our own using musical instruments! We also explored outside sounds, talked about different noises we could hear and different sounds we could make.

The children enjoyed making their own playdough this week! They loved adding in different shades of glitters and food colouring creating the colour they liked! They all followed instructions well and showed great motor skills mixing everything together.

Key Stage 1

This week, Reception have enjoyed accessing the challenges we have in their classroom. They have mixed paint, built words using magnetic letter, built a house for Ruby and counted with the musical instruments. It's been a great week!
Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed experimenting with different materials to see which were absorbent and which were waterproof.
Please remember to practise the children's sounds and tricky words at home, this can be written in the children's reading records too. They love to have their messages stamped and add a medal to our display!

Key Stage 2 – Lower

In our music lessons this week we have been using the glockenspiels to play along to the song 'Please be Kind.' We are really enjoying using the instruments!
In our French lessons this week we have been using the conjunction 'et' to add more description to a sentence.
In maths, we have all moved onto the topic of addition and subtraction and will begin to use some formal written methods of addition over the next few lessons.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week in science, we have enjoyed collecting information about the stars and constellations in our solar system.
In history, we found out how antisemitism rose in Germany in the 1930's.
In literacy, we continued to read our shared CLPE text Goodnight Mister Tom and produced propaganda posters of our own using inspiration from the WW2 posters distributed.

Week commencing 14th October

Tuesday – Whole School – Cross Country
Wednesday – KS2 – 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 how people interact with each other and the importance of collaborative work but also the value of independent work. There will be times we achieve more with others, and times we do better independently. This linked to a story about how the E-commerce company, Amazon, has told all staff they need to return to the office five days a week, ending the option to work from home. We discussed the question: How important are human interactions?
This also linked to Article 32: Protection from harmful work and the British Value of Individual Liberty.

In our Jazz listening journey, we listened to When You're Smiling written by Larry Shay, Mark Fisher and Joe Goodwin in 1928. This version is recorded by Frank Sinatra and a Big Jazz band in around 1960.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 14th October – Parents evening
Tuesday 15th October – Parents evening
Thursday 24th October – Harvest @ St Paul's Church 1:30pm (Parents and Carers welcome to join us)
Friday 25th October 2024 – Break up for half term
Monday 4th November 2024 – Return to school
Tuesday 5th November 2024 – Maths Café (Reception Class) 9am – 11am
Tuesday 12th November 2024 – Maths Café (Y1 + Y2) 9am – 11am
Tuesday 19th November 2024 – Maths Café (Y3 + Y4) 9am – 11am
Tuesday 26th November 2024 – Maths Café (Y5 + Y6) 9am – 11am
Friday 20th December 2024 – Break up for Christmas
Monday 6th January 2025 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 7th January 2025 – Return to school