School Newsletter: Friday 17th Jan 2025

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week in nursery, the children have had a blast creating their own rockets! They carefully decorated them using paints and different materials. They then had so much fun using them in imaginative play. We now have them in proud place displayed around the classroom!

We have also been focusing on our number recognition and counting. We have been ordering our number rockets and counting how many moon rocks we need to give each one.

Week Commencing 20th January

Monday – Y6 SATs Revision Club - 3:15 to 4pm
Wednesday – KS2 – Gymnastics Before School Club*
Wednesday – KS1 – Multi Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Y3+Y4 – Swimming**

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

Key Stage 1

In P.E. this week Year 1 and 2 were very enthusiastic whilst trying to incorporate their gymnastic shapes into rolls. They encouraged each other and waiting patiently for their turn on the mat.

Reception had an amazing visit to the fire station where they learnt about how firefighters help us and we had lots of fun looking around the firehouse.

In art, the children learnt about the primary colours and how we can mix these together to create different colours.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

Class 2 have worked very hard again this week. We have continued our work on Multiplication and Division in Maths and we have looked at how they are linked to each other. The children have impressed me with their understanding.

In English, we have learned more about The Gambia, where our class text is set and we have written a diary entry from the point of view of the main character.

Class 2 have also enjoyed their second swimming session this week.

Key stage 2 – Upper

In science we have begun to think about the circulatory system and the role this plays in keeping us alive.

In our gymnastics session this week, we have been looking at the distribution of weight in counterbalances.

On Thursday, we had a brilliant time working with Jenna for the Durham Market makers project.

General

This week in assembly we looked at the story where the UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer has stated that building new homes is a 'top priority' and the government has announced changes to planning rules, to make housebuilding in the countryside easier. We discussed whether you should you be allowed to build homes anywhere. We linked this to Article 27: food, clothing and a safe home and the British Value of democracy as decisions about building homes can affect everyone.

In our assemblies we are also starting to support children in developing the skills to use, understand and create media in a variety of different contexts. This week we were evaluating the resources we looked at and asking if an article can be trusted.
In our Music appreciation we listened to Storm Interlude from Peter Grimes by Benjamin Britten. This is from an opera about a fisherman, Peter Grimes, written in 1945.

Dates for your diary:

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
Friday 23rd May 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 2nd June 2025 – Return to school
Friday 18th July 2025 – Break up for Summer break
Tuesday 2nd September 2025 – INSET day (School Closed)
Wednesday 3rd September 2025 – Return to school
Friday 24th October 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd November 2025 – Return to school

Please check dojo for further dates and details