School Newsletter: Friday 20th Sep 2024

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week Nursery have enjoyed exploring outside! We have collected leaves and looked at all the different colours, sizes and shapes, we have also used the leaves in different ways for arts and crafts to display around the classroom!

Our number of the week is 1! The children have been exploring a range of activities based around the number 1, helping with number recognition and learning all about this number.

Key Stage 1

This week, Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed learning about how music has changed over the last 60 years. They listened to songs from singers and bands from the past including The Beatles and Wham! We also learnt that music was stored differently in the past, learning about cassette tapes, CDs and MP3s.

In Reception, the children have enjoyed learning new sounds during phonics and are getting much more confident at recognising s, a, t, p sounds. We have also enjoyed sharing photographs of our family and discussing what makes us special.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

In literacy this week, we have been writing letters as a character from the text, Into the Forest.

We have been learning to talk about pets and animals in our French lessons.

In our art lessons, we have been using watercolours to recreate landscapes using inspiration from famous British artists.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week in literacy we have continued to read our shared text, Goodnight Mr Tom and wrote a diary entry as the character Willie.

In art, we used mixed mediums to recreate famous impressionist pictures.
In science, we began to explore the solar system and collected information about the first 4 planets closest to the sun.

Reminder

Please ensure school uniform, in particular jumpers/cardigan's are labelled with your child's name.

Week commencing 23rd September

Wednesday – KS2 - Trip
Wednesday – KS2 – Multi Sports After School Club*

*Please wear PE kit

General

This week in assembly we looked at The Wildlife Photographer of the Year shortlist and how photos can shape the world. We linked this to the British Value of Mutual Respect & Tolerance along with Article 17: Access to information. The wildlife photography competition includes a category for young photographers to enter their pictures, showing that work is valued from everyone, no matter their age. This linked to the protected characteristic of age.

Following our Jazz and big Band theme this week we listened to **One O'clock Jump** by **Count Basie**.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 20th September – KS2 Trip
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
Friday 21st February 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd March 2025 – Return to school