School Newsletter: Friday 24th Jan 2025

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week in nursery, we've been busy planning our exciting trip to the moon! The children have had so much fun making their own astronaut costumes using a variety of materials and designing their very own passports for the journey.

We have also been practicing our counting skills by counting the aliens we might encounter during our space adventure!

Key Stage 1

This week, Reception have enjoyed learning about how doctors and nurses help us. They loved creating their own craft x-rays and trying on the different NHS scrubs.

KS1 children have enjoyed learning about Grace Darling and how her courage saved many people. They wrote some fantastic explanations about how her heroic actions need to be remembered.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

Class 2 have worked really hard this week. In English we have learned more about our class text 'One Plastic Bag'. We have discussed the problems plastic can cause and the children took it in turns to play the main character, Isatou, and ask her questions about why she began recycling plastic bags.

In Maths, we have finished our work on multiplication and are now moving on to division. The children have been very resilient, especially when learning to using the written method for multiplication. Well done Class 2.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week we have been learning about the heart and the vital role this organ has in powering the circulatory system.
In literacy, we have continued reading about the Ancient Greek hero Odysseus. Following our reading we planned and wrote a playscript to tell the early story of Odysseus's life.
In art the children enjoyed collecting information about post-impressionist artists.
In maths year 5 have completed their unit of work developing written methods for addition and subtraction.
Year 6 have completed their unit of work understanding ratio.

Week Commencing 27th 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

General

This week in assembly we have looked at a news story that focusses on the internet and access to information - Article 17.
The UK government's culture secretary, Lisa Nandy, has written to video-sharing platforms, such as YouTube and TikTok, requesting they actively share more educational content for children. We discussed whether YouTube should have more rules for younger users.

In our Music appreciation we listened to **Hedwig's Theme from Harry Potter by John Williams** who is famous for composing music for mainly films, such as the first four Harry Potter films, all the Star Wars films, Raiders Of The Lost Ark and all the other Indiana Jones' films, Superman, E.T., Home Alone, War Horse, Artificial Intelligence, The Adventures Of Tintin and over one hundred others! In this piece we listened out for the main theme played on a tinkly-sounding instrument called a celeste.

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