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Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## WELCOME

Happy New Year and welcome back. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break.

## SCHOOL AWARDS



This week special mentions were awarded to:

**Reception:** Frankie, Charley-Leigh

**Year 1:** Evie W, Brodie

**Year 2:** Jaime-Lea, Marcus

**Year 3:** Ebony

**Year 4:** Rubie, Jack

**Year 5:** Morgan, Olivia

**Year 6:** Richie, Josh S



This week 'Always' awards were given to:

**Reception:** Johnpaul

**Year 1:** Ruben

**Year 2:** Noah

**Year 3:** Denis, Beckford

**Year 4:** Oliver

**Year 5:** Amy

**Year 6:** Josh B

Our 'Always' children for the week get to spend special time with George on Friday mornings.



This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

**Reception:** Willow

**Year 1:** Evie H

**Year 2:** Sophie

**Year 3:** Jamie

**Year 4:** Maddison

**Year 5:** Alex

**Year 6:** Casey S



## ATTENDANCE

During the year attendance is monitored daily and each week classes receive awards for their attendance in the previous week. On Monday the attendance awards were presented to **Year 4 WELL DONE!**

Nursery AM 93.9%, Nursery PM 96.4%

Reception 92.4%,

Year 1 97%, Year 2 96.7%,

Year 3 97%, Year 4 97.2%

Year 5 96.2%, Year 6 97.1%

Our attendance target is **96%**



## LUNCHTIME AWARDS

On Monday awards for the previous week were given to:

**Reception:** Daisy

**Year 1:** Ronnie

**Year 2:** Marcus

**Year 3:** Marcel

**Year 4:** Amy

**Year 5:** Harrison

**Year 6:** Jasmine



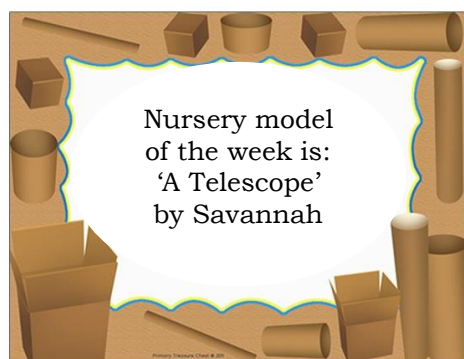
## FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

### NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been talking about all of the fantastic things we did during the Christmas holidays and what Santa brought us. We have had some new friends join us so we have been trying to make them feel welcome. In Literacy, we have been reading the story of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. We have been joining in with the story and acting it out ourselves. In Maths, we have been representing numbers by using our fingers.

Next week in Nursery, we will be carrying on with the story of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and will be talking about the settings of the story. In Maths, we will be representing number by making marks on a page.

All Children have been set the task of trying to put on their own coats, shoes and socks as this is something that they need to be doing by the time they finish Nursery. Please can you encourage your child to practise this at home so they can show the staff at Nursery. Thank you.



## RECEPTION

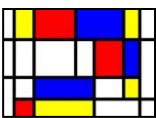
Happy New Year to all our parents and children. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break.

We have had a busy start to the new year. We started our topic on Journeys by reading the story 'We're Going on a bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. We have made our own maps and have enjoyed re-enacting the story, making sure that we sequence correctly the main events of the story.

In our Maths lessons we have been using the range of vocabulary relating to subtraction, we have also been using a variety of resources when taking away. Our PE lessons will take place on a Tuesday morning and Wednesday afternoon this half term. Could you please make sure that your child has their PE kit in school on these days. Could we also please ask that long hair is tied up and any earrings are removed.

Next week in our Maths we will be focussing in using a range of resources to support addition tasks. In Literacy and topic sessions we will continue our theme on Journeys by focussing on the story 'The Train Ride' by Jane Crebbin.

An enormous well done to all our children who have been busy reading over the Christmas holidays. It has been lovely to hear about all the stories you have been enjoying.



## YEAR 1 NEWS....

### MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

This week we have been reading Pig in the Pond by Martin Waddell. We enjoyed using drama to help us retell the story. Our story map skills are developing really well and we created super maps for the story. We have been learning about adding the suffix 'ing' and using these skills when we wrote the story ourselves.

In Maths we have been finding one more and one less than any given number. We have done this if the number has been given on its own, written as a word, or as part of a number square.

In our Big Read session we enjoyed an amazing story called How to Catch a Star, there was a brightly lit star waiting in our classroom. We worked brilliantly together to learn about stories having a beginning, middle and end.

In Science we have been learning all about everyday materials and how they are used.

George came to visit us this week and we told him all about what we would like to be when we grow up.

Miss Williams has joined our class this term and will be with us for the next six school weeks as part of her final placement at university. We are really looking forward to working with her. All the usual staff who work in class will also still be working with the children.



## YEAR 2 NEWS....

### JACKSON POLLOCK

What a busy first week back we've had. We started our new topic oceans and seas where we learnt about the 4 countries in Great Britain and the seas surrounding it. We enjoyed using Google Earth and atlases to locate the seas and countries.

In Science we continued our work on animals and their habitats and went on a walk in the woodland area looking for microhabitats. We discovered several and found what sorts of creatures lived in them and described the habitats. We talked about why that habitat was suitable for those creatures and compared them to other habitats which wouldn't be suitable.

We have been ordering and comparing numbers in Maths and looking at greater than, less than and equal to signs and placing these between numbers and calculations. Keep practising these at home.

This week in Grammar we continued to learn about the different types of sentences and we had to say whether a sentence was a statement, command, exclamation or question and put the correct punctuation. We then moved on to making singular nouns into plural by using the correct suffix.

Next week in Topic we will be naming the 5 oceans and 7 continents of the world and locating them on a map.



### **YEAR 3 NEWS.... SUPER SEURATS**

This week in Literacy we have been learning to use inverted commas to demarcate speech. We wrote conversations between Horrid Henry and Perfect Peter. In Maths we have been learning about place value of numbers to 1000.

We started our new topic on World War II this week and we found out the reasons why the war started, and countries involved. We also started our new Science topic and investigated different food groups. We are lucky to have Team Activ working with us this half term in PE to teach us some gymnastics. This means that our PE lessons will be on Mondays and Wednesdays for the next five weeks.



### **YEAR 4 NEWS.... PERFECT PICASSO**

A busy first week back. In Maths we have started to learn about measuring, we have been converting between centimeters, millimeters and meters. We have found this quite tricky and will be revisiting this in the next few weeks. We have also tested our timetable knowledge, lots of children did really well but we still need to continue working on them at home to make sure we can recall them really fast. Every week we will be tested to see if we can beat our score. We have a new class author, Cressida Cowell, who wrote the 'How to train a dragon' series. We have enjoyed the first two chapters and have produced some fantastic descriptive writing of the dragon nursery. We have also started our new topic all about World War II this week, we have found out why the war started and talked about the Blitz producing some eye-catching art work for our class display.

Children will continue to go swimming every Monday (last lesson 29<sup>th</sup> January) and will also be taking part in some cricket sessions on Thursday afternoons, please ensure children bring PE kits.



### **YEAR 5 NEWS.... BRILLIANT BANKSY**

A great week back in Year 5. We have recapped addition and subtraction missing number problems which we have found quite tricky. Next week, we will recap multiplication and division. In Literacy, we have written a biography of our class author Louis Sachar, these will be written up for our class display next week.

In PE we have practised benchball in preparation for Tuesdays competition. In

Topic we have started our new topic of World War I and in Science we have looked at balanced and in-balanced forces. We have also been busy researching different places of worship for each religion. Next week sees the start of our new reading initiative so please fill in your child's passport and ensure they bring it into school so that we can make sure they are moved on our classroom chart. Please don't forget to write this in their reading diaries as well, thank you!



### **YEAR 6 NEWS .... LIBERAL LOWRY**

A great first week back for Year 6. The children have come back with great determination and enthusiasm which is just what we want to see in the build up to SATs. I will be holding a 20 minute SATs Q&A session for parents next Tuesday after school and it would be great to see as many parents as possible attend.

In Maths we have worked on converting between units and solving associated problems whilst in Literacy we have looked at Sci-fi stories – we have tried writing own too! Please can we request you keep any boxes and model making materials for next week please (we will be building sci-fi inspired models).

Keep encouraging your children to attend boosters – it makes a difference!

## NSPCC/O2 free online safety workshop for parents and carers

9am Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018  
At School

We would like to invite all parents, carers or family members to a free **online safety workshop** at Ladywood Primary School at 9am on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018. The content covered in the workshops is aimed at adults. Parents with children are advised to arrange childcare if possible. The hour-long workshop will help parents, carers and other adults understand their child's online world, build confidence to have those important conversations that can help keep children safe online and help you know where to go for help and advice.

**Don't miss out on this great opportunity. RSVP as soon as possible by letting a member of the office staff know that you would like to attend.**

# Lady Wood

## Stakeholder Consultation Event

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 3.20-6pm.**

*Lady Wood and nearby West Haigh Wood are lovely woods within easy walking distance of Grimethorpe.*

The Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership is working with Barnsley Council, Oak Forest Schools and other partners to deliver community events in the woods and plan future woodland management to protect and help preserve the site.

We are seeking your views about how the wood should be managed to make sure that it stays special & continues to be valued as a community asset into the future.

All welcome. **FREE** children's activities will be delivered by Oak Forest School and refreshments will be provided, please join us at:

Ladywood Primary School, Nancy Road, Grimethorpe, S72 7JX.

Can't make it? Then please email your views & thoughts to [Gordon.haycock@haycockandjav.co.uk](mailto:Gordon.haycock@haycockandjav.co.uk)

**Enjoy your woods in 2018!**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### FUTURE EVENTS

- 16.01.18 Y5/6 benchball competition
- 26.01.18 Dearne Valley partnership event
- 31.01.18 NSPCC online safety event
- 12.02.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
- 19.02.18 School re-opens
- 23.03.18 Last day of Spring term
- 26.03.18 School closed for 2 weeks for Easter Holidays
- 09.04.18 School re-opens
- 11.04.18 Robinwood Residential
- 16.04.18 Y3 swimming lessons start
- 03.05.18 Polling day – Nursery & Reception closed
- 07.05.18 May Day bank holiday – school closed
- 28.05.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
- 04.06.18 School re-opens
- 20.07.18 Last day of Summer term for pupils
- 23.07.18 Inset day – school closed
- 24.07.18 Summer holiday starts

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