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WELCOME

SCHOOL AWARDS

🔑 This week special mentions were awarded to:

Reception: Willow, Charlie

Year 1: Alfie, Lily-Sue

Year 2: Marcus, Kuba

Year 3: Nathan, Jaden

Year 4: Kyle, Ian

Year 5: Jessica, Lexie

Year 6: Casey, Maddison

🔑 This week 'Always' awards were given to:

Reception: Ronnie

Year 1: Saphyre-Rae

Year 2: Rio

Year 3: Jaycie

Year 4: Loui

Year 5: Nikola

Year 6: Arron

🔑 This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

Reception: Ellis

Year 1: Isabelle

Year 2: Joshua

Year 3: Emily

Year 4: Kayla

Year 5: Kenzie

Year 6: Casey

ATTENDANCE

During the year attendance is monitored daily and each week classes receive awards for their attendance in the previous week. Look out for a letter next week which explain more about how we record and manage attendance in school.

On Monday the attendance awards were presented to **Year 2, Year 3** and **Year 5** a great start WELL DONE!

Nursery AM 83.3%, Nursery PM 71.4%
Reception 98.9%,
Year 1 95.9%, Year 2 100%,
Year 3 100%, Year 4 96.6%,
Year 5 100%, Year 6 99.4%

Our new attendance target is **96%**



FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been making new friends and learning the different rules that we have in Nursery. We have also been looking at books by our class author, Eric Carle. We have read the 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' and have discussed the different things that the caterpillar ate.

Next week we will be starting our topic of 'Woodland Animals'. We will also be practising our counting skills and trying to count to 10 and beyond.

Next to our Nursery classroom is our 'WOW Wall'. Please can you bring in any work or achievements that your child does so that we can display all of the wonderful things that Nursery children have done outside of school. Next time that you are in our classroom, come have a look at our 'Reading Journey'. Every time we look at or read a book then we move one step along our journey. When we reach the island, then we get a certificate. How many certificates can your child collect before July?

RECEPTION

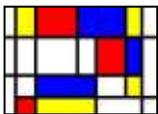
We have enjoyed exploring a range of stories by our class author Eric Cole. We particularly enjoyed the story 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and have created lots of wonderful models, pictures and writing based on the story. Please look at our work on the class author board in our classroom.

We have also introduced our reading rocket to the children. Children are encouraged to look at books and share stories with their friends. Every time a child is observed reading independently they move up the rocket. When a child reaches a planet they are presented with a reading certificate and a bookmark. They will then begin their next rocket challenge. Please encourage reading at home by asking your child to read the book in their book bag. Please write any comments in your child's reading diary. Please also comment on any other books your child has

read at home. If your child has a favourite story at home that they would like to share with their friends at school, then please bring these in (please make sure any books from home have your child's name in the front).

In Maths this week we have been using a range of counting songs to promote number recognition and counting skills. Well done Reception, a wonderful week with you all and lots of amazing work being done.

Next week in our Literacy and Topic lessons we will begin our topic on 'woodland' animals. In Maths we will be exploring 2D shapes.



YEAR 1 NEWS....

MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

This week we have been very busy ordering numbers and finding one more than and one less than a number. In literacy we have been learning about capital letters, full stops and asking questions using our book *Whatever Next!* to help us. We have been learning about Harvest Festival, please come and look at our lovely work on display in the cloakroom area. Team Activ came to school to work with us in PE, we had a lovely time improving our ball skills, especially controlling the ball around our body. In science we have been learning about which parts of our bodies have senses and what they are.

Next week we will be counting and ordering numbers in twos, fives and tens. In Literacy we will be writing our own stories based on ideas from 'Whatever Next!'. We will be learning more about our senses in our science sessions. Team Activ will be back in school with us further developing our ball learning skills.



YEAR 2 NEWS....

JACKSON POLLOCK

This week in Maths we have been learning to read and write numbers in digits and words. We are now getting really good at writing and spelling our numbers and we can't wait to practise at home so that we don't forget them. In Literacy we continued to practise nouns and moved

onto adjectives, writing some amazing noun phrases about animals.

Our Science unit is all about animals, including humans. We matched animals with their babies and noticed that some babies do not look like their parents. We talked about how babies grow into adults and we prepared some amazing questions to ask our visitor all about her unborn baby. We were so surprised to hear some of the answers to our questions!

Next week in Literacy we will be doing a big write showing off our new learning by using lots of adjectives to describe.



YEAR 3 NEWS....

SUPER SEURATS

This week Year 3 have been working very hard re-telling folktales from India. We heard the stories of The Tiger Child and Rama and Sita. In Maths we found out about comparing and ordering numbers and how to round to the nearest 10 or 100. We started to look at our new topic about Ancient Egypt from a history perspective. We found out about the structure of Egyptian society. Next week we will be learning about addition in Maths and will continue looking at stories from India in Literacy.



YEAR 4 NEWS....

PERFECT PICASSO

A super second week for Year 4. We have continued to read the Iron Man. It would be great if children could read similar stories at home as we have learnt lots of new words as well as really enjoyed the story. In Literacy we have been looking at newspaper articles, discussing their features, audience and purpose. We have all planned and written our own Iron Man inspired newspaper article. The children thought of some really interesting headlines and included lots of details and quotes from the witnesses; they will be displayed in our classroom soon so please pop in and have a look. We have started learning about circuits and conductors in Science, we had lots of fun investigating how circuits work; check out the website for some photos.

In Topic we have written reports about the Egyptian gods and goddesses and started some art for our Ancient Egypt display.

Can I remind parents that swimming is every Monday and children need to bring their kits, £3 contribution and remove any jewellery.

Homework has been given out today and it is essential children complete each piece, read at home and practice their timetables. This will really help your child to progress and achieve.

READING AT LADYWOOD



YEAR 5 NEWS.... BRILLIANT BANKSY

Another great week in Year 5 where we have built on our knowledge of place value to sequence numbers. Next week we will move on to rounding to the nearest 10, 100, 1,000 and 10,000. In Literacy we have looked at different adverbials and tried to remember that we can use a comma to show a fronted adverbial. Next week we will continue to write our biographies, looking at different grammar features in writing. We have also started looking at both Science and topic this week focussing on planet Earth and the different continents of the world. In PE this week we have focussed on ball skills and passing a ball in different ways.

Can everyone please remember to listen to children read and make sure you ask questions from the guidance sheets handed out. Then also please make sure the school diaries are filled in and brought into school. Thank you for all your help it really makes a difference to your child's learning.



YEAR 6 NEWS LIBERAL LOWRY

The children have worked exceptionally hard this week on their writing about our class author Michael Morpurgo. In Maths we have worked on rounding and written methods for addition and subtraction. Your children will need to have another PE kits in school on Tuesday and Friday please. Next week our maths focus will be written methods (multiplication) and in Literacy we will be working on retrieving information from fiction and non-fiction writing. Well done everyone – keep up the good work. Please take time to look on the school website for photos for your children's work in class as these are regularly updated. Thanks for your continued support.

Reading has always been a key priority at Ladywood. This year we aim to raise the spotlight on reading even more. Reading is essential for a child's success in all areas and it is therefore crucial for children to develop a love of books and reading. Reading at home regularly with an adult is a key factor to success in this area. There are many ways that parents can support reading development at home. For example, asking questions about a book will help your child think more deeply about what they are reading. This week your child will be bringing home sample questions that can be asked to promote understanding of stories. Your child will also be bringing home some 'top tips' on how to support reading at home.

Happy reading everyone!

TOAST

As many of you know, we provide toast for all our children when they arrive each morning. The cost of providing this is constantly increasing; we have not and do not intend to charge for this but would like to remind all parents that any donations towards the cost of providing toast for children are always very much appreciated.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Thank you to everyone who has returned their pupil contact and consent forms. If you have not yet returned the forms for your child/ren, please ensure that you do this as soon as possible so that we can ensure that the information we hold about you is accurate and up to date.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FUTURE EVENTS

18.09.17 School photos
05.10.17 Y3/4 Multi-skills competition
06.10.17 Y1/2 Multi-skills competition
12.10.17 Y5/6 Girls football competition
13.10.17 Y5/6 Boys football competition
20.10.17 Y1/2 Hoopball competition
25.10.17 Y6 Crucial Crew visit
25.10.17 Y3 Egypt workshop @ Cooper Gallery
26.10.17 Y4 Egypt workshop @ Cooper Gallery
30.10.17 School closed all week – half term
Holiday
06.11.17 School re-opens
15.11.17 Y3/4 Dodgeball competition
24.11.17 Y5 Sportshall athletics competition
29.11.17 Y6 Sportshall athletics competition
01.12.17 Y1/2 Cricket competition
22.12.17 Last day of autumn term
25.12.17 School closed for 2 weeks for
Christmas holidays
08.01.18 School re-opens
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
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

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our clubs for this half term are now well underway. There has been a little confusion about the start & finish times for each club so another copy of the timetable is below

Monday	KS1 Ball Games 3pm to 3.45pm
Tuesday	KS1 Hoopball 3pm to 4.15pm KS2 Boys Football 3pm to 4pm KS2 Ball Games 3pm to 3.45pm
Wednesday	KS2 Girls Football 3pm to 4pm KS1/2 Lego Club 3pm to 3.45pm
Thursday	KS1/2 Colouring 3pm to 3.45pm KS2 Netball 3pm to 4.15pm