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WELCOME

SCHOOL AWARDS

🔑 This week special mentions were awarded to:

Reception: Harriet, Jessica

Year 1: Evie, Brodie

Year 2: Warren, Liliana

Year 3: Alex, Millie

Year 4: Alfie, Sandra

Year 5: Amy, Ebony

Year 6: Wilf, Alfie

🔑 This week 'Always' awards were given to:

Reception: Leila

Year 1: Alfie

Year 2: Ethan

Year 3: Ebony

Year 4: Bladen

Year 5: Kenzie

Year 6: Casey

🔑 This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

Reception: Sophie

Year 1: Emily

Year 2: Henley

Year 3: Beckford

Year 4: Eli

Year 5: Harvey

Year 6: Arron

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 1** WELL DONE!

Nursery AM 94.9%, Nursery PM 90%

Reception 95.7%,

Year 1 98.3%, Year 2 94%,

Year 3 94.7%, Year 4 97.2%,

Year 5 96.2%, Year 6 97.8%

Our attendance target is **96%**



FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been reading the book 'Everybody's Welcome' and have been talking about the different woodland animals in the story. We have also had our first PE lessons in the hall.

Next week we will be continuing our topic of woodland animals and will be practising our counting and beginning to recognise numbers.

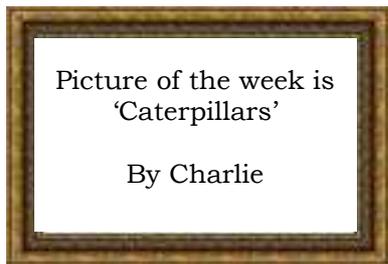
Next to our Nursery classroom is our 'WOW Wall'. Please can you bring in any work or achievements that your child does so that we can display all of the wonderful things that Nursery children have done outside of school. Please allow your child to bring in any items or achievements that they would like to talk about to the rest of the class. However, please remember that toys are not allowed in Nursery.

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 made a super start to our topic on the woodlands. We have enjoyed lots of super stories about woodlands animals. We have been creating our own pictures and models. We have been applying our phonic knowledge when writing our own labels to accompany our pictures. Please have a look at our amazing work on our woodlands display board. In our Maths lessons we have been naming 2D shapes. We have been using mathematical vocabulary to discuss their properties. We have been noticing shapes in our environment and have been using shapes to create pictures and models. An enormous well done for all the reading that is taking place at school and at home. The majority of our children are reading every night at home and thank you to all our parents for writing helpful comments in the reading diary. A lot of our children are developing a love of books

at school and are moving speedily up the reading rocket. Next week we will be continuing our topic on the woodlands. In our Maths we will be recognising and ordering numbers.

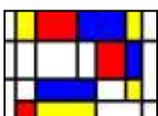


RECEPTION LUNCHTIMES

We are delighted with how well all our children have settled in to the lunchtime routine. Our children are taken to the dining room at 12 o'clock by Reception staff. We have 2 lunchtime assistants for our class who are always ready to greet the children promptly at 12 o'clock. The children have the dining room to themselves (and all lunchtime staff) until 12:15 when key stage 1 pupils arrive. Our children remain in the dining room until 12:30 when they are escorted back up to the EYFS unit and then enjoy a lovely playtime in our outdoor area. Our lunchtime staff organise super games to play and our children love to play with all our outdoor equipment. Our children have 30 minutes in the dining room to eat their lunch. If however after this time children with packed lunches haven't finished eating and wish to finish their packed lunch they are encouraged to do this up at the unit.

We feel very lucky to have two lunchtime supervisors for our class. Our supervisors communicate every day with us about how our children have been. We understand that having lunch at school is a new experience for both children and parents and we wish to make this a positive experience for all.

I hope this information about our lunchtime routine has helped to alleviate any concerns or queries. If you do have any questions, please speak to a member of our team.



YEAR 1 NEWS....

MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

We've had another successful and busy week learning lots! In Literacy we have been planning how to write a story, looking at how to add detail to our setting and writing a beginning, middle and end. In Maths we've had fun counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We really enjoyed counting with coins and pairs of socks!

We have been using our senses in Science to see, touch, hear, smell and taste different things. Touching the jelly with a blindfold on was quite funny! We've done lots of reading and have been practising our sounds – ue, aw, wh, ph and ew. Following on from learning about Mondrian last week we have learnt about another artist this week; 'Rothko' and we have been mixing primary colours to make secondary colours just like he did.

Next week in Literacy we will be looking at capital letters and making sure that all our sentences start with a capital letter. We will also be looking at words that are tricky to write and adding 'ed' to words. In Maths we will be doing lots of measuring; length, height and weight and in Science we will be continuing with our work on senses.



YEAR 2 NEWS....

JACKSON POLLOCK

In Literacy this week we wrote some fantastic descriptions of animals ready to write our stories next week. The focus in Maths this week has been measuring. We have been comparing different measurements using the greater than, less than and equals sign and we were amazing, showing fantastic understanding. In science we were stranded on a desert island and we had to think of what we needed to survive. We discussed all the things that would make us happy but understood that the only thing that would keep us alive would be food, water and something to keep us warm. Some of us wrote some amazing letters to our family to show off their learning. Topic was such fun because we got to mix secondary colours just like our new artist Mark Rothko. We are really enjoying being artists.

Next week in topic we will be creating a colour field painting in the style of Mark Rothko.



YEAR 3 NEWS....

SUPER SEURATS

This week in Maths we have been learning about addition by using our knowledge of place value. In Literacy we have been writing our own versions of the Indian folktale 'The Tiger Child'. We had fun in PE learning more steps in the Virginia Reel country dance routine. In topic we have been learning about the Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt and painted our own Tuten Khamun's death mask. Next week we will be finding out about the Egyptian version of Cinderella!



YEAR 4 NEWS....
PERFECT PICASSO

This week we have been solving lots of puzzles and problems in Maths, we have been working hard to develop our reasoning skills. In Literacy we have been learning about expanded noun phrases; we spent some time recapping what nouns, verbs, adjectives and prepositions are. In Big Write we wrote a description of the seaside using what we had learnt. We moved on to looking at the difference between mains and battery power during Science. Mrs Nippers introduced our RE focus for this half term which is 'Wisdom' and on Wednesday the children read 'Jonah and the Whale' and discussed the lesson in the story. Well done to everyone who has read at home and completed their homework – Keep it up! Can I remind everyone that reading diaries need to be returned every day and Maths homework should be handed in each Monday.



YEAR 5 NEWS....
BRILLIANT BANKSY

Another great week in Year 5 where we have concentrated on rounding in Maths and different clause types in Literacy. In Science, we recapped the life cycles of different animals we know. In Music we have been playing and singing 'We Will Rock You' using the boom whackers! Next week, we will be writing up our biographies and moving on to addition and subtraction in Maths. In Topic next week we will be researching different volcanoes around the world and planning a report that we will write in Literacy. Well done to everyone with their reading at home, it is very pleasing to see your comments and feedback on your child's progress in their diaries.



YEAR 6 NEWS
LIBERAL LOWRY

Year 6 have worked extremely hard this week. The children have focused on written methods for multiplication and associated problem solving. In Literacy we have focused on verb tenses and our retrieval skills in both non-fiction and fiction writing. In our topic we have continued our interest in Vesuvius and its destruction of the city of Pompeii. Next week we will focus on written methods for division and associated problems in Maths whilst in Literacy we will look at verb tenses (again!) and writing newspaper reports. Please check the website for pictures of the amazing volcanoes we have made as part of our topic work.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please ensure that all photo orders are returned to school by **Friday 29th September** at the latest. Orders will be collected at the beginning of the following week to try and ensure that photos are received back in school before we break up for the half term holiday.

BOOK BAGS

For anyone who has tried to buy a book bag recently and been told that we haven't received our order yet, I am pleased to confirm that bags are now back in stock. If you do need to buy a replacement bag (£2.50each), please call at the school office.

MACMILLAN FUNDRAISER



We will again be holding a fundraising coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care. The School Council would like to ask for donations of cakes and buns to be brought into school to sell on **Friday 29th September**.

As in previous years each class will have a time slot (see below) when their parents/carers are invited to join them for our coffee morning. There will also be competitions for everyone to take part in on the day.

9:30am – 9:50am	Year 1 & Reception
9:50am – 10:10am	Year 2
10:10am – 10:30am	Year 3
10:30am – 10:50am	Year 4
10:50am – 11:10am	Year 5
11:10am – 11:30am	Year 6

Foundation Stage (Nursery) will host their coffee morning in the Early Years unit at 11.30am for parents of morning children and at 2.30pm for parents of afternoon children.

As part of our event this year we also have a **bring-along-a-book** theme and children are welcome to bring a book/comic from home to share with you whilst you enjoy a drink and some cake together! Children are also asked to come to school wearing green (no additional donation required). Any unsold cakes will be on sale to children during Friday morning's play time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FUTURE EVENTS

29.09.17 Macmillan Coffee Morning
29.09.17 Last day for photo orders
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
20.10.17 INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
23.10.17 INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
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 Autumn term clubs running up to and including Thursday 26th October are:

Monday	KS1 Ball Games 3pm to 3.45pm
Tuesday	KS1 Hoopball 3pm to 3.45pm 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