



NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th January 2023

Headteacher Comment

This week our subject leaders have been visiting different classes to see the work going on in their curriculum areas. Mrs Jennings has been busy looking at standards in maths. She has been watching lessons, talking to the children and looking at books. We have also focussed on science, history, design technology, Spanish and PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education). It has been great to see all the children working hard and engaging so enthusiastically in their learning. All children are trying really hard to catch up on any parts of the curriculum they have missed.

This week our EYFS children have also enjoyed their Chinese New Year workshop where they were able to play musical instruments, dance to music and be involved in the dragon show. We have many more trips and visits planned for the coming weeks so please make sure you are keeping an eye on MCAS for more information. These visits give our children the unique opportunity to learn valuable skills and insights from professionals through interactive demonstrations and discussions in real life situations.

Mrs Higginson



Katy Higginson
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Reading Open Morning

On Tuesday 26th January we will be having a Reading Open Morning. Parents are invited into school at 9am to spend time in your child's classroom taking part in various activities.



Attendance

Week Ending
20.01.2023

R	91.8
Y1	96.2
Y2	93
Y3	94.3
Y4	93.2
Y5	93.9
Y6	99.2
Whole School (weekly)	94.4
Whole School (Sept to date)	91.5
Target 97%	

Chinese New Year Workshop

This week the EYFS children had a fantastic time taking part in their Chinese New Year Workshop. They created their own lion and ribbon dances and explored playing a range of musical instruments including the big Chinese drum. The whole school came to watch the 'Dancing Dragon' parade and enjoyed watching the teachers take part! To increase their understanding of Chinese New Year traditions the EYFS children have explored a wide range of activities including making dragon puppets, masks and lanterns; Chinese Restaurant role play, re-enacting 'The Great Race' story and cooking and tasting Chinese food using chopsticks.



Dates for your Diary

Thursday 26th January – Reading Open Morning

Tuesday 31st January – Year 5 – Broadoak Poetry Workshop

Friday 3rd February – TT Rockstars Day

Thursday 9th February – Y4 & Y5 Allegro Dance at Broadoak



Year 1

Year one enjoyed being nautical engineers on Wednesday! They tested materials that would float and sink and were able to group them based on their results.



Phonics

Miss Carr's and Miss Bowers's phonics groups joined forces today to review their taught sounds by playing the stepping stone game! Children had to make sure they didn't fall into the lava. Lots of fun was had by all.



Year 6

In Year 6 we have been learning to read musical notation and play the notes on the glockenspiel. They have become extremely proficient on the glockenspiel and should be congratulated for all their hard work.



Stars of the Week



Nursery = Louella Farr & Reggie Higginbottom
Rec = Joseph Christie & Hope Harris
Y1 = Lily Martin & Oliver Ford Harden
Y2 = Mis Kenyon & Ollie Greenhalgh
Y3 = Max Williams & RJ Sandiford
Y4 = Jack Millington & Callum Higgs
Y5 = Jacob Lavin & Dami Ogunyemi
Y6 = Siobhan Bullock & Heidi Lennon



Year 5



Our new topic in Spanish this term is 'La Ropa' and as I'm sure you can guess from the picture, we are learning about clothes.

We had lots of fun wearing the clothes in the suitcase and naming them in Spanish.



Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about the important work of archaeologists in history. We then had a go ourselves by excavating chocolate chip cookies! We learnt that it takes a lot of patience and delicacy!



We need donations!

Next half term, Upcycling Fashion Club will be creating their own fashion fusions using pre-loved clothing. We are looking for old clothing donations from all ages and sizes to transform into exciting new garments. The best creations from the club will be show cased in a fashion show.

Please ensure that all clothing is washed before donating.

