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Newsletter 07/06/2024

Children who demonstrate an acceptable standard of behaviour are awarded points. To be awarded a point the children would have to be in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing. This week 396 children have been GREEN all week.



Vice Principal: Mrs S Ellis

WELL DONE!

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy week at Simpson's Lane. Reception and Year 3 had Stay and Read sessions which were really well-attended so thank you again for your continued support. The Year Sixes have certainly had a great time this week, enjoying their Alton Towers trip tremendously on Thursday although Mr Colley seemed to enjoy it even more! They've also had a hygiene talk and been given some 'freebies' which they were very excited about! On Friday, the Year 6 children created invitations for next Tuesday's afternoon tea that we hope to see you at.

Upcoming Dates

Tue 11/06- Y6 Afternoon Tea with Parents 2pm

Thur 13/06-3SM Stay and Read

Fri 14/06- Non-Uniform Bring Chocolate/Sweets

Mon 17/06- Y4 Trip to Mother Shipton's Cave

Tue 18/06- Nursery Stay and Read 8.30am and 12.15pm

Wed 19/06- 2SG Stay and Read

Wed 19/06- KS1 Sports Day

Thur 20/06- 3ED Stay and Read

Thur 20/06- Reception Class Trip to Cannon Hall Farm

Wed 26/06- 1DP Stay and Read

Wed 26/06- 1.30pm Year 3 and 4 Sports Day

Thur 27/06-6SW Stay and Read

Thur 27/06- 1.30pm Year 5 and 6 Sports Day

Fri 28/06- Nursery Mud Day

Tue 02/07- Reception Class Sports Day

Wed 03/07- 1KR Stay and Read

Wed 03/07-11am-2.30pm Nursery Seaside Day

Wed 03/07- Summer Fayre

Thur 04/07- Year 6 Transition Day to De Lacy

Thur 04/07- Y3 Trip to Cannon Hall Farm

Tue 09/07- Nursery Sports Day

Wed 10/07- RRS Stay and Read

Wed 10/07- Y2 Trip to Leeds Industrial Museum

Thur 11/07-5CT-Stay and Read

Thur 11/07- 9am Year 6 Rock Guitar Concert

Tue 16/07- Olympic Day

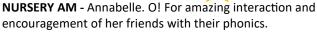
Tue 16/07- French Themed Lunch Day

Wed 17/07- French Themed Day

Fri 19/07- Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Fri 19/07- Break Up for Summer!

Stars of the week



NURSERY PM - Issac. B! For joining in with group and talking about our learning.

RRS- Coby for excellent behaviour and fantastic handwriting!

RJD- Layton for amazing reading and a positive attitude towards learning.

1DP- Toby for his positive attitude in maths.

1KR- Olivia for working so hard in Maths this week and even

completing extra work at home!

2KW/LH- Korbyn for his consistently amazing attitude to

2SG- Ife for consistent green behaviour and showing an expertise in digital coding.

3ED- Leeland for trying so hard in every subject and being an overall superstar.

3SM- Blake for showing a great attitude towards his work this week and showing fantastic green behaviour.

4MM- Oliver for trying his best all week.

4KR- Alexis for working hard and a massive improvement through the year.

5LR- Joseph D. He has tried so hard with his learning, and it has really showed. He got full marks on his arithmetic paper, and he is soaring with grammar and punctuation after working so hard for the last term.

5CT- Ryley G for showing determination in all his work and showing great attitude towards his learning.

6SW- Ava for her hard work in the library organising books

6SC- Amelia S - for her hard work in the library organising books for next year.

















Nursery

This week Nursery have been recreating their own versions of the butterfly lifecycle. We have recalled all the major events in the cycle. The children have been so excited to show off their learning. We are very proud teachers. In our writing we have been focusing on practicing the letters of our names.

In Phonics this week we have been learning the sound 't' the children have been amazing once again with their application of the sound around the environment and in their writing. The children have been impressing Mrs Sale with their new knowledge, we are getting closer to going to Reception class and we are getting excited about new adventures.



Reception

What a great first week back at school. This week the children enjoyed their new text 'Handa's Surprise' and our playground was visited by some wild animals. This has caused much excitement in the unit and the children will be writing about their visitors for the next few weeks. In Maths we are learning about the composition of shapes and we used scissors to cut shapes into halves and quarters. Next week we will be sharing and doubling groups of objects. In Phonics we are learning some new sounds in preparation for Year One. Our new words this week are **oh** and **their**.





1DP

This week we have started our new T4W unit of work. It is a portal story based around the story of 'Grandads Island'. The children came across a fairy door in the shared area which sparked lots of excitement. Where was the door leading to? The children wrote down their predictions and shared them with the class. Over the next couple of weeks, the children will be creating their own portal story.

In maths we have moved on to place value to 100 and have begun partitioning numbers into tens and ones and investigating multiples of 10.



1KR

1KR have had an excellent first week back, they have enjoyed learning about waterproof and non-waterproof materials in science and have completed a range of experiments. In Maths we have been learning about numbers 50-100 and in writing we have explored adjectives and adverbs and even discovered a magic door in our shared area! Next week we will be starting our new writing 'portal stories' linking to Grandads Island.

We will be learning about Kenya over the next 6 weeks in our REC learning which we are very excited about.

2KW/LH

Year 2 have had a wonderful first week back, we have continued our topic about Victorians in art and history. We have started to write a short story in writing and in French we was introduced to different mini beasts.

2SG

It has been a great first week back for Year 2. We have settled back into the rhythm of things really well. This week they have had lots of fun coding their own animations on scratch by coding different characters. The class have also really enjoyed our samba drumming lessons this week learning to swap between different rhythms.

3ED

In writing, we have started our new unit on 'character flaws'. We have been generating different verbs to show that a character is greedy - our favourite words include demolish and devour.

In maths, we have been learning to accurately draw and measure lines. We've made sure to use rulers so that our work stays neat and precise.

This week, we learnt that the Ancient Egyptians built their pyramids to point at the Gods. They did this so that their bodies could be transported to Anubis – the God of death and the afterlife! We had so much fun researching him.



3SM

This week the children continued with the class text, Charlotte's Web. They have been able to identify character flaws of Templeton and have been introduced to Charlotte's very unique talent.

In PE, the children began their basketball unit and worked on their attacking dribbling skills as well as learning the rules for basketball.

In PSHE, the children have been discussed what babies need to survive and how parents, in particular mothers, play a huge part in helping the growth of their children.



4MM

This week we have been really busy learning our times tables and we have started our MTC tests. We have worked so hard all year for this, and we have done well so far. We have enjoyed starting all our new topics this week, we have started learning about North America in Geography.



4KR

Our first week back and already working hard, this week in maths we have worked hard towards our MTC, dedicating lots of time to make sure we practise even at home! We have even started sitting our MTC test and we have been doing so well! In reading, we have been exploring our novel of Harry Potter and answering some inference questions to understand what the author wanted the reader to feel. In writing we have been developing our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills while exploring a brand new text. In REC, this week we have begun to look at our new PE focus, which is rounders, we were able to go outside in the sunshine and practising under arm and over arm throwing, we then even got to play a game of rounders! In science, we have moved onto animals and their habitat we looked at the characteristics of animals and why we play them in a certain group. It has been a busy week for our first week



<u>5LR</u>

In Year 5, we have had a great first week back. We have started to look at showing character flaws in Writing. In Maths, we have been looking at negative numbers and conversions. In Music, we have been learning a new song - I spied a spy on guitar. Next week, we will be looking at percussion.

5CT

This week we have been continuing to build our knowledge throughout our subject units. In Maths, we have been looking at negative numbers and finding the difference between two numbers but using 0 to help us. In Reading, we have continued to explore Who Let the Gods Out by looking at different test-style questions and using freeze frames to understand character emotion. We have started a new unit in Writing of 'character flaws' which looks at the development of a character through a story. In RE, we continued looking at our unit of 'journey of life' and looked at humanist weddings and how they are unique to the couple who are getting married. We started our new French (MFL) unit which is 'Chez Moi - my house' which the children really enjoyed writing down and creating sentences in French. Hopefully we can continue this brilliant attitude into next week!

6SW and 6SC

What a great first week back for Year 6. We've produced a short piece of writing based on Harry Potter where we focussed on dialogue. We also spent a morning studying classification in readiness for our fieldwork next week. The highlight must have been Alton Towers though. The children behaved impeccably, and everyone had a great time! It'll be hard to top that in the coming weeks, but we'll do our best. Next week is our afternoon tea which parents and carers are invited to. last year the spread was fantastic, and everyone enjoyed the celebration! This year we have invited De Lacy Academy along to share in our success, so it'll be a great opportunity to ask any questions around transition too.











WEEKEND SPORT CHALLENGE

To do 100 push ups.

Take a video or picture of this and put it on X or Seesaw so we can show your teacher and class.

Simpson's Lane Academy Safeguarding Team

If you have any concerns about a child or member of staff, please contact one of our safeguarding team. Our safeguarding leads are –

Mr Colley (Head of Academy DSL)

Mrs Silburn (Well-being Lead and Deputy DSL)

Mrs Ellis (Vice Principal and Deputy DSL)

Miss Coopey (Assistant Principal and Deputy DSL)

Miss Simpson (Attendance Officer and Deputy DSL)