


## Newsletter 21/06/2024



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 **394** children have been GREEN all week.

WELL DONE!



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the Reception children have been on their first visit to Cannon Hall Farm. The children were absolutely brilliant and enjoyed seeing lots of different farm animals. Year 4 pupils also had their visit to Mother Shipton's Cave and were superb representatives for the academy.

A quick message to thank all of the parents and carers and family members who joined us for the Key Stage 1 Sport's Day. We will be keeping an eye on the weather forecast on the build up to the KS2 Sport's Days and will notify you if they are going ahead or need to be postponed.

### Upcoming Dates

Wed 26/06- 2KW/LH 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- 1DP Stay and Read  
Wed 03/07- Summer Fayre  
Wed 03/07- 11am-2.30pm Nursery Seaside Day  
Thur 04/07- Y3 Trip to Cannon Hall Farm  
Thur 04/07- 5LR Stay and Read  
Thur 04/07- Year 6 Transition Day to De Lacy  
Tue 09/07- Nursery Sports Day  
Wed 10/07- 1KR 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 AM** - Skylar. M! For joining in and helping retell the story to her group.

**NURSERY PM** - Gracie-Mae. F-A! For being so confident with trying new activities and encouraging others to have a go.

**RRS**- Kayos for amazing green behaviour on our school trip.

**RJD**- Sophie for a positive attitude towards her learning.

**1DP**- Jacob S for his amazing effort and resilience in writing.

**1KR**- Elyjah for his fantastic progress in writing.

**2KW/LH**- Jacob L for his hard work and resilience in improving handwriting.

**2SG**- Ren M-A. For an incredible week of green behaviour, giving 100% in all his lessons and really proving that is it ready for Year 3.

**3ED**- Coby for always being green!

**3SM**- Teddy for showing a great attitude towards his work and continuing to show fantastic green behaviour.

**4MM**- Robert W for super hard work during all lessons.

**4KR**- Hunter for a massive improvement in confidence and working hard.

**5LR**- Emelia P for scoring full marks on her arithmetic test which shows just how much she has progressed from the start of the year.

**5CT**- Bailey S for participating massively in his learning.

**6SW**- Kian for his efforts in Writing this week.

**6SC**- Ruby for a great piece of writing.

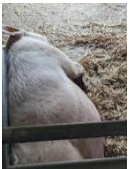
### Nursery

This week Nursery have been retelling the story of Bear Hunt in our own ways! Some of the children have used the small world resources to imagine the family going on the journey. Some of the children have been using the maps outdoors to go on their own bear hunt around the provision. We have created our story map and have added actions. We have also decided that the bear in the story is not a scary bear. We think that he might want to be our friend and come and play with us, he is kind really, we just can't understand what he is saying because he doesn't talk like us. In Phonics this week we have been learning the sound 'i'. We have enjoyed being inventors and making our bright ideas come to light. The children have been excited about experiments and testing their theories. We have also started our practicing for Sports Day and the children who are moving through to Reception class in September have had their first visits into the environment.



### Reception

This week has been extremely busy for Reception! On Tuesday we worked together to make a fruit salad from Handa's Surprise. We tried avocado, pineapple, mango and banana and then wrote about our favourite fruit. On Wednesday we were visited by a dentist who told us how to keep our teeth healthy. We told her how we have been celebrating National Smile Month and we asked her questions about her job. On Thursday we went on our school trip to Cannon Hall Farm, where we met some pretty amazing farm animals. We all enjoyed an ice lolly and we even had time to play in one of the play areas.



### 1DP

We've had a very active week in Year 1. On Wednesday all the children took part in our yearly sports day event. The children did absolutely amazing, giving there all and enjoying every second. It was lovely to see. On Thursday we had an artist come into school and work with the children, showing them how to draw and paint a symmetrical butterfly, each one unique, just like us. To finish the week off we took part in World Music Day and sang songs, played musical instruments and danced until we could dance no more. What a week!



### 1KR

What an exciting week we have had! On Wednesday 1KR blew us away with their superb effort in sports day. They all showed excellent resilience and team spirit. On Thursday morning we had the pleasure of working with an artist creating some fantastic pieces. This week in Maths we have been comparing numbers to 100 and problem solving. In writing we have completed our shared write ahead of our independent write next week! Ask us to retell the story of 'Grandads Island' at home. Well done 1KR.



## 2KW/LH

This week Year 2 have begun a Maths topic on mass, the children have enjoyed learning we can weigh in different units e.g. grams and kilograms and have read scales in grams (g). In Writing the children have completed a hard write based around their rags to riches tale, originating from the model text, Pirate Tom. Why not ask your child what their main character is called, what problems they are going to face and how these will be resolved in the story. In Reading we have compared Victorian school days to modern school days - the children have loved share their ideas about similarities and differences between the two. In curriculum we have continued to learn about Victorian transport - we found out that Knottingley train station was built in the Victorian era! Thank you to all of the parents who came to see the children on sports day, as always the children and ourselves really appreciated the support 😊.



## 2SG

It has been a good week in Year 2 this week. We have really enjoyed our computing work, where we continue to create our own animations using ScratchJr. The class have also really enjoyed our science where we have learnt about food chains and how they are import for animals, we have also enjoyed getting messy with the oil pastels when making secondary colours as well as tints and shades.



## 3ED

In writing, we were lucky enough to have King Midas visit our classroom! We were able to ask him lots of questions about his character flaw.

In maths, we have been learning to identify and draw different 2D shapes. We've tried hard to make sure that we always use a ruler.

In DT, we have been learning about foods which contain yeast and gluten. We tasted different types of bread and grouped them on their taste and texture.



## 3SM

This week the children have written their own shared write of a Character Flaw text. The children were able to use their 'Description Toolkit' to help them. We have had characters such as evil headteachers, greedy superheroes and scary princesses. In DT, the children got to eat a range of different breads including, croissants, bread sticks, wholemeal bread and baguettes. The children then compared the taste and appearance of these delicious carbohydrates. In PE, the children continued to practise and develop their basketball skills and were able to demonstrate how to protect the ball when dribbling with it.





#### 4MM

This week year 4 have been on a trip to Mother Shipton's Cave. We explored the surroundings and the site of Mother Shipton. We did lots of fun activities and visited the museum where we saw things that had been turned to stone by the magical water! In science we have done an experiment using water and oil to replicate the oil spills in Mexico and how this can damage animal wildlife. Great week year 4!



#### 4KR

This week we have been looking at radial questioning in reading, which has helped us to find evidence for our answers. We have looked at lines of symmetry in maths and begun our shared write looking at our dialogue toolkit.

At the beginning of this week, we attended our class trip to Mother Shipton's cave in Knaresborough. We learnt the history of Mother Shipton who was believed to be a witch and a prophetess, she even predicted the Great Fire of London!



#### 5LR

. This week in 5LR, we have had a Roman Day workshop. The children built on their knowledge from our previous History topic, and we observed many Roman artefacts. We also signed contracts for the Roman Army, discussed what life would be like for the Roman soldiers and made clay pots. On Wednesday, we had a fire safety talk with firemen. In Maths, we have been looking at volume and in History we have been learning about the Suffragettes.



#### 5CT

It has been a busy week for the Year 5s! At the beginning of the week, we have a History workshop come to visit us at school for a full day of exciting facts and activities about the Romans. The children could show off their previous knowledge learnt in their Romans unit and build on that from a Roman expert. In addition to this, we had the fire station come and visit us to give a talk about fire safety and learning about things that we could do to prevent fires or from fires starting. They did very well with listening to all this information. Looking at Writing, we have been writing our shared write about our character flaw stories which they child did struggle with to begin with but with some guidance have produced good descriptive pieces. In Maths, we have continued our journey of looking at converting different measurements and the children have been using their knowledge from the practical lesson we did last week to help with their key conversions. In Reading, we have continued to read the Who Let the Gods Out book and have been predicting the next events and endings of the book as we draw closer to the end! The children have done so well with looking at the different test-style questions and adding more information to their inference answers!

### 6SW

This week we have been super busy! We started our week off with forest schools where we learnt the skills for archery. It was fantastic! In our PE sessions, we practised our serves in Tennis and batting in Rounders. Some children helped out at the KS1 sports day and were a superb help. In Writing, we wrote reviews for restaurants - some good and others awful! In Geography, we learnt about mangroves and where they are found across the world and why.



### 6SC

This week we've had a few visitors in to Year 6. On Wednesday we had a visit from the fire service where we learned all about fire safety in the home. Then on Thursday, we spent the afternoon with an artist, developing and applying our skills to create some artwork alongside the rest of school. Earlier in the week, we also had Forest School. This week we looked at archery as back in pre-historic times, archery would be a key skill needed for survival. We practised our stance and aim to try and achieve a bull's eye. One of our funniest lessons of the week must be writing where the children created their own restaurant experiences in preparation for writing a one-star review. I don't think many of these children will be going into the hospitality business with their plate-throwing skills!



### WEEKEND SPORT CHALLENGE

***To do 75 burpees.***

*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)