

Newsletter 09/10/2024



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

WELL DONE!



This week we have had some exciting visitors into our school. In Year 3, we had a Stone Age workshop which the children loved. We also had the Police into school to deliver a Knife Crime workshop to Year 5 and 6 children and help them understand the importance of keeping themselves safe. Our Year 4 children also visited the Community Shop to continue their 'Melting Pot' project that have been taking part in for the last few weeks.

Today we also launched our exciting new Delta Stars initiative. Please keep an eye out for additional information being sent out regarding this. Please ask your children about it also.

In the last week of half term, it will be our Halloween Disco for year 1-6. If you would like to buy a ticket for your child speak to the staff in the main office.

Upcoming Dates

Wed 16/10- RJD Stay and Read

Thur 17/10- 3SM Stay and Read

Tues 22/10 - EYFS Halloween Stay and Create (8.40)

Nursery Halloween Stay and Create (8.30)

Nursery Halloween Stay and Create (12.15)

Wed 23/10- 2LR Stay and Read

Thur 24/10- 3ED Stay and Read

Thur 24/10 - EYFS and Nursery Halloween Party (All Day)

Fri 25/10- Break Up

Mon 04/11- Inset Day

Tue 05/11- Back to School

Wed 13/11 -Autumn term SEND coffee afternoon: Large Sports Hall (1:15-2:45). The focus of this session will be around Needs in children with autism, sensory needs and anxiety. The afternoon will be run by Wakefield inclusion Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Support Service (WISENDSS).

Stars of the week

NURSERY AM- Archie. J! For engaging so well with phonics and being a shining example to others in his group.

NURSERY PM - April. W! For joining in with her peers building her confidence and having a good go at everything this week.

RRS- Bertie for always having a wonderful smile on his face and for helping others.

RJD- Victoria for fantastic work in Phonics and Talk 4 Writing lessons.

1DP- Jacob W for showing great teamwork skills in our PE sessions.

1KR- Eliza for being resilient during maths and working out difficult part whole models!

2KW/SE- Rico for being resilient and trying his best in all his lessons.

2LR- Bella N. She has wowed me with her hot write this week and she is always keen to help.

3ED- Darcey. For always being a kind friend and a great role model to others

3SM- Nikita has settled in extremely well to 3SM and has shown great work and behaviour all week.

4MM- Teddy L for having a great week

4NR- Leeland for star for his green learning behaviour and his growing confidence, Well done Leeland!

5KR- Jemimah - for beautiful handwriting and working hard in maths.

5CT- Logan R - for showing determination in improving his work presentation and handwriting.

6SW - Amina for her determination to correct errors in Maths.

6SC- Sophia - her eagerness to learn and excellent contributions in class



Nursery

This week in Nursery had a special delivery from the zoo! Miss Gardom asked the zoo to send her a pet to cuddle and look after at her house. The zoo got a little bit confused to start with she can't fit an elephant at her house! Finally, they sent her a lovely puppy! Our new Talk for Writing story is 'Dear Zoo'. The children have been so excited to see all the animals and talk about if they are good pets or not. They each had a turn and opening the boxes and seeing what animal the zoo had sent.



Reception

This week the children have completed their hot task and have rewritten The Little Red Hen. We have also looked at the ingredients she used to make bread. We are going to be baking lots of bread next week.

In Maths the children have been exploring pattern and looking at how we can use 2 colours to create beautiful repeating patterns.

We use paint scrapers and paint rollers to recreate some artwork by Bridget Riley and we talked about how her art made us feel.

In Phonics we are learning these sounds: h b f ff
Our harder to read and spell words are: as his

Please remember to write in Reading Records when you read with your child. Reading 3 times will earn a raffle ticket for our draw at the end of term. Well done to those super stars that have already received a sticker from Miss Coopey!



1DP

The children are really enjoying our PE sessions this half term where they are learning all about 'Team Games' and what attributes they need to be a leader and a team player. The children have been developing their communication and listening skills to work as part of team to achieve an end goal and have had the chance to show their leadership skills in guiding their team in head-to-head challenges. It has been great to see individual children shine through in these sessions. We definitely have some budding sports enthusiasts in our class. Well done everyone!



1KR

This week 1KR have spent time independently writing their new innovated stories. They have worked hard including capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. In Maths we have had the challenge of learning how to use number sentences and the symbols + and =. On Tuesday we used different materials to collage and layer. In PE we worked in pairs and teams to complete a range of challenges.



2KW/LH

. In Year 2 this week we have been learning about bonds to 100 in Maths. In writing, we have read a postcard from Sunny the meerkat and have been learning how to write in the past tense as a part of our recount writing cycle. In Art we drew an outline of the Shard in preparation for making or photocollages next week. Also, we have been learning about how to be safe when using Information Technology in our computing lessons



2LR

In Year 2 this week, we have been experimenting in Science by stretching and bending different Materials. In Geography, we have looked at why the King is so important. In Maths, we have moved on to our Addition and Subtraction subject and we will continue this for the rest of the half term. In Reading, we have been creating freeze frames to help us understand the thoughts of characters.

3ED

We had a Stone Age Day this week with an archaeologist. We explored artefacts, hunted woolly mammoths and built our own stone circles. It was so much fun.

In reading, we have been looking at a non-fiction text about pollution. This helped us understand the context of our class book, This Morning I Met a Whale, better.

We prepared and cooked our own fruit and vegetable couscous. We used the bridge and claw method to chop olives, tomatoes, cucumber and celery. It was delicious.



3SM

This week has been jam-packed with a variety of activities. On Tuesday, the children had a very special Stone Age visitor. He was able to show the children what life was like as a Stone Age person and the children were able to show off their knowledge of the Stone Age era.

In writing, the children have managed to produce a shared write for an explanation text. The children have picked a topic they are passionate about and have described it in detail.

This week the children also took part in Classroom Kitchen where they developed their cutting skills by using the bridge and claw technique.



4MM

This week we have been busy cooking at the community shop, we have made pasta bake with lots of vegetables! We have also been exploring how to shoot in netball which we have been very good at!



4NR

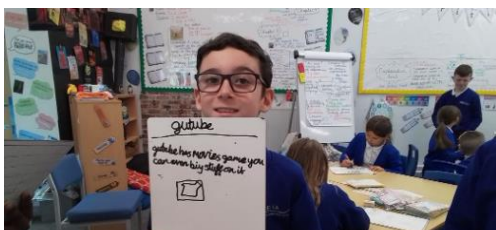
Week 6 has been a busy one, we checked on our experiment in the science lab seeing which toothpaste protected our teeth(egg) the best. In Dt we made our final product a shell structured Viking long ship and we proudly displayed them in our classroom. In Edward Tulane we have met some incredible new characters showing Edward the meaning of true love. Well done year 4 get some rest ready for Monday!



5KR

This week, in reading we have looked at how dialogue is used to progress our class text (Street Child) along. We looked at the characters and how they interact with one another and how their speech foreshadows what is going to happen later in the novel. In maths, this week we have moved onto a new topic of multiplication and division. We have looked at common multiples of numbers and the factors of these so far. In writing, we have been creating our shared write of our explanation text, focusing on giving facts and linking our paragraphs together with linking phrases.

In REC, this week we have begun closing off some of our topics, discussing what life was actually like during the Roman civilisation. This week, we also had a visit from the police, they discussed with us knife crime and made us aware of the different weapons they see on the street and how dangerous they can be.



5CT

This week we have had a visit from the local policemen about our safety, specially looking at knife crime. The children listened really well and asked lots of different questions about their job. Also, in forest school the children were getting creative with the outdoors and nature, building different things to make a moveable object. We have continued our journey of reading 'Street Child' and looking deeply into different characters and their intentions and characteristics. We finished our Roman history unit this week, with the children making presentations about the impact of different Roman ideas and objects on today's Britain. They really showed off their knowledge and enjoyed being creative with their presentations. The children did really well with their swimming this week and are showing progress through listening and determination.



6SW

This week we have been busy from visitors to strange stars appearing around school. In our music session, we looked at how pop music has progressed through the years; we didn't recognise many until the 80s and 90s, where we had a sing along to back street boys. In RE, we looked at how the Hindu faith represent their gods and how they are depicted in images. The fire department came in to discuss the risks of fireworks and how we can keep ourselves safe. Our week ended with Mr Colley announcing Delta Stars which explained the stars we saw all around school! We're all excited to start earning our Delta Star cards! Over the past couple of weeks, year 6 have been completing some practise SATs tests and have worked so hard! They should all be extremely proud of themselves.



6SC

This week has seen us begin our new Writing unit: a discussion text. The children have really enjoyed the various oracy and drama activities we've completed - the debate as to whether the tibicena should be eradicated was excellent. We've also started a new topic in Geography too. The rest of the autumn term will be spent studying Ernest Shackleton's voyage to Antarctica in order to answer the unit question: Is discovering the world worth the side effects? A real highlight of the week was the visit from the fire service on Wednesday. We discussed the dangers of fire and fireworks and how hoax calls can have tragic consequences.



WEEKEND SPORT CHALLENGE

To complete 30 push-ups.

If you upload pictures or videos of yourself doing this to 'X' or 'Seesaw' you will be awarded a green point from your teacher.

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)