

Newsletter 25/10/2024



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

WELL DONE!



Firstly I want to thank you all for your support during this very busy half term and the children have made so much progress in their new classes already. I can't wait to see all the fantastic learning that will be taking place when we come back too! We had a truly fantastic evening enjoying the Halloween Disco and the children wore some fantastic outfits. Just a reminder that the children do not return until Tuesday 5th November as we have an INSET Day on the Monday for staff training.

We also sent a letter out this week to notify all parents that we would be having a refurbishment of the EYFS outdoor area so that area of the grounds will be closed off to all pupils and parents.

Upcoming Dates

Mon 04/11- Inset Day

Tue 05/11- Back to School

Thurs 7/11-3ED Stay & Read

Mon 11/11- School Photos

Wed 13/11 – Autumn term SEND coffee afternoon: Large sports Hall 1:15 until 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).

Thurs 14/11-6SW Stay & Read

Weds 20/11- Parents Evening

Thurs 21/11-6SC Stay & Read

Thurs 28/11-5CT Stay & Read

Thurs 5/12-5KR Stay & Read

12/12 - 4NR Stay & Read

Stars of the week

NURSERY AM & PM - All the children! For an amazing first half term in Nursery! For trying our best and being a great team!

RRS- Jaxon for impressive jumping and balancing skills in P.E.

RJD-Reinhard for working really hard across all areas of his learning.

1DP- All 1DP for such an amazing first half term!

1KR- Kayos for putting a smile on his teachers faces every day this week!

2KW/LH- Poppy for always being green and ready to learn in every lesson.

2LR- Rueben! He has wowed me with all his efforts this week in every lesson and his recount was amazing! He has also been a super tidier on the playground. Well done, Rueben.

3ED- Seb. For trying so hard to work independently in our arithmetic sessions (and smashing it!)

3SM- Sienna has shown impeccable green behaviour this week and a great attitude towards her learning.

4MM- Amelia for fantastic improvement in her reading

4NR- Sam for always contributing to class discussions and sharing his amazing ideas! Well done Sam you are a great role model!

5KR- Ashvidha - for a massive improvement this half term, in reading, maths and writing!

5CT Kendal T - for sharing her ideas with the class and putting her hand up more throughout the day.

6SW - Alex N for his fantastic attitude to Maths and enthusiasm to develop his own learning.

6SC- Olivia D for her discussion text

Nursery

This week Nursery have made their very own story creations with Miss Gardom. They have been able to innovate the story independently and have made creative representations to illustrate their stories on paper. The children have been very proud of their work and have really been glowing with confidence in our Talk for Writing lessons. We cant wait to see what the next story adventures will be.

This week we have been exploring Harvest alongside our interest in Autumn. The children have really loved our Rhyme of the Week, Dingle Dangle Scarecrow! We have been scarecrows everywhere! We learned that the scarecrows help the farmer to look after the food because 'the birds will eat them'. We have learned about which of our favourite foods are grown at a farm and which of them are made in a shop. We made a Dingle Dangle Scarecrow to look after our pumpkins whilst we are away **next** week.



Reception

This week the children have enjoyed some spooky Halloween activities including potion-mixing and spell making. We had a wonderful craft morning on Tuesday, and we were so happy to have the grown-ups in the classroom to get creative with us. We ended the week with a Halloween party where we all put on our spooky costumes and danced together in the hall.

Our focus in Maths this week has been numbers to 3. We practised taking away one and adding one more. We also played matching games with subitising number cards.

Well done to all Reception children for a fantastic first half term at school. Have a lovely week off and see you in November.



1DP

What a great first half term we have had in 1DP. The children have continued to shine each and every day.

Over the course of the half term the children have learned all about character building, adjectives, story language, bossy verbs, time connectives and instruction writing. In maths they have learned about place value to 20, number bonds to 10, how 2 parts make a whole and addition. In reading the children have learned about the author Shirley Hughes and looked at lots of different ways she has brought the story of Dogger to life. Alongside this the children have created collages, learnt to greet their peers in French, developed their team building skills in PE and sang their little hearts out in Music. What an amazing first half term. Well done Year 1
I am super proud of you.

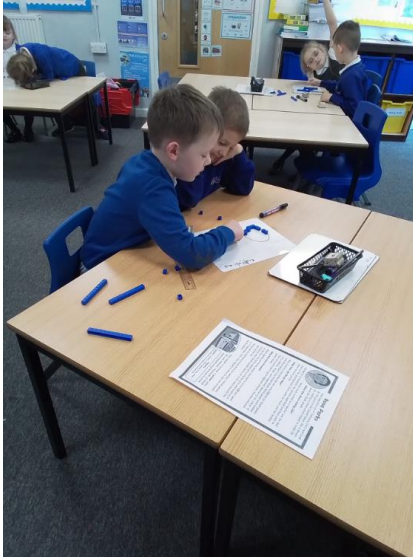


1KR

1KR what a brilliant first half term in year 1 we have had. You have all settled in and worked so hard in your first 8 weeks of the year. We have had fun learning all about our school and maps this week in geography and have learned how to stay safe online in computing. We have also used our knowledge on instructions to write a set on 'how to trap a wolf' we even set a trap in the school grounds! Let's hope we catch him during half term. Have a fantastic break year 1 and I can't wait for see you for more fun in Autumn 2.

2KW

This week year 2 have been learning how to subtract a 1-digit number from a 2-digit number, we have used the base 10 to help us with exchanging tens. They have also completed their photocollages of the shard using David Hockney's work as their inspiration. In Science we have been learning about how we can change the shape of materials using different pushing and pulling forces.



2LR

What a fabulous last week have had in 2LR! Everyone looked amazing at the Halloween Disco and all the children were so excited to go. In Maths, we have been adding two 2-digit numbers with an exchange. In Writing, we have written a recount about a personal experience. The children tried their best to use question marks and exclamation marks. In Art, we created a photo collage of The Shard in groups and they look amazing! In Geography, we have been looking at London landmarks and researching questions on them.

3ED

What a fun half-term! We have finished our Stone Age cave art pieces this week – we used graphite pencils, charcoal and soft pastels. Although it was a messy process, the final pieces look amazing.

We have been working hard to master addition and subtraction in our maths lessons. We've remembered that mistakes help us learn and it's ok to have another go at those tricky maths questions.

In reading, we have learnt all about the illustrator of 'This Morning I Met a Whale', Christian Birmingham. We looked at how Christian makes inferences on what he has read to draw the matching illustrations.



3SM

The last week of term has been a busy one for the children. They started it off with a 'Healthy Gums and Teeth' workshop provided by the NHS. The children were told how to keep their gums and teeth healthy and clean.

In maths, the children have finished their 'Addition and Subtraction' unit and can now subtract across 10s and 100s as well as use inverse operations.

In art, the children have produced their final piece Stone Age cave art where they used soft pastel and charcoal to demonstrate contouring and layering.



4MM

We have had a very busy last week of half term! We are upset to have finished the community shop project, but we are so grateful to have been given the opportunity for this as we have had so much fun! We have also been busy exploring the digestive system in science.



4NR

Another busy week for 4NR! The highlight was our science experiment where we recreated the digestive system, in reading we read more of Edward Tulane the children are really enjoying following his journey. We are getting very good with the ukelele and enjoying learning new songs. Well done Y4! Enjoy your half term get some rest, and I can't wait to see you all next half term!



5KR

Newsletter: This week we have been super busy! In reading, we have looked at formal and informal voice and the jobs that Victorian children would've had. In maths, we have looked at multiplication.

Multiplying 2 digit by 2 digit and gradually multiplying bigger numbers together. In writing, we have finished writing our hot writes on our explanation texts and looked at some work for the next half term including spelling and grammar rules and dialogue.



5CT

This week the children have had their last forest school session of Year 5, they enjoyed some activities and games, ending it with a lovely hot chocolate! Needed after the weather they had! We continued to read our core text of 'Street Child' and the children have enjoyed meeting new character within the book and giving their opinion on the type of character it is and how Jim might be feeling towards each character. We will continue this book into next half term. We have been exploring more about Sikhs and their worship place, some were excited about visiting it in person after the half term. We completed our unit of Time and Place in Geography; the children were amazed by the different time zones in the world and how many different time zones there are. They remembered key vocabulary brilliantly. Well done for an amazing first half term 5CT!

6SW

As part of Black History Month, we have looked into the life and achievements of Nelson Mandela culminating in an art project using the techniques we have learnt in previous years from hatching with pencils to paint and oil pastel. Our reading sessions have focussed on developing our vocabulary and making inferences about characters. In Geography, we looked at the link between longitude lines and time zones. Fractions took over our Maths lessons and we stormed through adding and subtracting proper and mixed fractions. This week has been extremely busy for our councillors who have been organising the Halloween Disco and the playground equipment sheds.

6SC

Well, we've finally reached half term! It's been a long 8 weeks, but the kids have been fab and their effort and enthusiasm for learning has been just as evident as week 1. In Geography this week, we've been learning about climate zones and time zones. In PSHE, we finished our unit by reminding ourselves of British Values and the importance of these in school and society. Why not test your child and see if they can remember all 5? The most exciting news of is that another two children earned their first Delta Stars cards. Well done to Sophia and Charlie C!



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)