


Newsletter 22/11/2024



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

WELL DONE!



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would firstly like to say a massive thank you to all parents and carers that attended Parent's Evening this week. We were overwhelmed with joy for how many came to discuss their children's learning. I would also like to thank everyone for their patience and understanding whilst our new EYFS Outdoor area has been developed. I am pleased to say that it will be open on Monday so drop off and pick ups will return to the usual times and place at classroom doors. The area looks amazing, and we can't wait for you and the children to see it.


Kind regards,

Upcoming Dates

--Thurs 28/11-Hot Chocolate Day
 --Fri 29/11-Non-Uniform Bring an Unopened Sweets/Chocolates (NO NUTS)
 --Thurs 28/11-5CT Stay & Read
 --Wed 4/12-Elf Day £1 Donation to Charity
 --Thurs 5/12-5KR Stay & Read
 --Fri 6/12-Non-Uniform Bring an Unopened Bottle (No alcohol)
 --Tue 10/12-KS1 Xmas Concert 2-3pm
 --Wed 11/12-Recpetion Xmas Concert 9-10am
 --Wed 11/12-Christmas Fayre


--Thurs 12/12 - 4NR Stay & Read
 --Mon 16/12-Nursery Xmas Crafts 8.30-9.30am and 12.15-1.15pm
 --Tue 17/12-Year 3 and 4 Xmas Concert 2-2.30pm
 --Wed 18/12-Christmas Jumper Day £1 Donation to Charity
 --Wed 18/12-Christmas Dinner Day
 --Wed 18/12-Year 5 and 6 Xmas Concert 2-3pm
 --Wed 18/12-Bedtime Stories 3.45-4.30pm (Nursery to Year2)
 --Fri 20/12-Break Up for Christmas
 --Mon 6/01-Back to School

Stars of the week



NURSERY AM- Landon. S! For engaging in all our activities and being a bright shining star in our learning!

NURSERY PM - Oakley. A! For trying his best to talk out his feelings this week and encourage others to be green!




RRS- Annabelle for exceptional reading and fabulous sentence writing.

RJD- Shay for making fantastic progress in Phonics lessons.

1DP- Maja for giving 100% effort in all lessons.

1KR- Koda for having a fantastic week in school and trying hard in everything.



2KW/SE- Samanta for doing a brilliant boxing up in writing.

2LR- Aubree for since coming back after the half term, she has been a superstar. She is constantly trying to impress me and Miss Winn and her efforts have not gone unnoticed. Keep up the good work!

3ED- Robin for being green all week and being a good example to others.

3SM- Darcey for a super week and showing great work in her times tables and group work.

4MM- Bobby V for trying hard all week.




4NR- Margo for always showing kindness and a great attitude to her learning!

5KR- Philip for helping his friends and doing well in swimming!

5CT- Alfie G for showing growing confidence in his own ability within his work and sharing ideas and thoughts.

6SW- Joseph for his writing.

6SC- Joey for a really focussed week of work.

Nursery

This week has been World Nursery Rhyme week! The children have been exploring a range of different rhymes. They were all so excited to hear which one and the beginning of each day. Together we have made currant buns in the playdough and sold them at the bakery on Monday. On Tuesday Incy Wincy was climbing the walls of the classroom. On Wednesday the children demonstrated their knowledge of farms by collecting all the farm animals and putting them into their houses. The big ship sank to the bottom of the sea on Thursday and on Friday the children were all quiet as mice as the teddies went to bed singing Twinkle Twinkle little star. All the children have got involved and enjoyed spending time exploring the wide range of rhymes. By the end of the week in our phonics activity some of the children could recognise the rhyming pairs!



Reception

This week the children have enjoyed exploring the cold weather. They spent a final week in the KS1 playground and are very excited to play in their new outdoor area next week.

In Writing we retold the story 'Whatever Next' and used pictures to sequence the events of the story. We began our innovation and changed our main characters and began exploring story settings.

In Maths we are continuing to investigate numbers to 5 and focussed on adding 'one more.'

Our sounds this week: **sh th ng nk**



1DP

This half term the children's PE lessons are being delivered by Elite Sports with a focus on gymnastics. In the lessons the children have been learning how to travel and move around safely as well as learning key shapes: tuck, star and pike. The children have also been introduced to apparatus and have been given opportunities to move along the apparatus, jump in a position learnt and land safely. The children are really enjoying the unit of work and are eager to explore more gymnastic concepts throughout the rest of the half term.



1KR

This week 1KR have enjoyed innovating their Gruffalo child stories! We have changed the main characters and the settings in our stories to make them better. In History we are still enjoying learning about transport through time. We have learned all about boats and bikes from the past and have compared them to the present. In French we have learned 10 colours, ask us all about them!



2KW/SE

This week Year 2 have celebrated inter faith week and have taken part in activities across KS1 that have taught them about different religions. They enjoyed spending time with Year 1 and Year 3 children and also having the chance to learn with different adults across KS1. In DT this week the children have been learning about joining materials. They tested some joining materials on the net of a cube and decided which ones were strong and also looked good when the net was put together.



2LR

In Year 2 this week, we have been looking at designing our own monsters. We have used expanded noun phrases, adverbs and verbs to describe what they look like and how they move. Yesterday, we explored three different religions during interfaith week. The children loved moving around the classrooms and getting do different activities in mixed year groups.



3ED

We enjoyed our Inter Faith Week celebrations on Thursday. We each moved into different classrooms to complete different activities about different religions and beliefs.

We have been looking at the bus stop method in our maths lessons – we have been trying hard to show our working out in a neat and understandable way.

In writing, we have started planning our own 'defeating a monster' tale. Some of our vicious characters include trolls, goblins and dragons. Come and have a read if you want to find out more about these creatures.



3SM

This week, the children continued to develop their outdoor skills with another Forest School session. They recreated Stone Age art during on the floor and developed their understanding of Stone Age hunting.

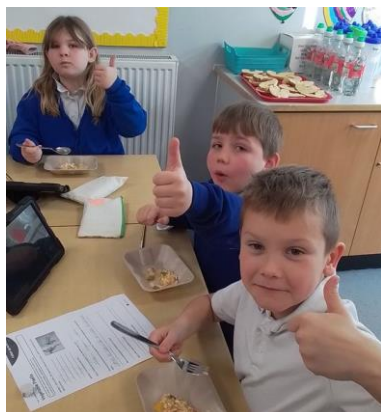
In RE, the children took part in Inter Faith week where they developed their understanding of different religions and the importance of showing respect to each religion.

In Science, the children discussed the importance of having muscles in the body and were able to unjumble the structure of an arm, bicep and tricep.



4MM

This week 4MM have been busy cooking, we have made Vegetable Paella for the first time, we used our chopping skills and created this delicious dish! We can't wait to make it for our grownups at home! We have also started practising our Christmas concert song!



4NR

4NR have had another busy week in classroom kitchen we made a delicious vegetable paella, we had our third visit to the community shop and make mac n cheese and chicken soup - which were very delicious! In Art we learnt about George Segal and made our own wire sculptures.



5KR

This week we begun to write our shared write in writing where we have created our very own suspense text. We have begun a new topic in maths of fractions where we have started to find equivalent fractions of non-unit and unit fractions. In reading, we have continued with our class text of Street Child, we have looked at how authors describe a character's inner thoughts.

In curriculum, we started our science topic where we discussed living things and focused on humans, we created our very own life cycle of a human. In French, we recapped our knowledge of Ice-Creams and how to order an ice-cream in France. We also had Inter-faith afternoon where we did a carousel of activities revolving around different religions. We were able to see other people's faiths and do an activity revolving around this.



5CT

This week the children have done well with having changes to the timetable, we had an interesting visitor come in on Tuesday to talk about the health risks to smoking and vaping, also we explored what the trading standard officers do and the interesting things they have found! The children had lots of different questions to ask. We had inter-faith afternoon on Thursday, where we explored different religions and completed different activities in different classes. The children did fantastic with this and moving around the school smoothly. In our learning, we continued to explore Jim's story in our book 'Street Child'; the children really want Jim to escape from Grimy Nick! We have started our new maths unit of fractions, which will continue until Christmas. The children have shown great determination in their learning in maths due to different method being used and linking the methods to their times tables knowledge. We had a great first Art lesson on Friday afternoon, where we linked our knowledge of patterns into the potter Exekias' work. Another lovely week, well done 5CT.

6SW

On Thursday afternoon, we had an interfaith afternoon where we learnt about different religions to develop our understanding of the world around us and the people we share it with. We LOVED creating mandalas and mala beads (even though it was quite fiddly).

We learnt all about research stations including the positives and negatives they have; we discussed how they help us understand the world and the environmental impact they have. Our Maths

lessons this week were all based around percentages. We worked out how to find a percentage then a percentage increase or decrease. In PE, we continued our unit of gymnastics where we looked at further poses and rolls.



6SC

This week we took part in Inter-Faith Afternoon where we visited different classes learning about various religions. We had the opportunity to make mala beads, designed our own Christian churches and created our own mandalas. In Geography, we continued studying Antarctica and looked at how the biome poses challenges for those on expeditions, like Shackleton. We also explored the advantages and disadvantages of research stations. In Maths we've been calculating - percentage increase and decrease in preparation for Black Friday so get your child practising working out your discounts at home!



WEEKEND SPORT CHALLENGE

To complete 100 sit 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)