Friday 17th June 2022

Message from the head:

The weather this week has been glorious (if not a little too hot for my Scottish blood!). Although the weather looks to be cooling over the weekend it's important to ensure that the children come in with water bottles, hats and sun cream on at this time of year. Please let us know if there are any issues with you being able to do this.

We've had our STEAM week this week—STEAM stands for Science-Technology-Engineering-Arts-Maths. The theme the children have been focusing on this week has been 'Fashion' with the designing and making of headwear and clothing. They celebrate the end this afternoon with a Fashion Show Catwalk, showing off their creative and design flair.

Thanks to all of you who managed to take a few minutes out to look and celebrate the fantastic home learning projects that Y2-Y6 had been working on over the last few weeks. As also the breadth of work and creativity on display was fantastic. A selection of the projects are shown on pages 7-10.

We have two parent events coming up here in school—both advertised to the right. Next week we have the open morning for Rec-Y3 and the following week there is a session for parents on a food co-operative that is being set up in the local community—I hope you are able to come along to both. I wish there was something in my local area like a food co-operative being set up as with a family of five and rising costs for everything I know how difficult it is at the moment and will only get worse. A food co-operative should help all of you.

In Wednesday's Community Notices Newsletter there was an item relating to free food vouchers for families in receipt of certain benefits. If you are entitled to these you should have received something directly from the council by the 20th June, which is Monday. If you don't and think you should, please see Wednesday's Community Notices Newsletter so that you know who to contact.

Finally, well done to the fabulous Year 4 children who wowed their parents with their class assembly today. Unfortunately I had a meeting so was unable to attend today and see them do it in full costumes but I was lucky enough to get a personal performance yesterday afternoon and enjoy singing along and tapping my feet to the amazing songs they performed. A very talented bunch!

Have a great weekend and see you all on Monday.

We look forward to the Summer Fair making a triumphant return this summer.

Please save the date—

Saturday 16th July

See poster on Page 2!



Reading Open Mornings Rec-Y3: Wednesday 22nd June 9.05-9.25am

Next week we are holding 'open mornings' for Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3. The focus will be on reading. We hope you will be able to come along—from 9.05am-9.25am.

Food Co-operative Parent Session Wednesday 29th June 9am

A food co-op is being set up running out of St Martin's Church locally. The organisers are keen to support the local community to being able to mitigate some of the effects of the rising cost of living, especially around food. A food co-op works by being able to buy food and household products in bulk and then passing on the savings to members who can save up to 40% off their weekly food costs. If you would like to learn more please do come along to the hall after drop-off on Wednesday 29th June. We think this is a great initiative for our local community but will only work with people joining. It has the potential to save you all significant money on your weekly shop. Please come along if you can.

Lunch Menu: 20th—24th June

Meat Free Monday

Roasted Veg or cheese & tomato pizza Green Beans & Red Cabbage Fruit & Yoghurt

Tuesday

Meat/Halal: Beef Lasa-

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Vegetarian: Veg &

Bean Enchiladas

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Wednesday

Meat/Halal: Cajun Spiced Chicken Vegetarian: Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Potatoes & Gravy Carrot & Broccoli Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Thursday

Meat/Halal: Chicken Sausage hotdogs Vegetarian: Vegan Plant Based Hot Dogs Potato Wedges Cabbage & Tomatoes Strawberry & Pear Cobbler with Custard

Friday

Meat/Halal: Fish fingers
Vegetarian: Vegan Fishless Fingers
Chips or Cous Cous Tomato Sauce
Baked Beans & Peas Yoghurt & Fruit

Available Daily

Freshly Cooked Jacket Potato Freshly Baked Bread

Please remember to let the office know if you want your child to change to or from school lunches so you are charged correctly

Punctuality Award



This week Year 3 were the champions with no lates—great effort! The last two weeks have been excellent, unfortunately a slight dip this week—mainly down to Year 1 and Year 5—both these classes had 10 or more. Year 2 came next highest with 7. All the other classes were better with no more than 4 each. The total fort he week was 38—up from 21 last week. Please lets have a renewed push next week again to get ALL children in on time. We really appreciate all the effort most of you make to get here on time. Remember, your child should be in class and ready at 9am—not coming in the gate then or after. Thank you.

Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 4 with 100% - amazing! Well done too to Reception, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5—all over our target of 96% this week. Overall for the year, at the moment we have 2 year groups above 96% for the year—Years 3 and 5. Years 2, 4 and 6 are all in the mid 95%s—so very close! We are at 95.5% for the whole school for the year. Please keep doing all you can to encourage attendance for the remainder of the summer term. Let's keep improving!



JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!







Well done to these children who have been chosen by their class teachers to be the 'Star of the Week' - Well done to all these children, and to all the rest who might not have been picked this week but could have been.





Reception

You have settled into Reception really well and are already forming strong friendships. We are enjoying your energy and positivity. Well done!



For putting in lots of effort even when there are difficulties and challenges - you keep giving your very best and we are so proud you, Lorel! Well done!















Year 2

For your brilliant focus this week. You are trying so hard with all your learning and I can see the evidence in the fab work you're doing. You are also so keen to help us out around the class. Keep up the great attitude, well done!



You've worked really well in Maths this week and have shown great reasoning skills! What a fantastic attitude to learning you've demonstrated!

Year 4

For your consistently positive attitude and hard work this week during our assembly rehearsals. Even when it was getting tricky, you kept a smile on your face. Well done!







Starof the Week







Year 5

For your brilliant writing in English this week. You selected vocabulary carefully - really thinking about the effect on the reader. It has been lovely to see you so engaged with your work and consistently working so hard. Well done!

Year 6

For your thoughtful contributions to our workshop and discussions at the Zoo. You showed maturity and enthusiasm. You were also great company, with your good humour and kindness.

Fleet Facts!

Well done to all these children who have passed their Fleet Facts test this week!

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Year 2: Robyn, Naz, Thaddeus, Denys

Times Tables Rock Stars of the Week!

Well done to these children who earned the most coins in their class on Times Tables Rock Stars this week!

Year 2: Alfie—1,700 coins!

Year 3: Okpe-41,702 coins!

Year 4: Hunter—46,121 coins!

Year 5: Ryan—9,830 coins!

Year 6: Gloria—232 coins!

The Calendar Art Competition for creating a school calendar at the end of the year is still on. Due to lockdowns over the last 2 years this popular annual event has not been possible so it's great to bring it back.

Children can use any art medium in their entries as long as it is A4 in size and they can enter as many times in a term as they want.

Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of winning entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2023 at the end of this year.

Entries should be handed in to the school office and should have the child's name and class on the back (in pencil) along with an indication of the person or event that inspired it.

This year the we are doing in all clastheme links in with the 'Lifting Limits' gender equality work ses and also with the racial equality work that runs throughout our curriculum. We are asking that the subject of the art be inspired by a historical figure—contemporary or older.

Think about GENDER EQUALITY - a man or woman who did something amazing and at the time, unusual or not the norm, for someone of their sex.

Think about RACIAL EQUALITY - someone again who was a trailblazer and didn't let their race, colour of their skin or religion stop them from doing something.

It could be someone we have talked about in assembly, or someone you have learnt about in class or even someone you have learnt about from your own reading or investigations.



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New Entries for Summer Term now being accepted...



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Amy Johnson

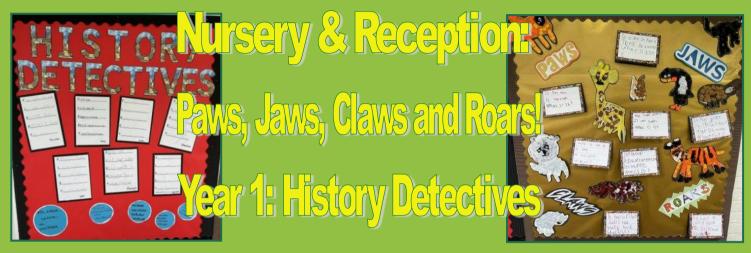








Summer Term Topics



Year 2: From Sea to Shore







Summer Term Home Learning Projects...













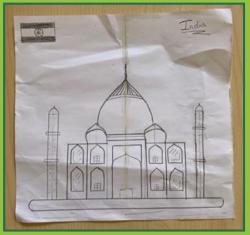








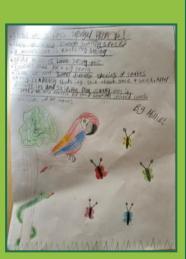
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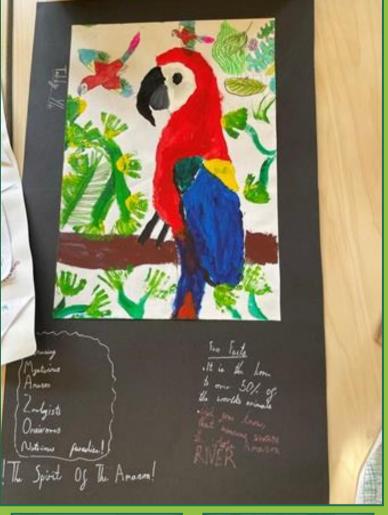




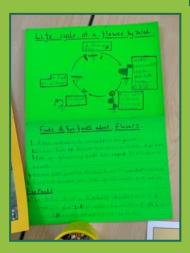




















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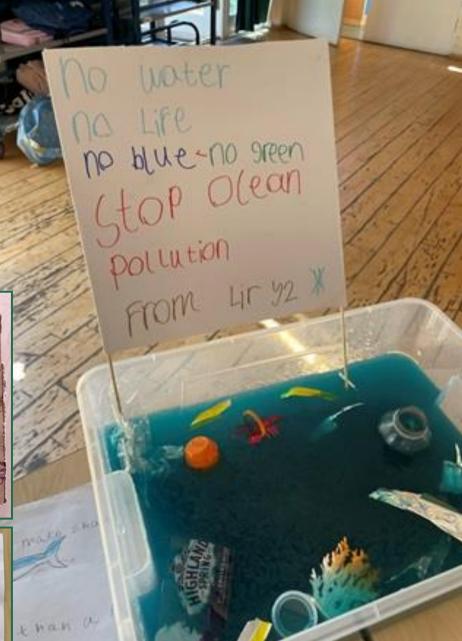
More Summer Term Home Learning Projects...















this week in Nursery...

Topic Paws, Jaws, Claws and Roars

Last forest school session the children had a fantastic time distributing the seed balls they had made and going on the hunt for mini-beasts and other creatures. This week's story has been 'Walking in the Jungle' and the children have enjoyed making their own version and choosing their favourite animals to paint. Good job Nursery.











This week the children have been working hard on their STEAM week preparation the theme this year is fashion and they used insects and birds as their inspiration to design, plan and make their headwear. They look amazing well done Reception!

This week in Year 1... Topic: History Detectives

This week in Year 1 the children enjoyed a science workshop with scientists from the Crick Institute. The science theme continued through this week—which is STEAM week—with the children designing headwear and outfits inspired by different weather instruments! We can't wait to see them in Friday afternoons STEAM Assembly Fashion Show!









The children really enjoyed their workshop with the scientists from the Crick institute this week. Among other things they investigated if the length of the femur bone predicted how far someone could jump! Year 3 also made the most of the sun this week during their session with Arsenal—they needed lots of water after their session! Well done Year 3.















This week in Year 3...

Topic: Plant Power

















Wednesday 15th June 2022

I can write a setting description.



Swiftly, the man leaped up and slowly looked around and saw the great kapok tree. In it was a long, scaly, stretchy boa constrictor swallowing a mouse whole. He smelt the disgusting decomposing corpse of a capybara trapped in a carnivorous plant. He heard ear piercing screams of the colourful toucans and the jade, scarlet red and bright yellow and deep green scarlet macaws gracefully flying around the tree, desperately scouting around the forest for tasty seeded fruit and delicious crickets.

He saw tall, slender mossy translucent trees with deep roots and extra extended branches hanging down from the canopy to the understory. He felt large amounts of hot, steamy and humid rainwater dripping on to him, splashing his face. Small rays of blinding, burning sunlight managed to come down from the large canopy of leaves evaporating the water on his face.



In their science workshop this week with the scientists from the Crick the children had a fantastic time investigating various scientific phenomena. For example, they considered the tricky question of 'Why do we have 2 ears and not just 1?' as well as investigating sound and vibration. They also worked on measures and circumference in designing their headgear for the STEAM week fashion show. In English they have been continuing their work on story of 'The Great Kapok Tree' writing their own setting descriptions of the rainforest. Of course, today was their class assembly too which they have been rehearsing for and we're sure you will agree was a huge success—we will have some pictures of that in next week's newsletter.





Please bear in mind that occasionally trips may be arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We also will often need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parent hub closer to the date of a trip for requests for help and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

- 20th June: Year 4 taking part in Camden Choir festival
- 21st June: Year 3 to Belsize Synagogue
- 22nd June: Rec-Y3 Classroom Open Session for parents— Reading 9.05-9.25am
- 23rd June: Year 2 Class Tea
- 23rd June: Y5 Cricket at St. Christopher's School
- 24th June: Year 5 to UCS for Climate Summit
- 24th June: Year 2 Class Assembly
- 27th June: Year 3 to Burgh House
- 28th June: Reception to the zoo
- 28th June: Year 6 to October Gal-
- 28th June: Year 4 to Kew Gardens 21st July: Year 6 BBQ @ 6pm
- 29th June: Year 3 & 4 to the Heath with St Christopher's School
- 29th June: Nursery to London Zoo
- 29th June: Y5 to Haverstock School
- 30th June: Year 2 to the seaside
- 30th June: Year 1 Class Tea

- 1st July: Year 1 Class Assembly
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- 7th July: Reception Class Tea
- 8th July: Sports Day on the Heath
- 13th July: Parent—Teacher drop in after school
- 14th July: Nursery Class Tea
- 15th July: Reception Summer **Heath Walk**
- 16th July: Summer Fair (Saturday)
- 18th July: Reception to Little Angel Theatre (rescheduled due to train/tube strikes)
- 19th July: Year 3 & 4 to Go Ape
- 21st July: Year 6 Leaver's Assembly @2pm
- 22nd July: Last day of school year-finish @ 2pm
- 1st September: INSET day school closed
- 2nd September: INSET day school closed
- 5th Sept: start of Academic Year 2022-23