



NEWSLETTER

15/09/23

Teamwork Day

The school council has collaborated diligently to enhance the quality of our playtimes, with a primary emphasis on teamwork. Today, every class participated in a collaborative activity. Reception and Year 6 teamed up in a friendly competition to construct the tallest tower, showcasing excellent communication and mutual support.

Year 3 engaged in team-based games. They formed groups of three, ensuring they held hands without breaking their links.

Later, in teams of five, they participated in a game where they collaborated to gather as many cones as they could. Subsequently, they used the collected cones to form 3 or 4 letter words.

Year 1 worked in teams in their maths lesson to order numbers as quickly as possible to earn points!



In Year 2, the class was divided into pairs for an engaging activity. In each pair, one student was blindfolded while the other could see and provide verbal guidance, but was not permitted to physically assist their partner. The challenge was to navigate a "minefield" of obstacles on the floor. The objective was for the blindfolded student to cross from one side of the hall to the other without making contact with any of the scattered cones. Should a cone be touched, the pair would begin again from the start. Through this activity, students enhanced their skills in planning, problem-solving, communication, and cooperation. They all really enjoyed it and want to do it again on Monday!



Let's Explore with Reception!



Last week, our enthusiastic Reception class kicked off their exciting new topic, "Let's Explore!" The young explorers have been on quite the adventure already. They've embarked on a comprehensive tour of the school, creatively crafted mazes for their marbles, collaboratively built cozy dens, had the pleasure of meeting their buddies, and delved into sensory exploration with various materials.

The enthusiasm is palpable, and we eagerly anticipate the continued adventures and discoveries that this topic will bring!

Year 1 Dives into Digital Creativity with Purple Mash

Year 1 recently had a blast in their inaugural computing lesson using Purple Mash. The students were introduced to the paint program, where they learned to craft their own images complete with backgrounds, shapes, and text. A special mention goes to Thomas, who showcased his digital artistry by creating a splendid picture of Ariel the mermaid using the iPad! We're looking forward to witnessing more of their digital masterpieces in the future.



Buddy Time: Year 6 Discovers More About Their Reception Friends

This week, during a special buddy time, our Year 6 students delved deeper into the lives of their Reception buddies. They uncovered fascinating details about their younger friends' favourite pastimes at home, their most-loved foods, and even their budding aspirations for future careers. The session was filled with excitement and curiosity, and it was evident that the children thoroughly enjoyed getting to know their new friends better.



A few reminders:

- Only healthy snacks are permitted at break times. Sweets, crisps and chocolate are not allowed and will be returned home.
- Jewellery is not to be worn for school. Earrings must be removed or covered for PE.
- Nail varnish is not permitted for wear in school.
- Children are not to use the Woodland Village before or after school.
- The staff car park (with the exception of the disabled parking bay) is for the sole use of staff. The carpark is not to be used as a thoroughfare.
- Please park with the safety of the children in mind and with consideration to all road users and residents. Do not pull in to drop off at our school entrance on the yellow lines.
- Dogs must not be brought onto school premises.
- Children require a clear, freshly filled water bottle daily in school.
- Please only send bags to school if it is necessary

Celebrations and Achievements

Year	Star of the Week	English	Maths	Word of the Week
Reception	Aria	Phonics star: Poppy		teamwork
Y1	Freddie			amphibian
Y2	George			digit
Y3	Katie			skeleton
Y4	Dexter			Grendel
Y5	Lacey			classification
Y6	Seb	100% AR - Rolandas		informal

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
26.09.23	European Languages Day
October	Black History Month
26.10.23	KS1 and Reception Halloween Disco (15:15-16:15)
26.10.23	KS2 Halloween Disco (16:30-17:30)

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Harris