

# HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



14<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## BUSY WEEK!

This week has been very busy for everyone! Lots of fantastic learning has been taking place across the school and planning for next year has also started taking place behind the scenes.

On Wednesday we had a visit from Tracey, our School Improvement Advisor from KCC. She spent the morning with Mrs Pollard and myself, looking at books and finding out about the provision in place for our pupils. She looked at pupils' books and commented on how well children had progressed since returning to school after the lockdown. She could see how hard staff have been working and noted the different types of learning on offer to pupils depending on their age and ability. Tracey also looked at our safeguarding arrangements for recruiting staff and was satisfied that we are completing all the necessary checks for all staff. It was a very positive visit!

We have been very kindly gifted a guitar by Mr and Mrs Finch, thank you so much! We are also looking for a second hand good quality upright piano for the school, so if anyone knows of a friend or relative who is looking to give their piano a loving new home, do please get in touch with the office.

Our guitar teacher Paul Churchward has some spaces left for lessons so if you are interested in your child taking up the guitar, please either get in touch with the office or contact him directly at churchward76@yahoo.co.uk

Lessons are also available for harp, violin, viola and piano from September so do get in touch if this is of interest.

## NEXT WEEK

Can I please ask you to check your child's uniform to ensure that it is indeed the correct uniform and also that it is named. There have been several pupils who have lost jumpers but they have not been labelled so they can't be returned to the correct person!

**On Thursday, there is a school census. The more children that actually have a school meal rather than packed lunch on this day, means more funding for the school. So can I please ask that all YR/Y1/Y2 pupils have a cooked lunch as well as all those KS2 pupils who are entitled to free school meals. There is a Pirate themed lunch and the options are Chicken Nuggets/Quorn Nuggets or Tomato pasta.**

Enjoy the weekend ☺

**TERM 5 ENDS ON 28<sup>th</sup> MAY**



**FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL**



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



## School News

<b>YR</b>	What a wonderful week! We have been doing lots of outside learning. We collected natural materials to weigh, we sorted them according to our own criteria and used words to describe them such as soft, rough, bumpy and spikey. We also looked at the artist Andy Goldsworthy and made some beautiful pictures using natural materials.
<b>Y1</b>	We have really enjoyed re-enacting our book 'The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon', then making our own mini books. We watched a tutorial by the illustrator of the book 'Alex T. Smith' and drew some amazing illustrations of our own. We solved a division problem of finding lots of ways to share the dragon's twenty eggs into equal groups.
<b>Y2</b>	In RE, we have been learning about the life of Mohammed and his importance to Muslims. In Music, we have been learning about pitch by playing glockenspiels. We played music to illustrate the characters in 'Goldilocks' and have started learning to play Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.
<b>Y3</b>	Y3 have also been inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and the illustrations from our class text 'Leaf'. In the Forest School Area, we created our own pieces of art from natural objects and the results were stunning! We have also worked hard to develop our descriptive vocabulary, especially when visualising our polar bear covered in hundreds of leaves!
<b>Y4</b>	Y4 have spent some time writing some wonderful poems all about the moon. They have included some brilliant rhyming words, alliteration and similes.
<b>Y5</b>	Y5 have continued their work on Tom's Midnight Garden, using the story as inspiration for their own writing. We have looked at different methods for separating materials in science and continued our exploration of Elvis Presley's music, performing Jailhouse Rock.
<b>Y6</b>	Y6 have been converting units of measures and had a debate on whether the family in our story should emigrate. We have been finding pictures within words with Sir Linkalot, and investigating the reflection of light in science. We have also shown our beliefs through art.

## WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

### MONDAYS

5S  
Kookaburras  
Lorikeets  
Ducklings  
Goslings

### TUESDAYS

Owls  
Robins  
5D

### WEDNESDAY

3TWP  
3DB  
4M  
Owls

### THURSDAY

6W  
4O + 4M  
3TWP

### FRIDAY

6H  
4O  
Kookaburras  
Lorikeets

### FOREST SCHOOLS (THURSDAY)

Lorikeets