

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 24th November

BOOK WORMS

This year, we have had a real focus on reading. We have introduced fluency lessons across KS2 and revamped our phonics teaching using the Read, Write, Inc scheme. It's important for children to be able to read confidently and fluently so that they comprehend and develop a love of reading. Our new display in the hall gives suggestions of books to read which I hope will inspire the children to branch out and discover new authors.

The book Fair last week took a lot of money which means we get a percentage of this amount to spend on scholastic books for our library and reading books. Every book you buy and enjoy, helps to purchase a book for the school for lots of children to enjoy. A 'win win' situation!

As I walk around the school, I keep hearing snippets of practising for our Christmas service and Nativities. There is some super singing and we've got some excited children now that the stage is up in the hall. Tickets for the Carol Service will be handed out closer to the time, but please complete the Google form so you don't miss out. Information about the tickets for the Nativities will come very soon.



NEXT WEEK

Monday 27th – Flu Immunisations

Monday 27th -Own Clothes Day. Bring in an item for the Gift Wrap Day.

Friday 1st December – Gift Wrap Day. All children will have the chance to choose a gift, wrap and label it for Christmas in exchange for £1. The Library will be turned into a Christmas Grotto and we're hoping for a very special visitor!

Our Attendance so far this term is 95%. This is just below our target of 96%.

Christmas Disco – 1st December

Reception Nativity – 8th Dec

Carol Service 1:45pm & 7pm – 11th Dec

KS1 Nativity -12th & 13th Dec

Christmas Lunch – 14th Dec

End of Term 2 – 15th Dec



Thank you to all our parents who are coming into school to listen to readers and sharing books.

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.



YR	In reception this week, we have been continuing our learning about Biscuit Bear and we have been making biscuits using measuring and weighing skills. We have been reading and writing nonsense and real CVC words and feeding them to the bears! We've made necklaces and bracelets and counted how many beads we have been using. We have been making a friend for Biscuit Bear from playdough and using collage.
Y1	This week in Year 1, we have listened to a new story - Monkey See, Monkey Do. We have made story maps to help us retell the story and written about what the different characters are thinking and feeling. We have created collages inspired by the French artist Henri Matisse, as well as lots of practising for the Nativity!
Y2	Year 2 have been learning about the jobs people did in castles and thought about what job we would like. In Science, we are learning about waterproof materials and used wax crayons to waterproof paper.
Y3	Year 3 enjoyed finding out where the money raised by Children in Need was spent. When we couldn't get outside in PE due to the rain, we developed our coordination playing uni-hock and had great fun! We have been developing our cutting and sticking skills to create our Viking boat silhouette which included turning the paper to cut around tricky shapes.
Y4	This week in year 4, we have been concentrating on our 6 and 9 times tables and looked at the division facts and patterns. In literacy, we have become authors writing our own version in our character's perspective of the eruption of Mt Vesuvius. In science, we are looking at the changing states of water. We've learnt about Queen Boudicca and how she built a rebellion against the ancient Romans.
Y5	In Year 5 this week, we have enjoyed exploring Ancient Maya we even designed our own Mayan clothing. In music, we have started to learn our carol for the Christmas Carol Concert, "Angels Sing." The carol was written by our own, very talented Mr Smith!
Y6	Another busy week in year 6. In science, the children have been learning about how light refracts in water. In RE, the children have been responding to Jesus' healing properties. We are writing a non-chronological report about the history of printing using all our research; making a worm mechanism matchbox; and enjoying our reading.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAY

5S
5B
Lorikeets
Kookaburras
4B

Swimming 4VC

TUESDAY

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

3DB
3TWB
4VC
4B

6W

6H

THURSDAY

3TWB
3DB
Owls
Robins

FRIDAY

Ducklings
Goslings
Lorikeets
Kookaburras

FOREST SCHOOL

3DB