



# Spittal Community First School

## Weekly News!

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### News & Events

I am pleased to report that we have no current Covid cases in school. We can therefore continue to allow a more normal operation with of course additional cleaning ventilation and hand washing. We will continue the current drop off and pick up arrangements as these are working well.

Can I remind parents that PE uniform is black joggers or leggings and a school sweatshirt.

Next week we have a number of exciting activities planned to mark science week. On Monday the children will take part in a range of science experiments. On Tuesday the older children will access electric motor sports workshops while the younger ones will work with the bee-bots.

On Thursday 'Traveling by Tuba' will be in school with yet another musical extravaganza.

On Friday to mark Red Nose Day the children may come to school wearing something red, for example a red headband, red socks or a red t-shirt.

### Star of the Week

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| <u>Nursery</u> | Parker, Isaac     |
| <u>Class 1</u> | Harry J, Darlah   |
| <u>Class 2</u> | Paisley, Poppy    |
| <u>Class 3</u> | Ray, Luke         |
| <u>Class 4</u> | Lyle, Alfie       |
| <u>Class 5</u> | Brookley, Georgie |
| <u>Class 6</u> | Connor, Charlie   |

### Diary Dates

### What have we been learning this week?

#### Nursery

This week in Nursery, we have been learning about Winter. We used potatoes to print pictures of snowmen, we made snowflakes and we used cotton wool to make snowy pictures. We have named items of clothing and sorted them into summer and winter clothes. We have read Oliver's Vegetables and discussed eating warm winter soup! We named different types of vegetables and then made repeating patterns.

We have been learning lot of new vocabulary including "gloves", "frost", "icicles", "fog" and "scarf".



#### Spring Term

Monday 14th March

Science week

Thursday 17th March

'Travelling by Tuba' visit the school

Friday 18th March

Red Nose Day

Week beginning 28th March

Parent's evenings.

Friday 8th April

School closes for the Easter holiday

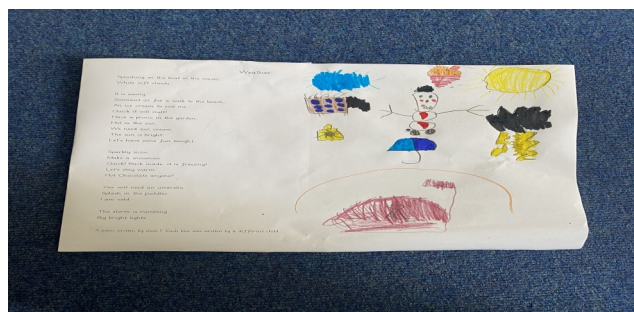
Monday 25th April

School re-opens



### Class 1

We started the week by creating our own weather poem. Each child in the class wrote one sentence and we put it together to create a weather poem. After the children were authors we then turned into illustrators and created pictures to go with the text using beautiful bright colours. The children have worked hard in maths too. They have continued to learn about number bonds to 5 and 10. We have also been finding more and less, encouraging children to use this vocabulary as they explore numbers.



### Class 2 & 3

This week Class 2 and 3 have continued to look at their topic 'Space' and find out more information about Bob 'The Man on the Moon'. They have read the book and discussed why the book is funny and their favourite part of the story. The children particularly enjoyed finding the hidden aliens in the pictures. They have written postcards to a friend in the class from the moon describing what it is like using adjectives and the fun things you can do when you visit. In art they used chalks to make some space pictures, learning how to blend to give their picture more texture. Science this week has looked at describing the properties of different materials and new vocabulary included the words transparent, opaque and rigid. Another excellent week, well done!





### Class 4

This week class 4 have been introduced to a new book called 'Leo and the Gorgons'. It is about a small boy who wishes to become a hero and protect mythological creatures. We have pretended to be Leo and we have created a letter to send to our parents. In numeracy we have been looking at equivalent fractions and finding fractions within shapes. In R.E we have been finding out about Jewish beliefs and traditions and discovered what it is like inside a synagogue. In science we completed an experiment on the permeability of different soil types. In P.E we have started to develop our tennis skills. We have focused on the grip and technique of the fore-hand. Finally in art we have created our very own mythological creatures.

### Class 5 & 6

This week Year 4 have enjoyed reading their new class book which is called 'Leo and the Gorgon's Curse'. The children have had great fun imagining that they are Leo and writing letters about their adventures. They have also enjoyed reading, ordering and then creating their very own 'Perseus and Medusa' play scripts. In maths we have been working on how to add and subtract simple fractions and how to find fractions of quantities. We have done lots of R.E. this week and have found out about the religious artefacts you would find in a church and synagogue. In history we have been finding out about the people of Athens and identifying how their lives differed from the people of Sparta. The children have been working hard at learning their tables so please continue to encourage them to go on apps like 'Hit the Button' and 'j2blast'.