

Spittal Community First School Weekly News!

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News & Events

Next week is the start of our creative fortnight. Miss Bayly has sent out a request for treasure and we would welcome further donations of plants. We can't wait to get started! On Wednesday we are due to hold our Sports Day but the weather looks like it may be on the turn. If we do have to cancel we will send out a message via Facebook and the parent app during the morning. Please could you ensure your child has sun cream with them at school as we spend increasing amounts of time outside to take advantage of this glorious weather.

What have we been learning this week?

Nursery and Reception

This week Nursery and Reception have been learning more about sharks for our 'Under the Sea topic'. We have all labelled a shark and discussed how their body parts are different to ours. Reception have started creating pictures of the different types of sharks. We are using oil pastels for the sharks and collaging the pictures onto the beautiful blue printed paper we made last week. As we have Sports Day for the reception children next week, we have been out on the field practising our races. The Year 4 children practised too and were fantastic helpers; getting us ready for our races and putting out all the equipment. In maths we have been learning about odd and even numbers. Check if we can remember which are which!

The children in nursery have been then practising their cutting skills and cut out labels to add to a diagram. We learnt the following vocabulary: 'gills', 'tail fin', 'snout', 'nostrils', 'jaw' and 'teeth'. The children have also accessed child initiated learning opportunities which included, a sea themed tuff tray, water play with a sea creature focus, a creative table to decorate their own fish, small world sea animals, jigsaws and a range of non fiction ocean books. The children have been practising very hard for their Sports Day races. Nursery Sports



Day will be held on Monday 3rd July. at 2 p.m. We have enjoyed exploring our outdoor learning environment - they particularly enjoy the sand pit and mud kitchen.



Star of the Week	
Nursery	Cleo
<u>Class 1</u>	lvy
<u>Class 2</u>	Kaine
Class 3	Riley
<u>Class 4</u>	Luke
<u>Class 5</u>	Sophie B.

Diary Dates

Week beginning 19th June

Creative fortnight based on the book Magic Trash. Environmental regeneration theme. Wednesday 21st June Sports Day 1.30p.m. Thursday 22nd June RNLI water safety visit Union Chain Bridge visit for Miss McColl and Mrs Mutch's classes. Friday 23rd June Dance workshops Monday 26th June Gardening workshops Dance workshops Tuesday 27th June Miss McColl's class visit The Hirsel Gardening workshops Wednesday 28th June Reserve sports day. Nursery visit The Hirsel Big Gig Virtual Concert. Back to the '80's. 1980's fancy dress optional. Thursday 29th June UK Parliament outreach session for Year 4 Dance workshops and performance 3 p.m. Friday 30th June Mr Hair Class visit The Hirsel Gardening workshops Monday 3rd July Nursery Sports Day 2 p.m. Mrs Mutch's class visit The Hirsel <u>Tuesday 4th July</u> Mr Straughan's class visit The Hirsel Road safety workshop for Mr Hair's class



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Class 2 and 3

This week in literacy year I and 2 have continued their work on The Storm Whale. They have started to write a diary entry to explain how a character feels and have been sequencing events in the correct order. Year 2 have also been working hard to add suffixes when spelling. In numeracy year I have been learning about position and direction using the language forwards, backwards, above, below, left and right. Year 2 have been learning to tell the time in 5 minute intervals to the hour The children have started their new history topic "The Seaside past and present". We spent time researching our local seaside. In art the children printed repeating patterns and have enjoyed playing Tri golf in PE. Year I and 2 enjoyed an afternoon of computing., working together to learn about programming the spyros. Year I have also worked incredibly hard with the phonics check this week! Well done!







Class 4 and 5

This week in literacy class 4 have started a new book called 'The Great Kapok Tree'. Having looked at the blurb and first few pages, we predicted that the book is going to be about a man who is persuaded not to cut down the tree in the middle of the Amazon rainforest. In numeracy we have been using fraction walls to solve equivalent fractions. In PSHE we have started talking about relationships and stereotypes. In geography we have looked at the effects of humans on the rainforests around the world. In P.E we have been developing our golf skills and learning to chip a ball into the air. In music we have started exploring a new genre of music called 'hip hop'.

Class 5 has had a very busy week. On Monday many of the children went for their first visit to Tweedmouth Middle School. They all seemed to have had a great time and enjoyed their complementary lunch. On Tuesday we travelled to Dance City to take part in a football dance workshop. The children loved visiting Newcastle and had a tour of the Dance City studios and performance areas. In literacy we have been creating our own Amazon rainforest reports. In maths we have done some more work on time problems. I'm pleased to say we have completed the multiplication tables check this week and the children couldn't have tried any harder. The weather has been wonderful and the children have spent time improving their golf skills and practising for sport's day. We are looking forward to our creative fortnight which starts next week. If you wish to purchase a Year 4 leaver's hoodie please can complete all forms and payment by Monday 19th June.



