

Spittal Community First School Weekly News!

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News & Events

COVID Update

Once again cases are rising and we have had an additional 7 cases in school this week. Unfortunately, this means we must put in place our outbreak management plan requiring additional measures such as the return to bubbles. If your child has any of the main symptoms please do not send them in to school and seek a COVID test. Hopefully with improved weather the cases will drop in the coming weeks.

What have we been learning this week?

Nursery

This week in Nursery, we have been discussing all the activities we like to do in the Summer and what we wear, what we eat and what the weather is like. We have made butterflies and have added them to our seasonal wall display. We have painted sunflowers and have watered our seeds whilst waiting patiently for them to grow. We have sorted objects to match each season and started to name the months of the year. We have also practiced our cutting skills by decorating sandcastles with pictures of flags, shells and seaweed.

We have planted wildflower seeds in our nursery garden to attract the bees and butterflies in the summer. We are looking forward to watching the flowers grow and looking after them. We have been practising writing our names using the correct letter formation. We have participated in Sounds Great Activities to develop our phonological and listening skills. We have been practising counting aloud and forming our numbers correctly.

We have attended whole school assembly in preparation for starting Reception and we've enjoyed our Boogie Beats and Yoga classes.

Star of the Week

<u>Nursery</u> Ivy

Class I Harry F

Class 2 Alyx

Class 3 Bobbie-Leigh

Class 4 Sonny

<u>Class 5</u> Cameron

Class 6 Jacob

Diary Dates

Spring Term

Week beginning 28th March

Parent's evenings.

Friday 8th April

School closes for the Easter holiday

Monday 25th April

School re-opens



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Class 1

This week Reception has continued to learn all about the weather. We made our own weather chart for the children to take home so

that they can change it daily and make their own weather forecast. We also discussed the water cycle and the children were fascinated that all water is recycled and we could be drinking water that the dinosaurs had bathed in! We have continued to practise developing our gross motor skills, using the apparatus in the hall and our new equipment on the field. In maths we have been focusing a lot on doubling and halving this week and how halving means sharing between two! Well done, Reception. You continue to work hard!



Class 2 & 3

This week Class 2 and 3 have been very busy designing posters for a visit to the moon in literacy and used persuasive words and phrases in their work. They have also practised using verbs in sentences and used these to write rules for a 'Safe visit to the moon'. In geography the children have named the 4 countries that make up the United kingdom and labelled them on a map. The children enjoyed making their own compass and learning about the compass points to describe position and direction. In science they looked at different materials and explored how they can change shape by squashing, twisting, stretching and bending them. Superwork!









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Class 4

This week in literacy we started the week by writing our weekend news. We tried to add lots of adverbs and expanded noun phrases and many achieved gold cards for effort. In numeracy we have been finding quarters and thirds of amounts and using visual aids to help. In P.E we have been practising our tennis skills and focussing on trying to get our shots over the net. In R.E we have been learning about different festivals in the Jewish Community. We have also investigated the foods they would eat and the reasons why they are included. In history we have been using our ICT skills to investigate the Greek god's and we created some awesome pictures of what they look like.

Class 5 & 6

In literacy the Year 4 children produced some excellent news writing this week. They also enjoyed researching, writing about and illustrating several mythical creatures from Ancient Greece. In maths the children are gaining a deeper understanding of decimals. We have been learning to count from one to twenty in French this week. In art we are continuing to investigate the work of the conceptual artist Yinka Shonibare.