



News & Events

Happy New Year! Included in our list of dates is a 'Time to Share'. This is another opportunity for you to come into school at the end of the day to see your child's work. We will also be holding a Valentines disco which will take place directly after school. More details to follow nearer the time. This term Mr Straughan's class are swimming on a Friday. The contribution is £3 per week or £15 for the half term.

Star of the Week

<u>Nursery</u>	Ada
<u>Class 1</u>	Noah B.
<u>Class 2</u>	Isaac
<u>Class 3</u>	Kenzi
<u>Class 4</u>	Paisley
<u>Class 5</u>	Scarlett A.

What have we been learning this week?

Nursery and Reception

Everyone in the Early Years has really enjoyed being back at school. We have welcomed new friends into the Nursery and they are settling in well. Reception have started a new book in literacy - 'Super Millie and the Super School Day'. We have discussed our super powers and have made masks and superhero puppets. In maths we have been exploring numbers to 5, including zero and read 'None is a Number'. On Thursday, Nursery went into the garden to check on the seeds that they planted last term. They then had great fun in the mud kitchen. Reception went out onto the field and worked together to build a superhero den. Nursery library visits will begin again next week. Reception will now be having PE on Friday afternoons and spending more time outside.

Diary Dates

Thursday 25th January

Burns lunch

Friday 2nd February

Pyjama day

Thursday 8th February

'Time to Share' 3.20 p.m. An opportunity for you to view your child's work.

Friday 9th February

Chinese New Year lunch

Wednesday 14th February

Valentines disco 3.20-4.20 p.m.

Friday 16th February

School closes for half term 3.20p.m.



Class 2 and 3

Year 1 had a very busy start to the Spring Term. In Literacy they have read their book 'Send for a Superhero' and created their own superheroes using adjectives to describe them. They have written a letter to their superhero asking for help to get rid of the baddies. In Numeracy the children have been adding together numbers to 20 and used this knowledge to solve problems. In Science they have started to name different materials and identify objects made of these. In art they have started to collage their polar region backgrounds ready to decorate next week. The children enjoyed making their own maps of the school and are ready to start their new geography topic next week. A super week. Well done!

Year 2 had a very busy start to the Spring Term. In Literacy they have read their book 'The Journey Home' and discussed why the animals in the story are endangered and have looked at writing commands that start with a bossy verb. In Numeracy the children have started to name and describe 2D and 3D shapes and have used the words sides, vertices and faces. They have sorted shapes into 2 groups. This week the children started their new topic in History 'The Great Fire of London' and enjoyed looking at different images and asking questions about the pictures. In Science they have started to name different materials and identify objects made of these. In art they have sketched Tudor Houses and used a range of media to colour them. A super week! Well done.

Class 4 and 5

This week in literacy year 3 we have been working on a new book called 'The Tin Forest'. We have looked at the front cover and the first page and we have made predictions about the story. We have also looked at items that can be recycled and created recycling posters with expanded noun phrases. In numeracy we have been working on column multiplication involving up to 3 digits. In history we have been learning about Viking ships, runestones and what it would be like to live in a Viking village.

Year 4 have been studying explanations during literacy this week. The children have written some excellent explanations about 'How a bike works' and 'How a Drive-Thru' works. In maths we have been developing our knowledge of division and we have done some very simple 'bus stop' division. We have also looked at solving some simple division word problems using arrays. We are studying The Ancient Greeks in history. So far we have looked at who the Ancient Greeks were, and when and where they lived. In P.E. the children have enjoyed playing cricket with our expert P. E. coach, Jack, from the Newcastle Foundation. We have been learning how to do some simple programming in computing using the 'Mr Beardman' software in School 360.