



News & Events

Welcome back! As the weather hopefully warms up, the children are welcome to wear summer uniform of blue checked dress, grey shorts or continue with the usual uniform. Please ensure all clothing is named, particularly sweatshirts to avoid any mix up's. We have managed to re-arrange class photographs for 9th May. As we have another two days of strike action there is likely to be some disruption. I will let you know as far in advance as possible which classes are to be affected.

Star of the Week

<u>Nursery</u>	Alfie
<u>Class 1</u>	Lanah
<u>Class 2</u>	Antonia
<u>Class 3</u>	Paige
<u>Class 4</u>	Mia
<u>Class 5</u>	Mackenzie

Diary Dates

Summer Term Dates

Thursday 27th April

Strike day

Monday 1st May

Closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd May

Strike day

Thursday 4th May

Coronation party

Friday 5th May

Year 3 kite and dance workshops

Monday 8th May

Closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May

Class photographs

Thursday 18th May

'Time to Share' 3.20 p.m.

Saturday 20th May

Choir performance

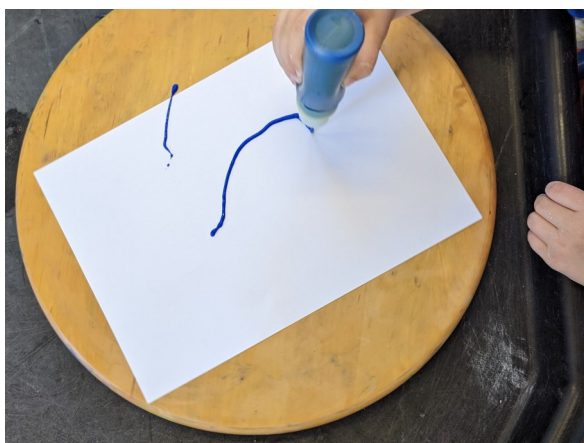
Friday 26th May

School closes at 3.20 p.m. for half term.

What have we been learning this week?

Nursery and Reception

This week in the Early Years we have started our new topic. We are learning about the Earth and space and started the week by reading 'Astro Girl'. We have talked about what we would need to pack for a space adventure and tried some freeze dried space food! Nursery had great fun making some sensory moon dust and Reception have been playing in their space rocket role-play. Everyone has been experimenting with spin painting to create a green and blue Earth and we have been using oil pastels to draw all the colourful planets.

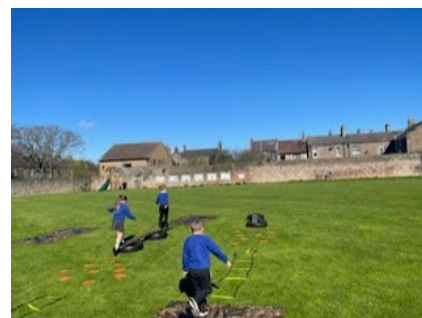
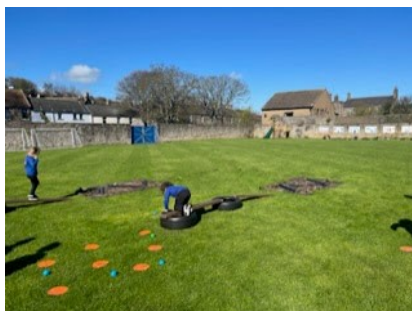




Class 2 and 3

This half term Year 1 and 2 will be learning about plants. In literacy, the children have started reading a new text called 'The Secret Sky Garden'. The children used an illustration from the story to write their own questions and to make predictions about what they thought would happen next. In maths year 1 have been learning to count in twos and have learnt about odd and even numbers. In PE Year 1 have enjoyed playing rugby and taking part in Commando Joes and have had lots of fun playing in their new Garden Centre. The children have been making flowers and planting seeds to sell to the customers. In art the children have created spring birds using a wide range of materials and have been sketching flowers using chalks.

In maths, Year 2 started to learn about fractions. We focussed on finding halves of shapes, objects and numbers. In literacy the children completed a piece of writing all about their Easter holidays. In science we drew and labelled the parts of a plant and then created a zine book to document the life cycle. We learned about germination and seed dispersal.



Class 4 and 5

This week in literacy class 4 have been looking at a new book called 'The Green Ship'. The start of the book tells us about two children who have sneaked over the wall of their auntie's house and they have a magical adventure. We used our imagination and created our own magical adventure about a haunted house, a futuristic space pad or Willy Wonka's chocolate factory. We used amazing sentence openers, expanded noun phrases and added illustrations to our work. In numeracy we have been dividing using the 'part-whole' method and repeated subtraction. In science we have been experimenting with conductors and insulators. In RE we have worked on the story of Abraham and how Judaism was founded. In geography we have started looking at the rainforests around the world. We learned about the countries that have rainforests and how they are found along the equator.

Year 4 have started to study a brand new book entitled 'The Green Ship' written by the famous illustrator Quentin Blake. The children have conjured up some wonderful settings relating to this book. In maths we have started to learn about tenths and decimals. Our science this term relates to plants and the children have already created some wonderful plant diagrams. In P.E. we are developing our rugby skills with our hugely talented and highly enthusiastic rugby coach, Mr Hall. In geography we are learning about rainforests and the children have created some detailed illustrations of tree frogs in art.

