

## Weekly Updates 22.03.2019

### **Early years**

Thank you for the photos you have sent us via Tapestry showing signs of Spring, please can you include your child in some of the pictures so we know who has sent them in when they are displayed.

### Nursery

We have been as busy as the 'Very Busy Spider', making up stories, hunting for and making our own webs. Next week we will be thinking about Easter and Spring and looking at the changes in our environment.

Our sound of the week will be 'h' so please can you bring in some objects for us to look at beginning with this sound.

### Reception

At last The Evil Pea is no more! They have all been counted in and out and back into the cupboard!

We have got a very exciting week next week with Mother's Day and are really looking forward to seeing you all, so we and the children can say thank you for everything you do for us!

We know some of you have been disappointed if we have not been able to accommodate you if you have needed to change your days, but we literally only have enough tables and chairs for 26.

Each afternoon we will have some books available for you to buy at 10p each and on Friday we will be selling any left after school to the rest of the school.

On Tuesday we have some students coming into school to perform a little show and do some Easter themed activities with the children culminating with an Easter Egg Hunt! I know the students are really looking forward to it and have put in a lot of work to ensure it is a great success.

Due to the Easter Activity morning both classes will be doing PE on Wednesday, so please can you make sure PE kit is in school Wednesday.

We hope you have a lovely weekend from all the EYFS Team.

## Year 1

The children have really enjoyed the start of our Explorers topic and have been interested to learn lots of facts about Neil Armstrong and the first moon landing. Next week we look forward to our visitor on Wednesday who will lead interactive storytelling and discovery sessions. We will also make comparisons between Neil Armstrong and another explorer, Christopher Columbus.

In maths we will be working on problem solving involving both addition and subtraction.

Please remember to visit [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk) for some fun, interactive phonics games which will really help your child.

As the weather is changeable at the moment, please still send a coat for playtimes. Thank you for your support.

Next Friday, if your child is attending the Disco, please do not come in to school at the end of the day as they will get changed in their Classroom Base and then be taken straight through to the Disco.

For safety reasons, FOSWS have said that NO children will be leaving the Disco until the Disco finishes at 4.45pm - and collection will be from the side-door of the School Hall, many thanks.

Have a lovely weekend.

The Year One Team

## Year 2

This week the children have used their knowledge of healthy eating to plan for our café. On Monday they designed fruit kebabs, thinking about taste, appearance, texture and smell. They will be making their designs next week. On Wednesday they consolidated their learning by producing a menu for the café, packed full of healthy ideas!

The children finished their swimming sessions this week with a games session. They have all become so much more confident in the water – well done Year 2!

In English next week Mr Winch's group will write leaflets persuading visitors to come to our Zoo. Mrs Alexander and Mrs Gilbert's group will focus on reading comprehension, spelling and grammar.

In Maths, both groups will consolidate what we've covered so far in Year 2. Mrs Alexander and Mrs Gilbert's group will also do some problem solving, whilst Mr Winch's group will take a further look at money.

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The Year 2 Team

### **Year 3**

This week we have set up our 'egg-speriment' and we are watching with interest to see what happens to the eggs which are soaking in different drinks. The children have really impressed us with their scientific thinking!

Next week indoor PE will continue with gymnastics and outdoor PE with tennis on Monday and Tuesday respectively.

If the children would like to play football on the field on Thursday lunchtimes, they will also need a change of shoes and a bag to put the muddy ones in to be able to do this. We do not have enough pairs of spare trainers of the right sizes to lend out!

In Science we will be writing up the results and conclusion sections of our investigation. The music compositions are part way through being planned and the children are being extremely creative with their use of the instruments. The rainforest animals which are being sewn from felt are starting to take shape and are looking really good! These will be continued next week and hopefully finished before we break up for Easter. The children are learning lots of new skills through this project.

Our French lesson will focus on how adjectives change when feminine nouns are being described. This week in Geography we learnt about the different layers of the rainforest and which animals live in which part. Next week we will look at the effects of deforestation on animals, people and plants. In RE we will learn about the beginning of the Easter story.

Have a lovely weekend,

Year 3 Teaching Team

#### **Year 4**

This week in Science we looked at drought statistics as part of our topic on extreme weather. We looked at the short term and long term effects of drought on a region and also looked at the hottest places in each of the World's continents. All the children made a 'discussion pyramid' – maybe they can impress you with these at home or continue their research?!

In Maths we have been looking at fractions and decimals which will feature along with all the other maths covered this year in our testing next week. Thank you for discussing with your child what they are learning to consolidate this and for helping with the ongoing work on mastering our times tables!

In English Miss Lee's class have created non-chronological reports as unaided work for assessment and Mrs Howell's and Mrs Hickey's class have been writing newspaper reports. Miss Lee's group will look at newspaper reports next week.

In Art the children have enjoyed printing their designs in four different colours to create Andy Warhol style print patterns. In French they have discussed animals seen in a zoo and dates in the calendar.

Next week is our last week of gymnastics. The children have gained lots of knowledge, experience and confidence thanks to Hannah.

In a slight amendment to our homework menu, egg cars and parachutes will be needed in for Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April please as this is when we can use the hall. Wish the children luck!!!

Have a lovely weekend

The Year 4 Team

#### **Year 5**

Next week in Art, the children will be designing a God's Eye – used in Chile as a wall hanging. In PSHE, they will be looking at the reasons why people raise money for charity and designing a poster

for the Cake Stall on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Thank you to those of you who have agreed to make cakes for this, it is very much appreciated.

In Science, the children will be learning about reversible and irreversible changes. In Geography, they will be learning about what causes an earthquake – and their effects. In RE, the children will be continuing the unit on the life of Jesus, specifically studying the Crucifixion and the Resurrection; and Christian symbols. In French, the children will continue to learn vocabulary related to directions.

Have a good weekend

The Year 5 Teaching Team

## **Year 6**

This week the children have made a fantastic start to their narrative piece based on our story 'Fuzzy Mud'. Throughout the week they have been working collaboratively to develop different description ideas which can be incorporated into their stories; we have been really impressed with the content they have all produced.

In Maths, alongside our continued work on fractions and percentages, we have started to revise knowledge of area and perimeter from previous years.

In Science this week the children have completed their Carl Linnaeus biography, which again has been completed to a very high standard.

### **The homework for this week is:**

Reading: Poetry: pgs 14-19 Due: Thurs 28<sup>th</sup>

Maths: Target Practice Book: pgs 58-59 and 80-81 Due: Tues 26<sup>th</sup>

Reasoning: pgs 33-34 Due: Tues 26<sup>th</sup>

Next week will be having another Mock SATs week starting on Monday; having familiarised themselves with the format the first time, this will provide a good measure of where the children are as they continue to prepare for the actual tests in May.

Have a relaxing weekend,

Year 6 Team