

Weekly Updates 21.06.2019

Early years

On Thursday 27th June we will be having a cake, book and plant sale, with the money raised we would like to buy more resources for our outside area. We would be grateful for donations of cakes for us to sell too.

Some of the children in Sunshine Class visited a train station in the holidays and alongside Nursery's interest in transport and journeys we will be setting up our outdoor roleplay area as a Fire Station.

Nursery

We have loved our train station and Mr Dewhurst really enjoyed his train ride to the beach! We noticed children were taking resources from the home corner to the train station so we decided to open a café in the station. This meant Mrs Dade enjoyed breakfast on the way to London to see the Queen. One of the children even phoned ahead to make sure there was a cup of tea waiting for her! In our haltime we re-enacted the story The Train Ride going over mountains, under bridges and passing through fields.

Next week we will be continuing with our focus on journeys and also sneaking into Reception to play whilst the Reception children are sneaking into Year 1!

Our letter of the week will be z.

Reception

Sunshine Class loved their class treat to the park, the weather was perfect and we had so much fun we lost track of time and only just got back before home time! It has inspired Rainbow Class they got their 10 class points and they are off to the park next Monday.

We were very lucky to have the vets visit us on Monday; they showed us what they do if an animal needs a check- up and how to find out what to do when an animal is ill.

Next week we will be sneaking into year 1 whilst they are on their school trip to explore our new classrooms. The year one teachers will be coming to visit us and read stories over the next few weeks too.

The children have loved all the Mystery Readers and we can't wait to see who will be coming next week, the teachers don't know who it is - so it is a surprise for them too!

Hope you have a wonderful weekend.

From all the EYFS Team

Year 1

It was lovely to see so many of you at Sports Day this week and we were relieved that the weather was kind to us! The children all had a lovely morning and we were proud of the way they all participated so well.

Next week, on Wednesday, we are looking forward to our trip to **Lackford Lakes**. At the moment the weather forecast is looking rather warm. We would be grateful if you could PLEASE APPLY SUNCREAM BEFORE SCHOOL so that your child is fully protected.

Please could you also provide:

- A sun hat.
- A light rain coat.

- A packed lunch and water bottle.
- Trainers (or wellies if wet).
- Please wear trousers/ leggings/ track-suit bottoms to protect from brambles and nettles. School t-shirts and sweatshirts.
- A small backpack to keep all their belongings together!

We will take our normal fruit for morning snack with us.

In Maths next week we will be working on place value of numbers to 100.

Thank you all for your support.

Have a lovely weekend!

The Year 1 Team.

Year 2

Thank you to everyone who supported us on Sports Day – the children were thrilled to have so many of you there and to show you what they can do. We're sure you'll agree they did a great job, and we were pleased that the rain stayed away!

In our topic work this week we have learned about knights – what their duties were and how they lived by a Code of Chivalry. The children demonstrated their learning by making a "Wanted" poster. In the near future we will build our own junk model castles, so please send in any clean unwanted cardboard boxes, tubes and pots (but no toilet rolls please!)

As we near the end of the year we will revisit some areas of the curriculum – in English this will include grammar and spelling skills, and we will focus particularly on problem solving in Maths.

Until the end of term we will continue working with algorithms on Scratch Jr in Computing, and our PSHE sessions focus on emotions, particularly anger.

Looking through reading records, it is great to see so many children reading regularly at home. Keep it up – it really makes a difference!

Have a great weekend,
The Year 2 Team

Year 3

This week the children really enjoyed building Stonehenge out of a variety of materials! The dominoes were popular, but kept toppling over!

Next week we will be learning the months of the year in French. In DT the children will plan a dessert based on the findings of our recent science investigation! Our History lesson will move on to finding out about the Bronze Age. In Science the children will learn about the terms pollination and germination.

This Thursday, 27th June we will be taking the children to Moreton Hall Prep School to take part in a Festival of Sport during the school day.

Class 8 will be leaving as soon as we have registered, so please ensure that your child is at school promptly that day. Class 7 will go in the afternoon. The children should come to school in their SCHOOL PE KIT on Thursday and can remain in it all day.

Please be mindful of the weather forecast (sun cream, sun hats and/or raincoats?!) and ensure that your child has a named water bottle.

Have a lovely weekend!

Year 3 team

Year 4

Oh my word, the Year 4 children seem rather excited about their current DT project! Leading on from our weather and sound topics, they have designed 2 wind chimes at school using a combination of natural and recycled materials. We apologise if they have come home and asked you to drill holes in random objects- it is entirely your choice. They only need to collect things if they want from home or they can make it from objects we have at school. We can't wait for them to put their ideas into action! The other exciting DT this week has been making French baguettes for a French party in a few weeks and they smelt yummy!

Mrs Knott's group have been working very hard on reading comprehension work and some of the questions have been very tricky. Mrs Howell has been teaching the children all about Kennings. The children have written some fantastic ones about themselves and Anglo-Saxons! We hope they can tell you the rules.

The Mathematics homework that has been set this week is following on from work in class. It is based around statistics and shape. We have also been recapping on previous areas of maths taught this year.

We started our new topic on Electricity in Science this week. It was really tricky for the children to think of appliances that work off the mains or just use batteries, many appliances need both! You could ask your children how different appliances are powered around your home.

It's been full speed ahead over the last few weeks practising for our upcoming Sports Day on Friday afternoon 5th July – fingers crossed for dry weather.

Have a restful weekend,

Year 4 Team.

Year 5

Thank you to those of you who joined the children at The Apex. We were really impressed with the children's playing and their behaviour. We hope you enjoyed it too.

In D and T this week, we will be looking at chocolate packaging and flavourings. In Science, the children will be learning about changes they will experience during puberty. We will talk to the girls and boys separately. We will also discuss the human life cycle.

In computing, the children are continuing to design their websites. In History, the children will learn about the history of chocolate and why it was important to The Maya.

A reminder we will be visiting the **Warner Bros Studios** on Monday 1st July. If your child suffers from travel sickness, please ensure you have given them suitable medication beforehand. Most of this medication will last all day but if your child will require another tablet for the return journey, a permission form (available from the School Office) will need to be completed and handed with the named medication to a member of the Year 5 staff.

The children will need a packed lunch, drink and additional healthy snacks (no glass bottles or cans please) in a named bag. Should your child receive a free school meal and you require a packed lunch to be provided, please contact the school office to order this no later than Tuesday 25th June. If we do not hear from you we will assume that you will send your child with a lunch.

The coach will be leaving promptly at 8.15 am and we will meet the children outside the school gate. We will leave the Studios to arrive back at school by approx. 4.30pm.

If there are any changes to the scheduled times, we will contact you via Parentmail with the details. Unless your child is going to After School Club, we ask that they should be collected by an adult from the school library please on our return.

Have a good weekend

The Year 5 Teaching Team