



Newsletter

"Forward thinking and creative; valuing faith, tradition, community and achievement"



In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The final Open Working Day of the year was a huge success and I'd like to thank everyone that visited throughout the day. I hope you have enjoyed these opportunities throughout the year to work alongside your children and support them in their learning. As you can see, all the staff work tirelessly for our children and we are very lucky.

Reception Class – Outdoor Fun

In Reception class the children have been using their observational skills to find different colours in nature. They have created some beautiful nature palettes with the things that they found.



Attendance

Attendance in school last week was 97%. Our Reception class were the winners with a fantastic 100%, well done to everyone in Reception!

We had 3 late attendances in school last week. Please be on the playground for 9am.



Upcoming Events

Friday 30th June at 3pm

Year 1/2 class assembly

Friday 7th July at 3pm
Thursday 13th July, 3:30pm to 5:30pm
Friday 14th July at 3pm
Wednesday 19th July, 2pm and 7pm
Thursday 20th July at 6pm

Year 3/4 class assembly
Optional Parent Consultations
Reception class graduation
Key Stage 2 end of year performance
Year 6 Leavers assembly

Headteacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children this week:



Reception – Jonah Ager for joining in so well with lots of classroom activities;
Reception – Teo Trbojevic for continuing to set such an excellent example when working independently and always behaving beautifully;
Year 1 – Louie Robertson for writing some amazing sentences about big cats, including adverbs and adjectives;
Year 2 – Oliver Eyre for creating a lovely big cat picture using pastels;
Year 3 – Emma Hales-Macdonald for being more confident to write and remembering full stops and capital letters;
Year 4 – Luke Pillen for impressing us all with his acting skills and his confidence when performing;
Year 5 – Elsa Ansell for her dedication to, and awareness about, the steps required to achieve progression.
Year 6 – Corinne Montemayor for her enthusiasm and real commitment to her part within the KS2 performance;
Sports Award - Grace Casswell for her true understanding about teamwork and the important part we all play in the production.



Awards and Certificates outside of school

Asher Hodson Mini Military Mud Run 2017 – Achievement Certificate

Elias Hodson Mini Military Mud Run 2017 – Achievement Certificate

Class News

Reception

We have had another busy week in Reception, enjoying learning inside and outside despite the great British summer weather!

This week we have been investigating and exploring 2D and 3D shapes. The children have used lots of new language to name the shapes and talk about their characteristics and properties. We have also been looking at the shapes of everyday objects and using mathematical language to describe them.



We have also been looking back on our first year in school and all the exciting, interesting and fun things we have done and been part of. Wow! We have had a busy year! The children have produced some excellent writing and art work about their favourite part of the year.



Year 1/2

Considering the change in the weather there was still fun to be had in year 1 and 2. We have started researching big cats and the children already know so much! They know how to group the information, use sub-headings and include high level vocabulary for interest. The children are now going to plan and create a non fiction page about their chosen animals.

Maths has been about data and presenting it in certain ways as well as securing our counting in 2s and 5s and using arrays.

Our class assembly will be a showcase of just some of the work we have done this term, the children have done so much we just won't have time for it all. They have really grown over this year and when I think back to their first assembly to now I'm astonished.

The children have created some great pieces of art on big cats, using pastels and blending.

Year 3/4

Another week has flown by and we have been busy again. The children have enjoyed another session with Northants Cricket; learning more skills and applying them in a game. As well as preparing our sharing assembly for next week, we have also started practicing the Key Stage 2

production. Everybody has been given a part and we have started learning the songs. On Wednesday we had our Parents' Open Day - thank you to the parents who were able to join us. We had a maths lesson where Year 3 consolidated their knowledge of column subtraction while Year 4 worked hard to learn the process of short division. We then continued our persuasive writing topic in Literacy; we were writing persuasive sentences about extra playtime. In the afternoon we had another Day 10 session which the children really enjoyed, even though the weather wasn't great. As we come to the end of the week, the children are doing a few assessments to show the progress they have made this term. These assessments will be used to help teachers see where extra support/challenge may be needed in the next academic year. Have a lovely weekend!

Year 5/6

In maths this week we have calculated the mean of a range of data, read scales and converted measures of length and capacity. The children have shown commitment and completed their end of year assessments during the latter part of this week. We have begun our production practice and year 5 and 6 have thrown themselves into their acting and singing roles.

We were joined on Wednesday by Nancy and Jo from the Flood Awareness Team and their session generated some great discussions between groups of children. We discovered the many uses of rivers and have added this information to our explanation text.

Homework this week is to learn the lines for the production, so scripts are not required during rehearsals and to continue to learn the songs. If you type in 'Shakespeare Rocks' songs' into Google then the 7 songs are available to sing along too. Enjoy!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones