



FEBRUARY

newsletter



As we come to the end of our Spring 1 term, we have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our topic "Help, Help!" Children across the school have learnt about the different people who support our community, and KSI pupils have also explored some fascinating historical events. We loved taking part in Storytelling Week, and the children have continued to develop their dance skills with Mr Wood, showing great energy and creativity.

We were also pleased to deliver some parent and carer workshops, and we truly appreciate the support and attendance from all who joined us. We are now looking forward to Spring 2 and the exciting learning opportunities ahead.

Please see below what our children and teachers have enjoyed most this half term.

Class 1 - Mrs Gent

Class 1 have had a brilliant half term learning all about The Great Fire of London with Partake drama company and using the "Now > Press > Play" headsets.

We have learnt lots of facts about how it changed London and fire safety!

We have also been reading all about "The Dragon Machine" and found a mysterious egg.

We have been working on bossy command sentences to tell people how to look after a dragon, writing diary entries, wanted posters and letters about them!

We have also been working on multiplication and division and found out the relationship between the facts!

Class 2 - Mrs Brookes

Bears have worked so hard this half term! We have been reading 'The Dragon Machine' and focused on using a variety of sentence types including exclamations and questions.

We have really worked hard on our multiplication and division skills and we won the NSPCC Rocks C1 vs C2 competition for Number Day! We also came 8200th out of 23423 classes nationally which is amazing as most classes were Year 4 upwards!

We have loved learning all about The Great Fire of London and had so much fun acting it out during our Partake drama workshop.

Next half term, we're excited to become scientists and get stuck into the world of plants! We'll be visiting the allotment and conducting experiments to discover the conditions needed for plants to grow healthily.

Class 3 - Mrs Taylor

Elephants have had an amazing half term! I have had so much fun getting to know them.

They had a great time on dress up day and when they got to bring in a teddy as a Dojo award.

Making porridge was fun and they wrote a recipe for it too!

I am proud to be their teacher and can't wait for next half term!

Class 4 - Miss Buckinger

Class 4 has had a fantastic half term! The children loved learning all about Florence Nightingale. We enjoyed reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and were very lucky to have met 'Charlie Bucket'.

In computing, we have learnt how to program robots and even debug them.

Next half term we are looking forward to learning all about how plants grow in Science. We will also be learning how to paint in the style of Van Gough.

Thank you for all your help and support throughout this half term the children have made so much progress and are all a joy to teach.

Class 5 - Miss Goundry

What a brilliant half term we've had in Giraffe Class! We are so proud of the children. They've worked hard on their letter formation and spelling, getting ready to become fantastic caption writers next half term. In maths, our young mathematicians have impressed us with their maths talk-comparing groups, spotting more and fewer, and beginning to decompose numbers, ready for number bonds to 5.

Our superhero topic was a big favourite, with lots of exciting missions and plenty of balancing, jumping and creative movement. Next half term, we can't wait to explore things that grow-plants, animals, and maybe even us! We'll also be practising our tricky words and starting to spell some too.

Class 6 - Miss Hughes

Our Honeybee class love learning! We have shown how we are 'professor thinkers' by using question marks and exclamation marks in our writing based on the characters in 'The Lion Inside', as well as adding and subtracting numbers within 20 in Mathematics!

We have loved becoming Doctors and Nurses, learning all about Florence Nightingale and why she was so inspirational - we'll blow your socks off with our historical knowledge!

Next half term, we will become Scientists, learning all about different plants and how they grow, as well as being artists, creating art in the style of Van Gough!

Class 7 - Mrs Withers

Lions have had a great start to the Spring term. We began our learning with our superhero dress up day - the children were fantastic at solving problems!

We explored outer space and were so excited when an astronaut answered some of our questions!

We have been practising writing words and captions - the children have blown us away with their phonics skills. We have also learned some number bonds, and have been comparing groups.

We also enjoyed a library visit and Chinese food tasting!

Next half term we are looking forward to learning all about how different things grow.

Nursery - Mrs McHale

We have had a very busy and exciting half term in Nursery! We have had a new group of children start and they have been super at settling in and making new friends within the nursery setting.

We have been working hard to develop our mark making and fine motor skills through lots of exciting activities such as Squiggle whilst you Wiggle and Dough Disco!

We have been developing our counting skills and had lots of fun using our developing skills on Number Day!

Next half term we will be learning all about things that grow. We will be using language such as tall, short, longer and shorter to describe what we can see.

Our topic next half term is ...

Ready, Steady, Grow!

In EYFS, we will be enjoying lots of lovely stories all about growing. The children will begin to explore what can grow and how we look after living things. In Key Stage 1, children will start to think a little deeper—they will name the different parts of plants, explore various types of trees, and discuss the seasonal changes we see throughout the year. We are really looking forward to an exciting term of discovery and learning.

Our focus British Value will be - Individual Liberty

We will be helping the children understand *Individual Liberty* by teaching them that they have the right to make choices, share their ideas and express themselves safely and respectfully. We support this through simple everyday activities—choosing their own tasks, sharing opinions in circle time, recognising their feelings and knowing it's okay to say "no," and learning how to make safe, kind choices. This helps children grow in confidence and independence while understanding that everyone's rights are important.

- Nettlesworth in Bloom - W/C 23.2.26
- F2 Height and Weight Check am 26.2.26
- F2 WOW starter: A visit from a vet 23.2.26
- KSI WOW Starter: Healthy Eating Banquet 26.2.26
- Nursery WOW Starter: Muddy Boots Growing Week W/C 2.3.26
- World Book Day: Dress up as your favourite character or come to school cosy in your pyjamas! 5/3/26
- Book and a Biscuit - come into to school before the bell and enjoys a biscuit and stories 8.30-8.50am
- British STEM week 6.3.26 to 15.3.26
- Class 2 visit to Little Roots Allotment on 12.3.26 - pm
- Celebrating Mother's Day- invite a special lady to enjoy biscuit decorating, stories and time together on 13.3.26 9am - 9.40am
- Parent/Teacher Meetings W/C 16.3.26

- Nettlesworth in Bloom Competition Judging W/C 16.3.26
- Class 6 visit to Little Roots Allotment 16.3.26 - pm
- Class 1 visit to Little Roots Allotment 17.3.26 - pm
- Red Nose Day: Wear something red or something silly! 20/3/26
- Class 1 Celebration of Learning Assembly 23.3.26 at 9.10am
- Class 3 Visit to Little Roots Allotment 23.3.26 - pm
- Class 4 Visit to Little Roots Allotment 24.3.26 - pm
- Class 2 Celebration of Learning Assembly 24.3.26 at 9.10am
- F2 Epic Ending: Muddy Boots and Shoots Day- wear your wellies! 24.3.26
- World Maths Day 25.3.26
- Easter Bonnet Parade 26/3/26 at 3pm
- Easter Bunny and Chick Visit 26.3.26
- Year 2 visiting the Church (date and time TBC)
- INSET Day 27.3.26

Last day in school Thursday 26.3.26 - Pupils return Monday 13.4.26