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Weekly Newsletter



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Important Information

THIS WEEK

Rev Den KS1 assembly (5.3.18)

On Monday we welcomed Rev Den into school for one of her special assemblies.

Year 5 & 6 visit to Brereton Heath (6.3.18)

On Tuesday year 5 and 6 went to Brereton Heath. The day was spent based around the theme of a treasure hunt. We planned this activity day to work alongside one of our MAT (Multi Academy Schools) Wheelock primary. So children from year 5 and 6 from both schools were working together in teams. The main purpose of this day was to allow children the opportunity to further strengthen their 4 learning muscles. The ANT (team work), The Rhino (building resilience), The beaver (being resourceful) and the Tortoise (reflecting on learning) in a very practical action packed day. The children took part in tent building, orienteering and a variety of team challenges throughout the day.

I was very proud of our children who worked brilliantly together making new friends and learning new skills. This was a real success and something we will be doing more of with other year groups across the MAT.

LAB meeting (6.3.18)

On Tuesday the local Advisory Board meet for their half termly meeting. If you are interested in finding out more about the LAB please see the relevant section on the school website.

Writing Workshop (6.3.18)

On Tuesday parents, grandparents and carers were invited into school to attend a writing workshop. The staff provided an opportunity to share with you how we teach writing. The workshop was for any parent, grandparent or carer of a child in Nursery and Reception. This workshop was aimed at adults who want to support their child and understand the way we teach writing and the requirements for writing in these different year groups. Thank you to all who attended we felt it was a really good meeting and hope that you feel better informed when supporting your child at home.

Rev Den KS2 assembly (7.3.18)

On Wednesday we welcomed Rev Den into school for one of her special assemblies.

Movie Night (9.3.18)

On Thursday we had another Movie night. We showed two movies again this time following the success at the last movie night. The children chose between Despicable me 3 and Lego Ninjago. Thank you to the PSA and staff for organising and running the event for our children to enjoy.

Mother's Day (9.3.18)

Once again we celebrated Mothers day. We always appreciate and understand that some children may not have a Mum but may well have a Grandma, Nana, Auntie, Sister, Carer or Guardian; someone in their life who is of equal importance providing that female role model, someone very much loved who could share this experience. It was lovely to see so many children enjoying sharing their learning with the special lady in their life. There was a lovely buzz around school. We hope that you all enjoyed the afternoon.

Book Fair (9.3.18)

Following World Book day, we opened the book fair during our Mother's day celebration afternoon. Thank you to everyone who came along and bought a book. We will let you know how much we raised once all the money has been counted up.



Important Information

NEXT WEEK

Mad Science Day (13.3.18)

On Tuesday we will be celebrating British Science week by having our very own Mad Science day. We are encouraging our children to dress as mad scientists. They can be as creative as they want to be! All week children will be taking part in various Science related activities linked to their topic for this term.

Year 1 & 2 Reading and Writing (SAT's) Information evening. (13.3.18)

On Tuesday our year 1 and 2 team will be following on from our Nursery and Reception English information evening. Helping parents to understand what reading and writing looks like in years 1 and 2. The evening will focus on the expectations of standards for children by the end of year 2 and SAT's, which are taken in May for our year 2 children. A letter has been sent out. The meeting will take place in the KS1 hall and will start at 6pm. All parents and grandparents are welcome.

Reception Stay and Play (15.3.18)

On Thursday we have another one of our stay and play events. Mrs. Earl / Mrs. Hurst class is 9 -9.30am and Mrs. Glovers reception class will be held at 2.45-3.15pm.

Year 2 Tatton Park Visit (15.3.18)

On Thursday as part of the year 2's topic on Victorians the children will head off to Tatton Park where they will spend the whole day in character. They will take part in a variety of tasks just as they would have done during the time of Queen Victoria. They will be making beds, baking scones and scrubbing floors and polishing the silver. A really great experience, with lots of fun along the way.

Year 5 My World Graduation (15.3.18)

8 of our year 5 children have been working on the My word project this year. This project involves them working with children from other local primary schools on a number of tasks. The project enables children the opportunity to find out about life skills and link those to the world of work. They have visited a number of different places as part of this project. The project concludes with group presentations from the children and the children then graduate from the project.

Dress Down Day (16.3.18)

On Friday we invite all children to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a small gift that's donated to the Easter Bingo.

Nursery Stay & Play (16.3.18)

On Friday Nursery will be having another one of our stay and play events from 2-3.15pm. All parents or Grandparents are welcome to join us for this session.

Year 5 Pbuzz

Year 5 will be continuing with their Pbuzz music lessons this week. They are doing really well so far and getting better each week!

Year 1 & 2 Football

On Friday some of our year 1 and 2 children along with Mr. Hazeldine will be taking part in a football tournament.

GENERAL

Women's Basket Ball League Tickets

We have managed to get a significant number of tickets for the Women's British Basketball league trophy final on Saturday 14th April at 4pm at Cheshire Oaks Arena Ellesmere port. We are going to hold a raffle for the tickets. If you are interested the tickets will be sold from the office at 50p a raffle ticket. If you are lucky enough to get drawn out of the hat you will win 4 free tickets to the event.

Dates

Please see the calendar section of the school website for all up and coming dates. The calendar is colour coded so you can easily identify events that are relevant to your child/children.



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Nursery—Miss Wilks

This week the smartest giant came to town! We drew round ourselves to see how big we are, then coloured ourselves in. We've also threaded ribbons to make jumpers for the giant, and painted a giant crown for him. We've had a lot of fun playing outside as well this week and using the bikes. We've introduced a lot of letter sounds and initial sounds for children who are ready, we use jolly phonics songs so if you'd like to practice at home then please take a look at jolly phonics on youtube! The children love to sing them and the actions help them to remember.

Please can we just remind you again not to send toys into Nursery, just to avoid the risk of toys from home being lost or broken.

Last but not least, Happy Mother's Day to you all this weekend. Everyday the children talk about how much they love their Mummy's, we hope you have a wonderful and well deserved day!

Year 1— Mrs Bloor, Mrs Rivers & Mrs Hunter & Mrs Gawn

This week in Year 1 we have been listening to the story of The 3 Little Pigs. We have made our own story maps to retell the story and discussed the characters in the story.

In Maths, we have been looking at place value. We have been grouping objects into sets of 10 and we have also been practising counting in 10's.

On Thursday, local builders Taylor Wimpey came into school to judge a colouring competition. Thank you to everyone who entered and well done to our 3 lucky winners.

We hope our special visitors enjoyed our STEM activity afternoon today to celebrate Mothers Day – it was lovely to see you all taking part in the activities. Have a great weekend and enjoy Mothers Day.

Reception—Mrs Earl, Mrs Hurst & Mrs Glover

The children have really enjoyed playing in the underwater role play this week and we have seen the children swimming around with arm bands or rubber rings on! Some of the children have been doing some fantastic drawings of vehicles that can travel on water.

In maths the children have been working with money. Each group has had the opportunity to go to the class toyshop to buy something using real pennies. They also have been comparing amounts saying which items cost more or less.

It was lovely to see so many parents at our writing workshop on Tuesday and we hope you found it very useful and enjoyed seeing your children's writing books.

In literacy the children have been impressing Mrs Glover and Miss Tierney with their writing. They have been writing labels and captions about how to care for pets.

The reception children continue to love working on the messy table and have used paper, paint, string, feathers etc. to make some wonderful things.

Next week the Julia Donaldson book we are looking at is 'Sharing a shell'. We think the children will enjoy the seaside theme and we will also be looking at how we can be good friends.

Have a lovely weekend and please look on tapestry on Sunday for a special message to all the Mums.

Year 2—Miss Simms

This week in English we have started looking at a book called 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. We had lots of fun reading the book and finding out all of the reasons that the crayons were fed up with Duncan. Who knew crayons felt overworked? The children took part in some great role plays. Some children were the crayons, and practised telling Duncan all the reasons that they were annoyed. Other children played the part of Duncan and had to find a solution to stop his crayons from quitting! Later in the week we then pretended that we were Duncan and wrote a letter back to one of the crayons.

In maths this week we have had our final week looking at shape. The children have used their knowledge of the properties of different shapes to decide which 'net' belonged to each shape. We have also been looking at putting shapes into patterns.

In our topic lessons this week we have been preparing for our trip to Tatton Park by looking at Queen Victoria and life in Victorian times. The children are all very excited!

Have a lovely weekend!



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Year 3—Miss Chapman & Miss Watson

This week in Year 3, we have been focusing on letter writing in English. We have been imagining that we live on a tropical island and have seen an impressive but devastating volcanic eruption. In Maths, we have been focusing on statistics. In particular, we have been exploring pictograms and bar charts, then analysing the data we have collected. In SMSC, we have been thinking about our feelings - What makes us happy and equally, what makes us sad. We discussed how our body reacts to these feelings and how we can support one another if we are feeling angry. Friday was a very exciting day for Year 3 as we had a special visit from Paul Sculthorpe, the ex St Helens Rugby League player, who came to talk to us about rugby and did an exercise session with us. It was also our Mother's Day celebration where we invited parents in to take part in our STEM activities. A reminder that next week, we will begin making our deep sea creatures so any resources that could be brought into school would be extremely helpful.

Year 4—Mr Hazeldine

In English, we have been writing information reports about an underwater volcano. First, we used an app to locate and find lots of underwater volcanoes around the world. Using this, we have researched further to gather information about a specific one. We have then put the information under subheadings and put them into the format of a report.

We have continued to look at fractions in maths. On Monday, we consolidated our learning of equivalent fractions to further build up on our understanding. Following this, we have looked at fractions greater than one. We have also been counting in fractions.

In topic, we have been looking more about how volcanoes are formed. We took in lots of information about this! Our task was to label a diagram. We were amazing!!

We have made some lovely Mother's Day cards, we hope you liked them. It was lovely to spend the afternoon with so many of you on Friday. Thank you for coming.

Have a lovely weekend!

Year 5—Miss Spencer

Year 5 have had an extremely fun week this week! On Tuesday, we were extremely lucky to take part in an outdoor adventure day with year 6. We arrived at Brereton Heath and we were joined by years 5 and 6 from Wheelock. We took part in different activities including orienteering, tent building and team building games. All of the Shavington Staff were extremely impressed by year 5 (and 6) and commented on how well they behaved and integrated with the other school. It was lovely to see pupils shine in the outdoor environment! Miss Spencer was amazed by our map reading skills, they were much better than hers!

In English this week, we have continued to write our non-chronological report on the amazing Komodo dragons. We are definitely experts on them now. We worked hard to add in all the grammatical elements that we have learnt so far in year 5. Our grammar focus for this week has been using adverbs to show possibility.

In maths, we continued with our fraction work and we can see that everybody is becoming much more confident with fractions now. We have been comparing fractions with the same and with different denominators. Today, we pushed our learning even further by comparing mixed number and improper fractions.

In science, we have continued learning all about the planets and we used our mnemonics from last week to see if we could remember the order of them. It was a success!

Have a great weekend!

Year 6 - Miss Brock

This week has been filled with lots of activities that go beyond English and Maths. On Tuesday, we joined forces with the year fives and sixes from Wheelock Primary School for a day of outdoor activities. We went orienteering that had us challenging our direction skills, whilst extending our science knowledge as there was a quiz to complete as we went around the forest. We also carried out some team building activities and games to boost our ability to work in a team.

For our Art sessions this week, we have created some Mother's Day cards ready for our celebration on Friday afternoon. We asked ourselves how we could adopt the generic message to fit our female influences so that we can really show them how much they mean to us.

Maths this week has been on finding a percentage of an amount as well as using this to find missing values and working out percentage increases and decreases.

In English we have been editing our formal letter to a Knight, helping inform him all about the Code of Chivalry. We have now moved onto non-chronological reports: identifying the key features and answering some comprehension questions based on a good example. Next week we are going to use this to help write our own report based on Knights, their importance, their clothing and other main facts that we can find.

We have continued to write-up the experiment we took part in Science last week, using the results we collected to draw conclusions.

A big thank you to all of our female role models that took part in our weekly STEM afternoon. Please see the blog for photos.



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Star of the Week



Class	Teacher	Pupil	Achievement
Reception	Mrs Earl/Mrs Hurst	Oliver Moore	For working hard all of the time
Reception	Mrs Glover	Olivia Shaw	For settling into her new school really well
Year 1	Mrs Hunter/Mrs Gawn	Vinnie Hassall	For super story map writing
Year 1	Mrs Bloor/Mrs Rivers	Jacob-James Astbury	For fantastic writing
Year 2	Miss Simms	Autumn Lennon	For being resilient with spelling and writing all week
Year 3	Mrs Watson	Kacie Doorbar	
Year 3	Miss Chapman	Eliza Carson	For being a reflective tortoise in her work, always trying to make improvements
Year 4	Mr Hazeldine	Jessica Burgess	
Year 5	Miss Spencer		
Year 6	Miss Brock	Whole Class	For phenomenal behaviour at Breerton Heath

We are on **Week 1** for dinners next week (W/C 12.03.2018)

The Golden Table

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| <i>Olivia Shaw</i> | <i>Libby Evans</i> |
| <i>Daisy Wood</i> | <i>Harrison Walker</i> |
| <i>Bobby Morrison</i> | <i>Emilie Scott-Atack</i> |
| <i>Annabelle Carney</i> | <i>Josh Hughes</i> |

Attendance



Sports Personality of the Week

