

Happy New Year!

Year 2 – Absorbency

In Science this week the Year 2 children carried out an investigation to find out which kind of paper towel is the most absorbent. They predicted what would happen in the investigation and considered what they would need to change and what would need to stay the same to make it a fair test. The cost of the paper towels was also taken into consideration to see if the more expensive towels were more effective.



Year 1 – Bark Rubbings

This week Year 1 looked at trees to see how different they are in the Winter compared to Spring and Summer.

The children were able to make the most of a lovely winter day to take their learning outside in the school grounds.

They drew pencil sketches of the trees and made bark rubbings of deciduous and non deciduous trees using coloured crayons to look at the different patterns of the bark.

Reception – Exotic Fruits

After reading the book Handa's Surprise, a story about a little girl who collects fruit in a basket for her friends, the children were given the opportunity to taste, touch and smell some of the fruits featured in the book.

Using mango, guava, pineapple, orange, avocado and passionfruit the children tasted each fruit in turn and made comments on the taste, smell and texture. At the end they made a chart to see which fruit was the most popular.



Achievement Pyramid

1st to Silver

Pippa – Yellow Class
Well Done!

DIARY DATES

Friday 20th January

Blue Class Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday 25th January

Full Governing Body Meeting

Friday 27th January

Purple Class Assembly 2.30pm

Friday 3rd February

Orange Class Assembly 2.30pm

Tuesday 7th February

Safer Internet Day

Thursday 9th February

Yr2 Great Fire of London Workshop

Friday 10th February

Red Class Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 23rd February

Mega Maths Afternoon 2.00pm

HALF TERM

Mon 13th – Fri 17th February

Monday 27th February

Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 1st March

Parent Consultations 5.00-8.00pm

Thursday 2nd March

Roald Dahl Drama Workshop

Friday 3rd March

Green Class Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 9th March

Yr1 Visit Aldenham Country Park

Friday 10th March

Yellow Class Assembly 2.30pm

Quiz Night 7.00pm

Thursday 16th March

Yr2 Visit St. Albans Cathedral

20th-24th March

Book Fair in School

Wednesday 22nd March

Full Governing Body Meeting

Thursday 23rd March

Lovely Literacy

Friday 24th March

Red Nose Day

Non Uniform Day Easter Egg or £1 donation

Thursday 30th March

Easter Fair 2.30-4.00pm

SPRING TERM 2017 ENDS

Friday 31ST March at 1.30pm





Dick Whittington - Panto

We started off the new Spring Term with a Panto – Dick Whittington. The children were transported to old London town to see if the streets really were paved with gold for Dick Whittington and his cat. The children were enthralled and cheered their way through the entire performance.

After the show reception children drew their favourite part of the show, year 1 wrote about their favourite character or part of the show and Year 2 retold the story.

£100 Donation

A friend of the school has kindly donated £100 to our iPad Fund. Mrs Bains sent us a cheque before Christmas in memory of her Father Pritam (Peter) Singh Bains, BA., BT holder of Burma Cross and formerly Headmaster of a school in India. Mr Bains would have celebrated his 100th birthday in December 2016 and we would like to thank Mrs Bains for her very generous donation.

Children's Centre

The Spring Term Programme of activities is now available from the link below. Please let us know if you would like a paper copy.

http://www.hertsmere-children.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Leavesden_spring2017.pdf

Eat Well for Less

The BBC is on the hunt for households looking to save on their food shop. The Eat Well for Less show follows Masterchef's Gregg Wallace and award winning greengrocer Chris Bavin on a mission to prove that it is possible for families to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste and nutrition. They hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, they can help to show where we can source the best and cheapest quality food. Interested in applying? Telephone 0117 970 7635 or email eatwell@rdftv.com.


Back To School Magazine

Take a look at this great digital magazine FREE for all parents of primary school children. It's packed full of advice to help you get the best out of primary school for your child. Just visit this link to read completely for free: www.backtoschoolmagazine.com

Attendance

Yellow Class won the cup for attendance last week with 100% - excellent! Blue and Yellow Classes were the best for punctuality with no late arrivals. We celebrated 100% attendance for the Autumn Term in assembly this week when the children were presented with certificates and badges. Names have been published on our website.

Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. If you arrive late, after 8.55 am, it is important to sign your child in at the school office.

ORANGE	85.0%	RED	92.2%
GREEN	94.8%	YELLOW 	100%
BLUE	89.2%	PURPLE	95.8%

Literacy Challenge

Can you write a sentence using the different types of end punctuation: . ! ?

Philosophy For Children (P4C)

Would you rather be able to swim or fly?

What do you think?

DIARY DATES cont'd

SUMMER TERM 2017 STARTS

Tuesday 18th April

18th-21st April

Poetry Week & Handwriting Competition

Tuesday 18th April

Verse Speaking Heats

Easter Assembly for children with Father Robert

Wednesday 19th April

St.. Georges Disco 5.00-6.00pm

Friday 21st April

Verse Speaking Final

MONDAY 1ST MAY

School Closed – Bank Holiday

2nd-26th May

KS1 Statutory Tests

Monday 8th May

Class Photographs

Friday 12th May

Stranger Danger Assembly with PCSO Keith Sayers

Thursday 19th May

Year 2 Gulliver's World Visit

Wednesday 24th May

Full Governing Body Meeting

Thursday 25th May

Year 1 Whipsnade Visit

HALF TERM

Mon 29th May-Fri 2nd June

FRIDAY 30TH JUNE

Occasional Day – School Closed

SUMMER TERM 2017 ENDS

Thursday 20th July at 1.30pm

FRI 21ST & MON 24TH JULY

INSET Day – School Closed for

Children

Footwear

Please ensure your child has footwear suitable for the wet and icy weather conditions we are experiencing at the moment. You can provide wellington boots to change into if you wish

Letters

Sent Out This Week

Diary Dates

eSafety Newsletter

Evening Football Club Leaflet At Watford Leisure Centre