



Our News

Although last half term flew by, we still managed to fit plenty in - including a visit from Chef Caldora where we made a delicious salad. We've also made fantastic progress on our year 5 garden! We have made flowerpot men and planted various herbs and sweet peas. We have also been investigating the impact that waste plastic has on our environment and looking for ways in which we can recycle plastic into other products. The children worked in groups to design and make various everyday items from recycled plastic bottles. Year 5 had a wonderful time at the Black Country Museum where we were transported back to the Victorian era. One of the highlights of the day was having a lesson from the Head Master, Mr Bradley, in the Victorian school.

This half term we will be learning about:

Science: Earth and Space - light and dark, day/night, seasons and orbits of the planets.

History - historical evidence/ theories about the formation of our Solar System.

Geography - we will be looking at journeys into space.

Art - we will looking at artists whose work is influenced by space.

Design Technology - we will be making planets.

RE - our focus this term will be on Islam.

PE - Outdoor (Thursday) we will be focussing on team games.

PE - Indoor (Tuesday) we will be focussing on dance and gymnastics.

Music - children will continue to learn to play the recorder with Ms Deans. Recorders **must** be in school every Friday for music lessons.

You can support your child this half term by:

Reading

We completed our class reader, 'Street Child', which we have thoroughly enjoyed studying as part of our work on the Victorians.

This half term we will be looking at a variety of short stories by different authors including Anthony Browne and John Burningham.

Well done to all the children who are continuing to read regularly at home each week! Children who read at home and have comments in their diaries are rewarded with Dojos each week!

When reading, it is important children are able to explain how the text they are reading contributes to the meaning of the story or information as a whole, e.g:

How do you think the character feels at this point? How do you know? (evidence)

Writing:

We will be looking at Shakespeare's, Macbeth, with a particular focus on the Witches poem in order to write scripts and produce performances.

In grammar work we will be revisiting apostrophes for omission (e.g. don't, couldn't) and for possession (e.g. Darcey's coat). We will also be working on cohesion within a paragraph.

Please focus on spelling challenges for this half term. Spellings are an integral part of English and allow writers to express themselves clearly and with meaning.

**Spelling Challenges: 5/6,
26/6 and 17/7**

Maths

We will be concentrating on measures in mathematics as well as refining our skills for all our Year 5 learning. It is important to know and be able to convert between different units of measurement e.g. 3.6kg = 3600g. The children must also be able to calculate and compare the areas of squares, rectangles and compound shapes (using two or more basic shapes to make another shape). Lots of practise at home will help the children with their class work.

Please continue to practise all your times tables and maths challenges as these foundation skills help to access all areas of mathematics.

Maths Challenge – Thursday

Believe it, Achieve it!

Maths Celebrations

Well done to the following children for moving up in their maths challenge:

Gabe, Zach, Mille F, Matthew, Ewan, Sam, Libby S, Callum, Finley, Mia, Thomas, Ruby, Takqueel, Amelia, Oliver, Noah, Paige and Madison.

English Celebrations

Well done to these children who moved up in their spelling challenge:

Caitlin, Paige, Amelia and Henry

Dates for diaries

Monday 11th June - Science Week

Wednesday 13th June - Class photos

Friday 15th June - Father's Day assembly

Thursday 21st June - Scoot Fit Festival

Mon 25th - Thu 28th - Bike ability

Friday 29th June- Wizard of Oz production

Monday 2nd July - Arts week

Tuesday 10th- 13th July- Book Fair

Wednesday 11th July- Learning Journey Meet the new teachers 3-4pm

Thursday 12th July- reports out

Monday 16th July- Parents Appointments (if required) 4-5pm

Friday 20th July - Last day of term



Happy birthday to the following children for this half term:

Shay

Izzy

Jayden

Ewan

Matthew

Thomas

Finley

Meaka

Amelia

Archi

Seth

PUPIL OF THE MONTH

Well done to Noah, who was our 'Pupil of the Month' for April.

Well done to Libby, who was our 'Pupil of the Month' for May.

KINDNESS AWARD

Well done to Leon, who won our Kindness Award for May.

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