



School Newsletter

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Message from Miss Massey

After half term we have a new School Lunch Menu with a variety of choices including: well balanced main meals, a vegetarian option, jacket potatoes with a varied choice of fillings, cold deli, and tasty desserts. Mrs Galley will email the new menu out to everyone via Parent Mail over half term. Please let your class teacher know if you would like to start having school lunches. **ALL** children in Nyong'o, Attenborough and Johnson Class are entitled to **free school dinners** under the Universal Infant Free School Meal umbrella.

As I am sure you are aware, we have been experiencing some very wet weather of late! With this in mind, please could you make sure that your child/children have a coat with them.

Dates for your diaries

Friday 28th May– Non uniform day

Friday 28th May– History workshops in school

Monday 31st May– 4th

June– Half term break

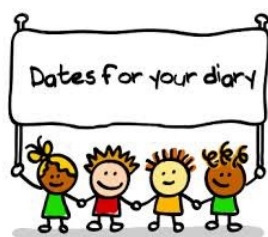
Wednesday 16th June– YOYO Prayer and Reflection spaces day

Monday 21st June– Theatre Royal in filming Shakespeare n Year Six

Thursday 15th July– Sports Day

Thursday 22 July– Year Six Leavers Service

Friday 23rd July– Break up



Parental Controls on Devices

It's been drawn to our attention that some children have been accessing inappropriate content on certain apps, predominantly YouTube. Please see below for some help on how to set parental controls on your devices:

YouTube– Parental Controls

Browser-Based Parental Controls

1. Go to **YouTube.com**, click Sign In and log into your Google account. ...
2. Click on your Profile icon in the top right corner.
3. Click Restricted Mode in the menu.
4. **Turn On Restricted Mode.**
5. Close the window.

Here's a look at how to do it on the YouTube mobile app:

1. Open your **YouTube app** and sign in.
2. Tap your profile icon to go into your Account. ...
3. Choose Settings. ...
4. Tap Restricted Mode Filtering. ...
5. Hit the close button to confirm the setting. Pull down on the list of videos to refresh the feed.

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Nyong'o Class

What another amazing week of learning and investigating in Nyong'o class this week. My favourite part has definitely been watching the children through a mixture of trial and error build circuits to light a bulb! (Our challenge set in the Investigation Area) Everyone wanted to have a go and they all supported and helped each other to achieve success. In Maths this week we have been learning about 2D & 3D shape and describing them. To help with this we constructed our own shapes out of art straws and Mrs Dessi set up a shape making extravaganza in the Creative Area! Again, the children showed great perseverance and support for each other to achieve the end goal. In Literacy this week we have been writing the start of the story 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch', using our Talk for Write to help us. Mrs Lennon led us in a great challenge for Wild Wednesday but by the end we had all managed to make our own hats!



We have learned some interesting vocabulary such as 'ingenious' and 'concocted'. We have practised using adjectives to describe our very own disgusting sandwiches to put off the wretched seagulls from eating Mr Grinling's lunch. Whilst the weather was still bright, we explored our shadows, drawing around them and creating different shapes. In maths we have continued practising subtraction using our tens frames and writing number sentences. We have also been building our own 2D and 3D shapes in the outdoor area. We have been exploring more of the similarities and differences between seaside holidays between the past and now and learning how to sort them using venn diagrams. We loved learning how to safely use our climbing apparatus in PE and challenged ourselves to be brave and climb higher. Throughout the week we have enjoyed practising our handwriting skills and Mr Levick is coming to celebrate our progress by choosing the most improved handwriters of the week!

Well done Attenborough! You have worked so hard this week!

Attenborough Class



We have had another wonderful week of learning. The children have worked really hard on learning the story of The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch.

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Johnson Class



This week in Johnson class we have been looking at fractions... and had a very healthy and very delicious feast while doing it! We used bananas and oranges to support our learning of comparing fractions in shapes and in numbers, making sure that our groups were as equal as we could make them. We certainly earned our snack after all that hard work!

In writing, we have written our own version of the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch. We have written about Harry Potter the Racetrack caretaker, Bob the policeman, Mr Stitch the ski instructor, and many, many more! All of them unfortunately had their lunches stolen by different sneaky animals... but all the problems were solved in the end, with some fantastic vocabulary included as well!

We have also explored our knowledge of maps in Geography by making our own maps of the school playground. Can you recognise some of the features in our map below? Our art skills were also put to the test by making moving pictures of the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch. Some of us showed the lunch moving, some of us showed Mr Grinling rowing, and some of us even made those sneaky, scavenging seagulls stealing the lunch! We continued our dance and even played bench dodgeball in PE, which we were especially good at. In Science, we pushed our knowledge of food chains further by discovering what carnivores, herbivores, and omnivores were. We were very surprised to find out that carnivores can be tiny, just like a kingfisher!

We have had an incredibly busy week and I am incredibly impressed with how hard all the children have worked. Well done, everyone!

Farah Class

Farah class has had a splendid week learning the correct terminology for writing and discussion fractions! Do ask us at home what we have learned! We have been practicing our 8 times tables as well. Please ask your little Farah class member one of the 8x table and see how quickly they can answer you..... Maybe on a drive or a walk somewhere?

We've also, presented our persuasive letters to Miss Massey, asking her if she would allow us to have a crisp packet recycling bin in school! She listened carefully to all our arguments but our concern for the environment and how St Barnabas' could help was overwhelming and she agreed! (Ms Graystone is now on a mission to secure one!)

In Science, we learned about the sun and ultraviolet rays (UV) and the damage that it could do to our skin. We tried putting sunscreen on some UV beads as an experiment. Turns out that Ms Graystone's 4 year old sun lotion isn't as effective as a newer bottle!

Finally, we have been learning about Star Carr's replica artefacts, courtesy of the DIG museum in York. We tried to figure out what each item was made of and what it would have been used for..... and no... it isn't a toothbrush or a dried up Haribo!



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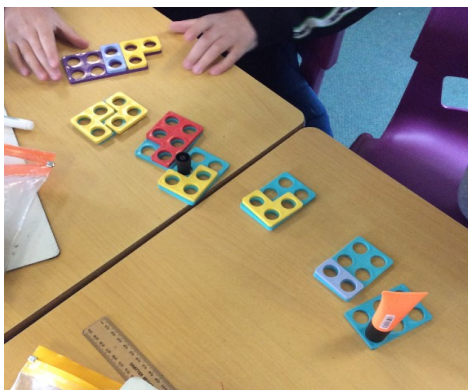
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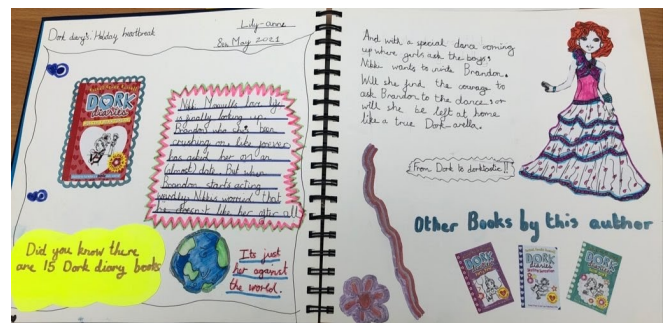
Kahlo Class

It has been an absolute pleasure to teach Kahlo this week, as they have been filled with enthusiasm and dedication towards their work this week. We've been working hard to solidify all our features of a biography in English (ready to write them next week!) and our fractions work has been grounded in using physical apparatus. From plotting fifths on jug to fill it to different levels, to using numicon to create different fractions, these concrete resources have really helped us on our fractions journey.

Outside of this, our scientific knowledge about light is ever growing, we've learnt lots about Stone Age settlements (manure in the buildings to keep them warm!) and even managed to put up with Mr Levick's Eurovision obsession throughout the week - making him nearly cry after a really indepth discussion about the lyrics of Voices; Sweden's entry this year.



Sentamu Class



Sentamu Class has once again had a jammed-full week of learning and embedding previously held skills. In maths, the children have been finding out how to calculate percentages of quantities using the most efficient strategy as well as converting between percentage, fraction and decimal equivalents. They have also been practising their protractor skills that they learned a few weeks ago through an investigation into the angles of incidence and reflection in science. Using concentrated light rays through a narrow slit and reflecting the rays off a mirror, they discovered that the two angles are always the same. It called for good observation and team-work.

In English, the children are using the events from Crater Lake to write a recount of the arrival of the characters at the notorious activity centre. For some, including the "bloodied hands against the window" detail was irresistible! We are also encouraging as many of the class as possible to borrow the reading scrapbook for a few days to write entries about their favourite books.

In between the downpours of rain, Sentamu Class are also honing their rounders skills and I was so impressed with how much more prepared some of them are to face a ball travelling at speed in order to contribute to their team's score. Well done Sentamu!