



School Newsletter

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Courage, Compassion, Creativity

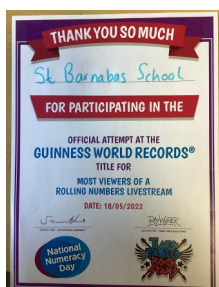
Message from Miss Boardman

What an incredibly busy week in school!

Alfie the Therapy Dog (through PetsasTherapy) made his first of his regular visits and he really enjoyed hearing the Y3 children read. All children in school will be able to spend some time with Alfie with Y3 having the first turn for a few weeks.



KS2 children took part in a record breaking maths event with TT Rockstars on National Numeracy Day and Y3/4 were inspired though attending a workshop with the author Michael Morpurgo.



Children look fantastic in their jubilee outfits today and have been amazed by their work about the decades of the Queen's reign this week. Our party lunch outside was a great success.



Maxine Squire, CYC Assistant Director of Education spent a morning in school looking at children's learning and behaviour and talking to the School Council. She was very impressed with the calm and purposeful feeling in school and at breaktime and the way in which the children are 'living our values' of courage, creativity and compassion.

On Thursday, some of Year 6 were chosen to participate in the National Children's Parliament, an event in memory and legacy for Rt Honourable David Amess. We engaged with famous faces including David Davis MP (the former Brexit secretary), Maggie Oliver (who helped resolve the Rochdale scandal) and Lennox Rogers (a reformed gang leader). The debate covered topics such as the Ukrainian war, online safety, knife crime, and the environment.



The children were mature, articulate and enthusiastic in their responses, making thought-provoking questions that could into the heart of the debates. Hallie even had a question she asked answered by the co-chair of the debate! She asked about how we can track our local MPs vote, and they pointed us to www.theyworkforyou.com - a resource to see how our MP has voted!

Huge well done to Hallie, Hunter, Lily-Anne, Abigail and Queenie - we can't wait to see which of you ends up running the country as a budding politician in the future!

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Congratulations to the superstar children receiving awards this week:

Nyongo: All of Nyongo

Attenborough: Eliza and Sofia

Johnson: Molly and Hollie

Farah: Oscar, Lucas and Taylor

Kahlo: Isabella and Lilly

Sentamu: (Y3 morning): Nasma

Lunchtime Award: Lucas (Farah)

Headteacher Award: Adam (Nyong'o)

Goodbye Miss Curry

Today has been Miss Curry's last day at St Barnabas as she is moving on to a new job with the National Trust.

Thanks to her for all her incredible work , educating and caring for the children in Reception Class for the last 9 years at St Barnabas.

We wish her well in her new job.



Dates For Your Diaries

Monday 13th July 9am —St Barnabas Day service at church

Friday 1st July—non uniform day & Nyong'o bake sale

Friday 15th July—family picnic and sports day 12:-3:15pm

Thursday 21st July — end of term disco in the evening

Friday 22nd July 1:45pm— Leavers' Service at church / 3:15pm school closes for summer

Term Dates have now been set for 2022-23.

[Click here to view them.](#)

After School Club

The Queens Jubilee

Tea party

Wednesday June 8th

Bring a dressing up outfit and be a king or queen for the day!



Scavenger hunt

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Afternoon Tea

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Pin the tail on the corgi

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Arts & crafts

3-5pm

£5.00 per child

*Please book on parent pay or with Mrs Cook in the office

- The Out of School Club telephone number is: 07518735956.

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Nyong'o

Miss Curry

I've had a wonderful last week with Nyong'o Class and I really will miss them all so much. They are an amazing group of children and it has been a privilege to teach them this year. This week in Phonics we have been learning about different endings on words e.g. 'ed' as in 'jumped', 'ing' as in 'swimming' and 'est' as in 'strongest'. We also learnt the new tricky words 'out' & 'today'. I was very proud of everyone in Literacy for trying their absolute best to write as much of the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' as they could in our big write. We even had a special snack to celebrate! In Maths this week we have been learning about addition and looking at number bonds to 8, 9 & 10. Miss Boardman came to visit us during one of our maths sessions and was amazed at the children's knowledge! Well done everyone!

We read the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood' on Wild Wednesday and then had to hunt all around the outside area to find the pictures that told the story. We then ordered the pictures to retell the story before enjoying some games of Hide and Seek & Duck, Duck, Goose! For our Understanding the World this week we learnt all about the 1950s as our decade to talk about in assembly. The children were brilliant at drawing and writing about what we found out. Our final dance session was lots of fun making up a final dance sequence of three parts and in PE we did some more races in preparation for Sports Day.

Well done everyone, you have been amazing!



Attenborough

Miss Davison

Lovely final week of this half term Attenborough. We have had an amazing week learning all about the Queen and the Jubilee class poem about celebrating the Jubilee which we performed in celebration assembly. In maths we have been revisiting over the topics we have learnt this half term with numbers to 100, multiplication, division and fractions of halves and quarters. In phonics we have revisited sounds i (igh), a (ai), ow (oa) and u (yoo) and the tricky words two, eye, thought, through and friend. Feel free to practice these at home.

In science this week we compared wild and garden flowers and went on a hunt around school to find some wild and garden flowers. In computing we carried on using the Chromebooks to write sentences using our new knowledge of the different keys on the keyboard. Wild Wednesday was a windy session of reading the story of Little Red Riding Hood, hunting for the story pictures and sequencing them in order before having a hide and seek game. In Geography we looked at the locality of Africa and looked in detail at the African elephant and the environment it lives in. PSHE this week we thought about who can help us in school and our local community and how to ask for help from the right people and in PE we had our final session of Hockey, learning some tackling and having some little hockey games.

Well done everyone, see you after half term!



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Johnson

Mrs Taylor

What a great week to finish off our term! The children have been working hard yet again. This week in maths the children have been persevering with time and even though they find it tricky are definitely becoming more confident. Miss Boardman also popped in to see what the children could do. We have one more week of time after the half term before moving on to measurements. See if you can do any measuring over the half term?

In English we have been looking at different genres of writing and this week we have done a report on the Queen. The children have loved finding out facts and watching videos of the coronation. We have also been researching about the 1990's and the children have enjoyed pointing out lots of differences to today. We have laughed a lot at how things were different and also some things that surprised them that were from the 90's.

In our Geography we got to look at an ancient Wonder of the World this week. The great pyramid of Giza. The children wrote some interesting facts and then even had a go at making their own pyramid.

Well done Johnson class, have a lovely half term break.



Farah

Mrs Bruce

We have had a great last week of half term with some fantastic learning going on.

In maths we have been continuing our work on money, using our skills to solve some really tricky problems involving sharing amounts in different ways.

In English we have been writing an information leaflet about the Queen's Silver Jubilee for our Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Mrs Bruce chose the 1970s as she remembers going to a Silver Jubilee party! They have found out lots of interesting facts, including that the gold carriage isn't very comfortable.

Our science lesson was very noisy this week as we were investigating how to change the volume of the sound. We found that if you hit or shake something harder, it gives it more energy which increases the vibrations and makes a louder sound.

In geography we looked at Route 66 across the USA.

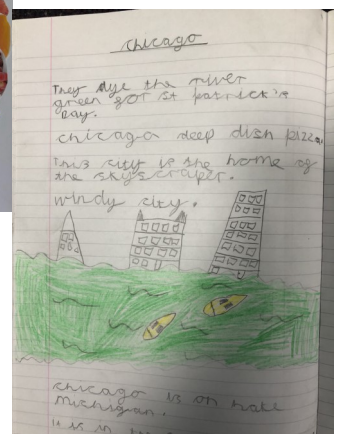
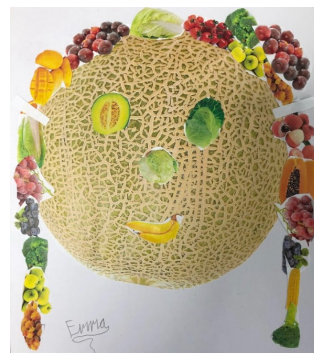
The children worked in pairs to find out and journal information about a section or city along the route.

They found some really fascinating information.

We looked at a different artist in our lesson on Friday, Arcimboldo, who created pictures out of images of fruit and vegetables. We made our own versions which are fabulous!

It was our last swimming lesson this week. They have all made such progress and have really enjoyed themselves.

I hope you all have a lovely half term, that the weather stays dry and we can all enjoy the Jubilee bank holidays.



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Kahlo

Mr Levick

It has been a thrilling week in Kahlo Class this week, all of whom have worked their socks off in everything they've done. We've had a busy old week, never seeming to stop and moving from one activity to another. In our maths, the Year 5s have been finishing their work on volume and capacity, whereas the Year 6s have completed some tricky problem solving activities surrounding angles, circles and geometry.

During our reading sessions, we had the absolute pleasure to chat to Michael Morpurgo - a personal childhood hero of Mr Levick's! We learnt lots about his life, why he wrote books and the inspiration behind many stories like War Horse and Butterfly Lion. We then read an extract from 'When Fishes Flew - Elena's War', a book written by Michael Morpurgo himself.

As part of our jubilee celebrations, Kahlo Class have been researching the 00s as a whole decade - with a particular interest in their outrageous (and sometimes questionable) fashion, the amazing footballers and the music of Britney Spears, Beyoncé and Green Day. The children have really delved into this decade and learnt a lot; they've particularly enjoyed seeing Mr Levick be so nostalgic for his youth and questioning why people in the 00s did strange things.

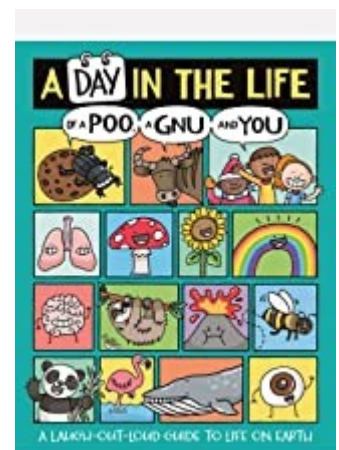
Another cracking week, well done Kahlo!



Reading

On the Friday after half term Key Stage 2 are having a very exciting event, a visit from the author Mike Barfield. He is a writer, poet, performer, songwriter, ukulele player and cartoonist who has written a number of books for children including 'A Day in the Life of a Caveman, a Queen and Everything In Between,' and 'A Day in the Life of a Poo, a Gnu and You.' His talks are really interactive so it should be a fantastic experience. There will also be the opportunity to order books at a 15% discount from Blue House Bookshop and to have them signed.

We have some copies of 'A Caveman, a Queen and Everything In Between' to look at. The children who have seen it have found it full of interesting stuff and enjoyed reading it.



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Clubs


Craft and Games Club for EYFS and KS1—Every Wednesday from the 15th June to the 13th July 3.15 to 4.15pm

Cricket and Rounder's Club for EYFS and KS1—Every Thursday from the 9th June to the 7th July 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Dance Club for KS2—Every Tuesday from the 14th June to the 21st July 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Hockey Club for KS2—Every Friday from the 10th June to the 15th July 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Everyone who has already completed the google form has been given a place and there are still more spaces available! If you would like to sign your child up after the half term, please contact the school office on 01904 555152 or email stbarnabas@york.gov.uk



**Sunday 5th June
at St Barnabas
Church**

**10.30 Pentecost All Age
Celebration and Communion
Service in the church**

Please bring picnic chairs/blankets
for both events, but ordinary chairs
will also be available.
Parking at school.

**12.00 Short Jubilee Service,
followed by party**

Bring your own picnic, or items to
BBQ and have fun, with bouncy
castles. Everyone welcome!

