

Newsletter



28th May 2021

Class News

Penguins and Puffins

We have come to the end of a great half term. The children have worked so hard over the past few weeks and we have been very impressed with how grown up they are becoming. The children are becoming so much more independent in their reading and writing. Please support us with developing their independence at home, especially getting ready for school and carrying their own things to and from school.

In literacy this week we have spent some time assessing our phonics knowledge. The children have also shown us how good they are at using their phonics and tricky words when writing a sentence independently. Well done Puffins and Penguins.

Maths this week has been so much fun. We have explored capacity in lots of fun ways - sand and water play, making playdough and an exciting science experiment in the woodland! Our half term challenge will be linked to this.

We hope that all our families have a great half term break. We hope that the weather is kind and you enjoy some well-deserved family time together.

Owls, Woodpeckers and Robins

We have come to the end of what has been a packed full half term. All the children in robins, woodpeckers and owls have worked incredibly hard. They have produced some incredibly creative stories this week, building on their hard work developing characters and settings. We wrapped up time this week in maths, looking at problem solving and durations of time. The children have loved our science topic all about plants. This week we looked at the different parts of the tree and their functions as well as different garden flowers and wild flowers that we've seen. All the key stage one team are so proud of the children and look forward to welcoming them back after a sunny half term break!

Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

We are extremely proud of all the Waterbird children this week. They have worked hard to complete all of their assessments and we are blown away with what they have achieved. Well done! Also, this week, the children have been amazing scientists. They planned and completed an investigation to answer the question, 'Which drinks are bad for our teeth?' The children were shocked by the results. Continuing with their Science work, they also completed a hands-on demonstration of the digestion

system. Some children loved getting stuck in and pushing the food through the intestines. However, others couldn't believe the process and were repulsed. It will definitely be a lesson they remember. Thank you for all of your hard work this half term. Have an active and joyful half term.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

We have had another busy week in 5 & 6. Within literacy, the children have investigated the features of newspaper reports and have successfully used these within our own slow write on the events of Little Red Riding Hood. We will be continuing to develop these skills after half term. In maths we have finally finished our rotation of percentages, decimals, fractions and algebra. They have worked tremendously hard to develop tricky mathematical skills. Crater Lake is continuing to be a hit in Book Club and we will be continuing with this after half term.

During topic this week, we have explored what Propaganda is, why it is used and how to spot it. We looked at different examples, both historical and current, and had fantastic discussions on the role it plays and its impact. Also, within creativity, the children have put all of their fine art skills into practise and created beautiful 'Wonder' inspired faces.

It has been lovely to see the Year 6's enjoy their leaver's hoodies. We hope you all have a fantastic half term and enjoy the break.

Year 6 Hoodies

Year 6 would like to say a massive thank you to FOWS for their leaver's hoodies. They were presented with them this morning and have proudly worn them all day! We think that they look fabulous. Thank you so much for organising and funding them; we are extremely grateful!





Post Lockdown Fitness Challenge

Year 5 and 6 were set a challenge this half term. As a class, the children were given 10 minutes to run as many laps of the field as possible. All the laps were added together to give a class total. Each week in assembly the children found out who came 1st (3 points) 2nd (2 points) and 3rd (1 point).

It was very close!

Winner announcement:

Eagles= 1st place (15 points)

Hawks= 2nd place (13 points)

Kestrels= 3rd place (12 points)

Special acknowledgements:

Kestrels: most improved class over the 6 weeks

Hawks: achieving the highest amount of runs in 10 minutes- 212

Well done Year 5 and 6!

House Points

Pegasus: 45

Griffin: 20

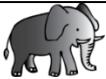
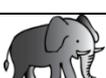
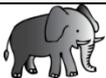
Dragons: 24

Phoenix: 24

The Hive

Our junk modellers have thoroughly enjoyed sticking, gluing, tearing, squishing and squashing all the donated junk. Their creations have appeared before our eyes and entertained us all week, there has even been a walking talking helper robot who can make tea! Thank you to everyone who donated. Also, our gallery wall is looking rather splendid, the addition of delicate water coloured and mixed media art has been very welcome. On rainier days, the children pass the time sketching or colouring pictures and we marvel at their talent. In other news, the pom-pom box has been brought out of retirement and straggled balls of wool have found themselves bound wound and snipped into bright fluffy spheres. Outside, the fresh air has lifted our spirits, velcro bats have captured their velcro ball buddies and the jump ropes have been whipped overhead and underfoot to the sound of excited skip songs. We are really looking forward to a nice rest over half term and hope that you do too.

Praise Winners

Class	Name	Animal	Reason
Penguins	Freddie Indiarna		for super neat handwriting
Puffins	Arnie Tom		for being kind and helpful to children and staff
Robins	Luna		For showing great attitude towards her work
Owls	Rowan		For showing determination and resilience for learning to tell the time
Woodpeckers	Oscar		For writing a super story
Swans Teachers Award	Megan		beautiful geometric Islamic pattern
Swans Pupil's Award	Mia		being a great friend and role model.
Sandpipers Teacher's Award	Bodhi		For amazing Science knowledge and ownership of his own learning.
Sandpipers Children's Award	Emmie		For being a good, caring friend.
Kingfishers Teacher's Award	Eva		For amazing hard work and focus all week in all of her lessons.
Kingfishers Children's Award	Ellie		For always being kind and caring and never giving up.
Kestrels Teacher's Award	Jacob		for an excellent understanding of French verbs and transport.
Kestrels Children's Award	Katie		for working hard in all lessons and being a kind and funny friend.
Hawks Teacher's Award	Brogan		for working hard and pushing himself in all areas this week.
Hawks Children's Award	Dylan		for fantastic participation in the Propaganda discussion.
Eagles Teacher's Award	Issy		fantastic progress in her newspaper article ideas. Great progress in writing.
Eagles Children's Award	Ella		for fantastic progress in her handwriting!

THE PROBLEM WITH POPPY

Meet the Author & Craft Session



A FREE, fun-for-all-the-family event organised by Franklyn Financial Management, Full Media Ltd and Visyon

Come and meet children's author Emma Sandford and her publisher Nick Jones. They will read Emma's new children's book, 'The Problem with Poppy', and talk about the inspiration behind the porcupine and tiger who are the main characters from the story.

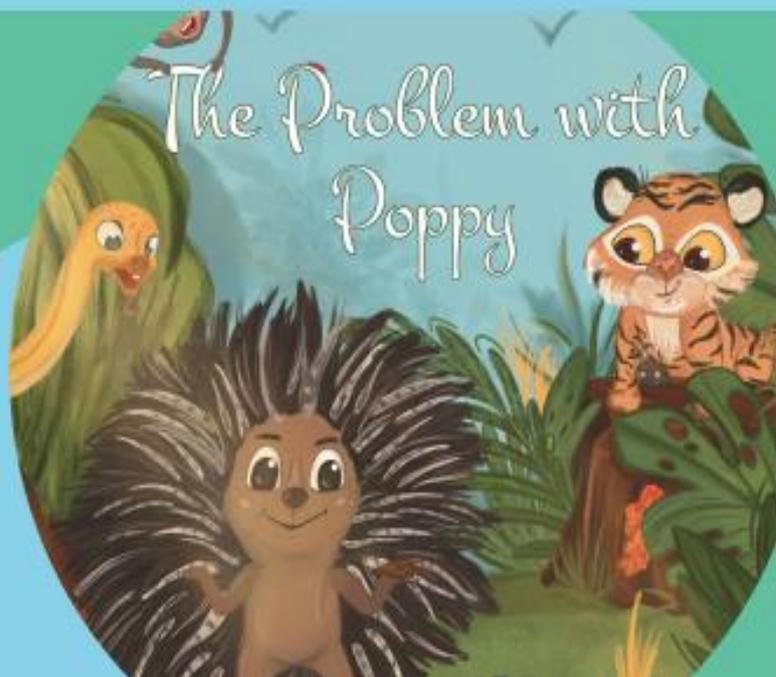
Followed by a fun craft-along session led by the wellbeing team from children's mental health charity Visyon.

Tuesday 1st June | 10am - 11am via Zoom

Register Here: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PB3j7nNAQLu45anjyCUf-Q



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