

Right start : Bright Future

Friday 10th January 2025

Headteacher Weekly Message

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and that the new year has started positively for you and your families. A huge thank you to all of you for ensuring the children have returned to school prepared and eager to learn. Your support makes a big difference. We celebrated many children who had amazing attendance in the autumn term in assembly today and thank you for always getting the children to school on time. More certificates and awards at the end of the spring term.

We have cancelled our Doodle online portal as less than 10% of pupils have been regularly using it. Those pupils who do have up to 365 day streaks this year and enjoy the bespoke learning. Access will end 13/03/2025. For any parents who would like to continue with using Doodle at home, I can offer a discount code for you to use: <https://help.doodlelearning.com/en/articles/6424403-discount-code-school-no-longer-subscribing-to-doodle>

We have some coats in the junior lost property already, they are inside door 1, please come and get them. All children need their warm coats and hats in this cold weather.

We understand that parking around the school is challenging, but it is essential to respect our neighbours access to their driveways. We have received complaints about this regularly happening . Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain good relationships with our local community.

Important Dates

- 13.1.25 Y3 Topaz Library visit
- 14.1.25 Y4 Amber Swimming
- 15.1.25 Y4 Amethyst Swimming
- 15.1.25 Y6 Coral & Y5 Emerald Library visit
- 16.1.25 Y6 Ruby & Y5 Diamond Library visit
- 20.1.25 Y6 Opal & Jet Library visit

Skye Cam



Gold Merit Awards

Congratulations to Firoz (Obsidian) & Sophie (Amethyst)

What have we been up to this week?

It has been lovely to see the children come back this week rested and ready to learn. We have started our new topic Starry Night. The children have been listening to the story of Day Monkey, Night Monkey by one of our favorite authors Julia Donaldson. The children have enjoyed telling us all about night and day, especially talking about the stars and planets!

At the art table the children have been looking at Van Goghs' painting called Starry Night and painting their own masterpieces. We have been impressed with their creations as we have some budding artists in the Nursery!

On Friday we had a treat as the children had the opportunity to have a Outer Space workshop with Space Girl and the Evil Captain Commander. The children had a fantastic time and all joined in with the various activities.

Finally, we have been talking about the weather as it has been very cold this week. The children were talking about the ice on the floor and how what we need to do to keep warm.

Merits this week

Iden, Summayah, Arian, Gurekam and Aasiya for excellent homework.
Noor and Vanizhea for settling in and being very brave for their first week of Nursery.

Karina and Harjoban for playing nicely together.

Maahi for super story telling during putting on a puppet show.

Srihani for being super kind and teaching her friend how to put his coat on.

Liban and Yahya for completing a repeated pattern .

Elisha for writing her name using a pattern of colours.

Photos from our week



Reminders

We will start sending reading books home next week— please remember to buy a book bag if you have not already done so

The Deadline for Reception applications is 15th January 2025— please apply online through www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

What have we been up to this week?

Happy new year! This week we have been learning our new sound 'oo'. We have been using the sound to read new words such as 'book', 'look', 'foot' and 'wool'. We have enjoyed making pictures with wool and paint! In Literacy, we have begun to read 'Little Red Riding Hood.' We have enjoyed retelling the story using masks. Also, we have painted characters and describing how they might feel at different parts in the story. In Topic, we have begun our new topic 'A long time ago'. We had a great time during our fairytale workshop as an introduction to our topic, learning to move and dance like different fairytale characters. In PE, we practised different ways we can move our bodies by bending, jumping, twisting and spinning. We practiced different moves and put them together to make a dance.

Finally, in Maths we have been learning how we can see and make 5. We have looked at what smaller numbers make 5 altogether.

Merits

Oak Class

Minha– For using her imagination when in the roleplay area and helping other children join in with the retell of Little Red Riding Hood.

Madansai– For super sitting and listening during carpet input.

Raghvi– For beginning to use expression when reading our monster phonics books!

Adam– For using lots of creativity when at the modelling table and creating Eid decorations independently.

Shane– For his super participation in PE! Well done Shane for joining in.

Birch Class

Mithran, Alice and Haya– For working so hard to create their own Little Red Riding Hood stories.

Reyaan– For super settling back into school and his routine.

Wenzel– For counting and recognising numerals to 10.

Arni– For super listening in PE with wonderful moving in different ways with her body!

Elm Class

Nazrawi for his incredible focus and perseverance during P.E. and for mastering the skill of skipping.

Bhavaya for her remarkable progress in reading, achieved through dedicated practise at home.

Aayan for making excellent progress in reading and for expanding his vocabulary with new words.

Saeena for her excellent listening skills in P.E. and for carefully following instructions.

Alankritha for her kindness, demonstrated through attentive listening and her warm, friendly smiles toward others.

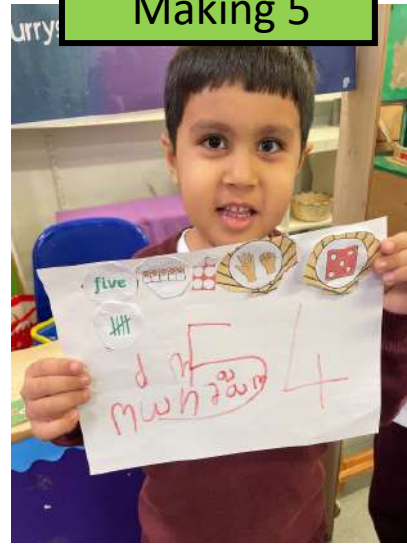
Imaan for confidently sharing photographs of her holidays and enthusiastically telling the class all about her experiences.

Photos from our week

Building castles



Making 5



Wool art



Sharing information



Building a bridge



Reminders

Today's Fairytale Workshop Thank you so much for logging into ParentMail to consent and pay £2.90 for the dance and drama workshop today. The children had a wonderful time!

Reading Record Books Please remember to check your child's reading record book for the reading task at the start of the week and write a comment in the parent section. Speak to the teacher if you are unsure what to write and we can give you some guidance.

Tapestry We have some parents who are still not signing up and logging in to Tapestry. Please do, as it is a wonderful chance to see what your child is doing in school and tell the teachers what your child is doing at home.

What have we been up to this week?

This week we have been reading 'The Lonely Beast' and making predictions. In Maths we have been ordering and comparing numbers. In science this week we have been using Venn diagrams to sort different materials and describe them. We have enjoyed naming the continents and oceans of the world !

Merits

Beech Class

Taybah— her fantastic piece of art work!

Yassin—for sharing his ideas on Christianity.

Amelia—for using her phonics when writing sentences.

Leila—for comparing and ordering numbers in maths.

Ibraheem and Kiaan—for a fantastic prediction of the book 'The Lonely Beast'.

Willow Class

Scott—for a fantastic acrostic poem about the earth!

Avelyn—for creating an amazing 3D sculpture using paper.

Maia and Alijon—for being able to identify the points on a compass and use them to describe positions on a map.

Jessica—for amazing dance moves during our concert!

Riaan—for being able to describe the properties of materials in science!

Maple Class

Aashvi and Adam for being able to compare numbers using greater than and less than symbols.

Amber for an amazing acrostic poem about the Earth.

Shivjot for using super adjectives to describe his Nativity costume.

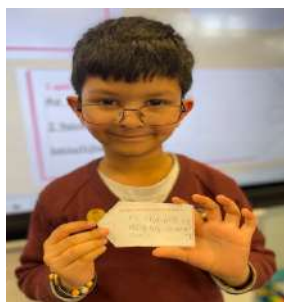
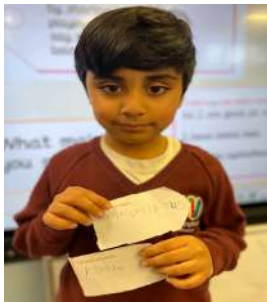
Eva P for trying hard to improve her handwriting.

Renil for his amazing performance in our Christmas concert.

Photos from our week



Look at our amazing projects!



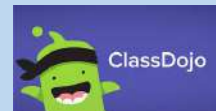
We made tags of kindness!



Look at our amazing art work!

Class Dojo

Beech— 675 Maple – 522 Willow– 786



Reminders

Homework book (orange book) is due every Monday.

Please make payment on ParentMail for upcoming trip 'The Look out Discover Centre' - Wednesday 5th March 2024.

What have we been up to this week?

Happy New Year to our wonderful Year 2 families.

The children are delighted to be back at school and started the year off with lots of new activities. In English we have started to read our new book called Hom. Children have written predictions and compared the two characters using thinking frames. In maths they have been busy identifying and using arrays for multiplication and division calculations. They have started their new topics — Movers and Shakers and in science they have started to learn about Everyday uses of Materials. The children have also started to learn about Christianity in RE.

The children will also be learning about the author of the half term—Julia Donaldson.

Merits

Aspen

Ayesha for confidently reading a story to the class in her home language.
Aarav, Aiza, Nolan and samir for excellent projects including lots of fascinating facts.
Jawhar for making good choices and being sensible.

Sycamore

Leo, Anum, Harjap and Mia for representing our school on a PE event last term and winning the 4th place out of 20 schools— Well done !

Chestnut

Alyaan for demonstrating super listening skills during carpet time.
Zaina for persevering when identifying and drawing arrays in maths.
Jade for her super effort in English using conjunctions - but, so and if
Riaan for his super effort and understanding of using the multiplication symbol.
Ayansh S for his wonderful effort in phonics, identifying and using suffixes - less and - ful
Mirha for trying very hard in ICT to give accurate instructions to her partner to draw an object.

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Photos from our week

ICT

Maths



Art



Class Dojo

Aspen— 289

Chestnut— 456

Sycamore— 321

Reminders

You are invited to join us for the reading café. Please arrive at 2:30 in the office.

Reading Café dates:

14.1.25 Chestnut

21.1.25 Sycamore

11.2.25 Aspen

What have we been up to this week?

In English this week the children have explored their new class text, 'Wisp—A Story of Hope'. They created predictions using their inferencing skills looking at the blurb and front cover.

In Maths, we continued our learning of multiplication and division whilst looking at multiples.

This week in PE we started new topics of Dance and YOGA! The children loved expressing themselves in the first week's lessons.

Merits

Turquoise Class

Efren and Sarah C—for their exceptional start back after the new year, they came back smiley, positive and hard-working!

Mahdia—for her improved contributions during lessons, she has made an amazing effort to answer questions and participate during input.

Eesa—for his amazing improvement in his behavior and attitude to learning! Well done!

Annaya—for attempting to come out of her shell a little more after the Christmas holiday and gain greater confidence to speak in class.

Lapis Class

Isaac and Kinaya for their super listening and participation during our music lesson this week!

Samiha and Amaya for their accurate predictions about our new class text 'the wisp'.

Aarav and Yashvi for their excellent learning in Spanish and recalling 5 instruments—well done!

Sapphire Class

Nia and Yuvaan—for their understanding and application of multiplying in 10's.

Ayaan and Declan—For their retrieval skills in English when defining and using new vocabulary.

Kimaarya and Bogdan—For their balancing skills in yoga, showing composure and calmness.

Topaz Class

Lava and Akshansh— for settling in at our school and getting accustomed to the schools routines.

Ben— for his fantastic patience and efforts when practicing different yoga poses in PE.

Oliver and Amayapreet— for their fantastic determination when multiply a 2-digit by 1-digit number using the column method in Math's.

Yunus— for being keen when learning about Celtic warriors in History.

Photos from our week



We started Yoga in PE! We learnt all about different balances and how to be mindful.



Lapis class started learning a new instrument and they had so much fun!

Class Dojos

Lapis— 135

Topaz— 204

Turquoise – 124

Sapphire— 163

Reminders

Homework was set on Thursday and is due in on Monday.

What have we been up to this week?

This week, in English we have been observing our new class text 'The Great Kapok Tree'. We observed the front cover and made predictions about the story. We also explored different dilemma scenarios to come up with logical and reasonable resolutions.

We had fun exploring the new AI writing resource Writer's Toolbox and focused on how we can improve our writing precision.

In Maths, we have been using our multiplication knowledge to explore factor pairs as well as using factor pairs to identify equivalent calculations.

In music, we started our first ukulele lesson in Year 4, with a specialist music teacher.

Merits

Moonstone class

Imaan for excellent predictions from the front cover, showing clear understanding of stated and implied details. Ishaq for creativity in Writer's Toolbox, demonstrating great enthusiasm and originality.

Karthik and Osman for identifying and exploring factor pairs accurately, applying multiplication knowledge well.

Sudhera and Rajveer for insightful discussions on the Five Pillars of Islam, showing deep understanding of their importance.

Obsidian class

Sofia, Georgia and Eva—For producing excellent still life compositions with a 3D effect using a range of artistic techniques and tools.

Qasim—For showing excellent perseverance and working well with logo programming. He did not give up even when it was a challenge.

Pranvik—For putting great effort into his English comprehension based on a factual text. He showed excellent retrieval skills and gave detailed answers.

Muazz—For making excellent predictions around our new text The Great Kapok Tree and justifying his predictions with evidence from the front cover.

Amber class

Anoud- For her brilliant perseverance in understanding and identifying factor pairs in Maths this week.

Aydin and Khyana- As they showed great imagination and creativity in predicting what might happen in 'The Great Kapok Tree'

Akshith- For displaying phenomenal behaviour and always wanting to help this week.

Miriam and Ali- As they showed great determination in PE this week and managed to dance elegantly.

Amethyst class

Lilia— For making a conscious effort to be more independent and apply the correct mathematical strategies when learning to identify and explore factor pairs using her knowledge of multiplication this week.

Anvi— For working collaboratively with her peers and expressing good ideas and resolutions when learning to explore the structure of dilemma stories in English.

Joshua— For showing skill and logical thinking when learning to interpret and use detailed grid references and map symbols to find specific locations during our Topic lesson.

Esther— For taking more initiative to share her thinking and ideas during class discussions.

Rizzia— For taking care with her handwriting and ensuring that her work is presented neatly and legibly.

Lionel— For showing motivation and actively participating in his learning this week when exploring writing precision on Writer's ToolBox with the Writer's Toolbox team.

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Photos from our week

We painted our still life compositions using a range of techniques.



Class Dojos

Obsidian— 482

Amber— 398

Amethyst— 324

Moonstone— 437

We started our Ukelele lessons.



We took part in activities related to an amazing new website called Writers Toolbox.



Reminders

Homework is posted on Google Classroom every Thursday and is due by Monday. Spellings are also uploaded on Thursdays, with tests typically on the following Thursday or Friday (check with your child's teacher if unsure). Weekly overviews are available on the school website to see what your child has been learning.

Homework will be set across platforms like MyMaths, Doodle, or Writer's Toolbox; check Google Classroom after 4 pm on Thursdays. Purple Reading tasks should be brought to school daily, alternating weekly between reading questions and writing tasks. Encourage daily use of Doodle and TTRS. We may also provide worksheets for homework; however, all instructions will be on Google Classroom.

What have we been up to this week?

In Maths this week, we have started our new topic of multiplication. We have multiplied 2-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers and 3-digit numbers by 2 digits, using area models and formal methods. In English this week, we were very excited to start our new book- Cosmic! We used our inference skills to predict what the book might be about using the front cover. We also worked hard to independently write our cold task newspaper articles. In PSHE this week, we discussed our dreams and goals for the future and what we can do to help us to reach these– it was very interesting to hear the different dreams and goals of the children! In Topic, we have started to look at The Shang Dynasty in ancient China! We've had a very busy first week back!

Merits

Jade class

Aaron– for his excellent explanation to the rest of the class about multiplying using the area model.
Bhasrithaa - for always working sensibly and remaining on task during lessons!
Avyaan - for his brilliant participation in yoga whilst learning how to try different poses!
Zuhaa and Aaran - for their great work in English when applying their retrieval skills.
Jana - for consistently raising her hand to contribute thoughtfully and enthusiastically to class discussions.

Pearl class

Azmat— for an excellent, well-illustrated writing task, creating a fact file on Leonardo Da Vinci. Keep it up!
Gokul and Anand— for their fantastic yoga sequence, understanding how breath can help us move from pose to pose. Well done!
Shrashti— for learning to identify contact and non-contact forces in Science. Well done!
Emelia and Haniya— for writing an excellent prediction on our new text 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell-Boyce using their inferencing skills. Well done!

Emerald class

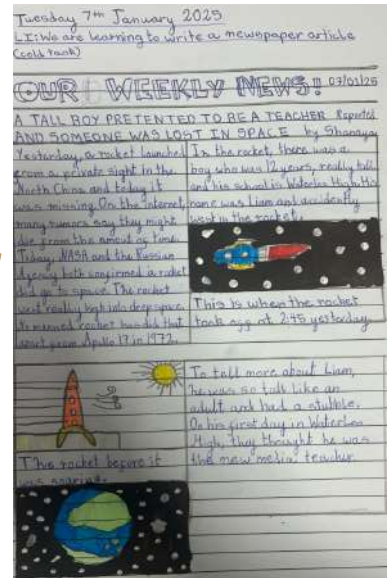
Firenze and Adveka - for their great work in English when using retrieval skills to develop their understanding of the book, Cosmic.
Menaal and Adam - for their fantastic work this week in PSHE when discussing their goals and dreams for the future.
Yasmin and Puneet - for their amazing work in RE when looking at the term 'impermanence' and drawing an image to interpret what this means to them.

Diamond class

Samiha— for her amazing work in Maths when using different methods to multiply a 2-digit number by a 2 digit.
Sai and Cherish - for their brilliant participation in PE when doing yoga and trying out new poses.
Leon and Nicolas - for having a positive attitude towards all their learning this week.
Prish— for his brilliant reading out aloud with prosody in English.

Photos from our week

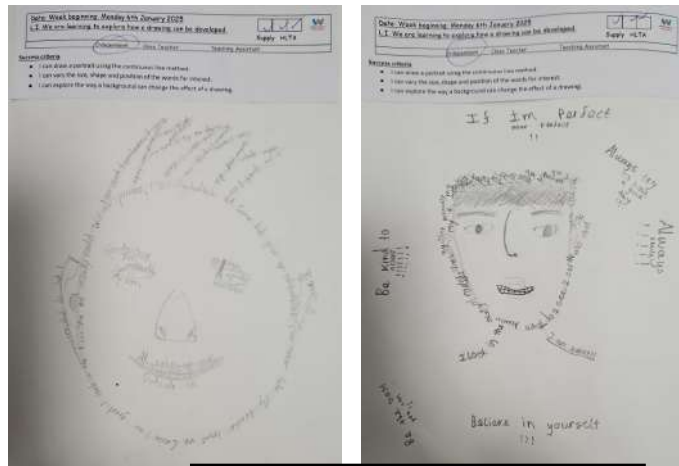
We created fact files on famous artists for our writing tasks.



Writers Toolbox came to visit.



We've started a new text - take a look at our cold tasks.



We've started our new topic of forces in Science, and Yoga in PE.



In Art, we created poem portraits!



Class Dojos

- Jade— 106
- Emerald—181
- Diamond— 288
- Pearl— 245

Reminders

Homework is uploaded on to Google Classroom on a Thursday and is due back on a Monday.

What have we been up to this week?

In Maths this week, we have started our new topic of Ratio. We have worked hard to explore ratio language as well as using symbols to compare amounts; we also explored how fractions and ratios are similar and different. In English, we have started our new topic of 'Alma'. The children have loved this and have made superb predictions based on the audio. We have also spent a large chunk of our week exploring the meaning of vocabulary within a text, as well as identifying antonyms and synonyms. In Topic, we have been learning to explore Anne Frank and developed an understanding of the impact the war had on her life, and wrote a diary entry in role as Anne using 'show, don't tell'.

Merits

Coral

Kushika— for her fantastic reading task showing a super understanding of the events and characters in the text.

Kevin—for his super calculations when working with negative numbers.

Neev—for his excellent recall of key facts in Science.

Romaine—for his fantastic responses to reading comprehension questions, showing a great understanding of vocabulary in the text.

Aysha—for making excellent progress with her arithmetic since the start of the year.

Smrithi—for her fantastic explanations in Maths, applying ratio language with accuracy.

Opal

Vedhanth and Nihal—for their accurate Maths work on scale factors.

Yashvi—for her super explanations in Maths, applying ratio language with accuracy.

Macbeth and Parnika —for their super comprehension in English, explaining how the author made particular word choices to enhance meaning.

Ruby

Vinuga—for his fantastic prediction in English of what he thought the narrative was about from listening to an audio.

Jaymin - for his detailed descriptions of how living things are classified into broad groups according to common features in Science.

Zayd - for writing a descriptive narrative based on watching a video clip in English.

Ikram—for working well independently in Topic when writing a diary entry in the perspective of Anne Frank.

Dillon -for his curiosity in Science; asking questions about our topic, classifications of living things, and researching to further his knowledge.

Fatima—for making a great start, following the core values, in her first week at Wellington School.

Jet

Delber, Diya and Klaudia - for working hard to maintain their scores in our weekly arithmetic papers.

Elena - for her great work in English, she made super predictions that were justified with evidence based on 'Alma'.

Synda - for showing determination and hard work to improve her Maths scores by attending interventions on time and giving 100%.

Vicken – for his clear explanations of ambitious vocabulary during Guided Reading.

Photos from our week



We had fun creating a dance sequence in PE.



Class Dojos

OPAL - 162

JET - 191

RUBY - 146

CORAL - 187

Reminders

Homework—Maths homework has been set MyMaths and English homework has been set on Doodle, it is due back on Monday.

Please ensure you have given consent on ParentMail for your child to attend the upcoming library trips.