

Snapshots of the Week

Week: 08 November to 12 November 2021



This week...

Music

Last week, we launched our 'Singsation' Choir for KS1. We are starting by looking at some songs we can sing for Christmas. The ukulele club continue to build their skills, learning chords and they are starting to play some simple songs. 'Showstoppers' are enjoying doing their 'Tune Baboon' warm-ups and they are singing some great songs like 'We're Detectives' and 'I Just Want to Sing!'.

Our KS2 choir have absolutely loved singing this term and they gave a great performance of Roller Ghoster in assembly and are now focusing on Christmas songs. The samba band have had a great start and are really getting into the rhythm of what samba music is all about, whilst the recorder players have also made a great start to the year.



Year 3

Year 3 have had a great start back this half term. We are learning in detail about exactly what 'Wonderful things' Mr Howard Carter found in the tomb of Tutankhamun in 1922. We have also learnt the difference between primary and secondary sources. In English, we have loved reading The Egyptian Cinderella and discussing the similarities and differences between it and the original Cinderella and other traditional tales. In maths, we have worked hard at using the inverse to check our answers.

Reading

As a school we place a huge emphasis and value on reading for pleasure and as a part of this we are hoping to expand the selection of books within our school library. With school budgets currently stretched to their limits, we are looking for some parental help with this task, to enable us to provide a range of books which will encourage and motivate our children to read. With Christmas just around the corner, we have set up an Amazon Wishlist containing a selection of books that we would like to add to our library. The list has been created from both staff and pupil recommendations. If you would like to buy a book for our library as a Christmas gift to the pupils it would be greatly appreciated. Here is the link to the wishlist:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/EQ3JVAS3V947?ref=wl_share

Year 4

Year 4 have made an enthusiastic start to their art learning this term. They have particularly enjoyed using their new sketching pencils to explore different hatching techniques and then using these techniques in observational drawing. We were really impressed with the way they were able to give feedback on each other's work and suggest improvements.

New Reading Logs

We are delighted to share that your child will be coming home with their newly-designed reading log on Monday. We ask that from this point forward you record all home reading in here. These will be checked weekly, on a Monday, when all books are changed. Please take a look through the log as there are some key bits to support at home with comprehension and spelling. For now, please keep the temporary reading logs in your child's books bags. If you have any questions about your child's reading, please do contact the class teacher.

Just a gentle reminder...

It is not only days that matter; every minute counts. Arriving on time means children can walk into class with their friends. This increases their sense of belonging and creates a calm start to the day. Learning begins promptly after registration at 8.50am. Your child deserves the very best so it is paramount they are here on time. We would like children to arrive as near to 8.40am as possible. This gives all children the chance to settle into school, catch up with friends and prepare for the day ahead. The morning activity between 8.30am and 8.50am supports in learning and varies day to day. By aiming for 8.40am your child will have a calmer start to the school day ensure readiness for learning.



Reminders for next week...

Clubs

All after school clubs and music tuition will be running as normal.

Please can we ask you promptly collect your child at the end of their clubs. All clubs finish at 4pm.

PE Day

Please remember on your child's set PE day to send them in wearing their PE Kit.

Reception – Wednesday and Friday

Year 1 – Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 – Monday and Thursday

Year 3 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 – Tuesday and Thursday

Anti-Bullying Week



Don't forget to send your child into school in their odd socks on Monday 15 November to mark the start of Antbullying week.

Footwear in school

Please remember that all children should be in either black school shoes or smart plain black trainers (no logo, stripes or coloured soles) on uniform days.

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