



NEWSLETTER – Friday 29th September 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming as many parents as possible to our first open classrooms of the year. This is taking place today from 3:15pm.

We welcomed YMCA into school on Thursday who delivered an engaging assembly for our Year 5 and 6 pupils about mental health and well being.

This week we have purchased some new playtime equipment and now cannot wait for this to arrive so the children can begin to play with it.

Thank you to all pupils who took the time to create a design for our new school values. School council have looked at every design entered and have made their choice. They now can't wait to announce the winners!

Have a lovely weekend.



OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK

YEAR 3

YR3 have been exploring the character of their traditional tale story this week, before beginning to plot their story on a map. This is preparing them for then writing it independently. I can't wait to read them!

In Maths children have been comparing numbers to 1000 and using their place value knowledge to put numbers in ascending and descending order.

Geography has involved looking more closely at Norwich on a map and discussing the services in the city as well as comparing to rural areas of Norfolk.

In Science we have been flexing our muscles and talking about what they are called and why we have them - some of us ached at the end of the lesson!

In PSHE we have been talking about the qualities of a good friend and strategies to repair friendships and in French we followed instructions to colour and make finger puppets.

Well done - you are settling in so well.

Please don't forget the YR3 museum trip next week and the week after - look forward to it!



YEAR 4

Year 4 have been planning and writing their stories this week in English based around the book 'Bike Boy'. They have been sharing their great ideas about growing up and what they plan to do later in life.

In Maths, we are making Roman numerals and have found them in all sorts of places including chapter headings.

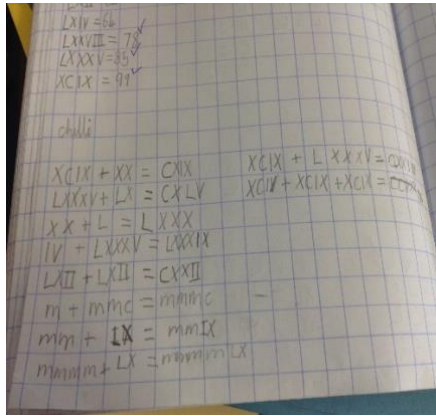
In Science we looked at our results for keeping our teeth healthy. We examined our eggs. The vinegar made the shells dissolve and the egg became very bouncy. It actually bounced too much becoming a very messy egg!

In Geography, Route 66, we found out what life is like for Native American Indians and the difference between a tepee and a wigwam.

In PSHE we have been looking at friendships.

In PE we have started doing more basketball competitive games.

We have put the library trip in the diary for 3rd November. A date for your diaries.

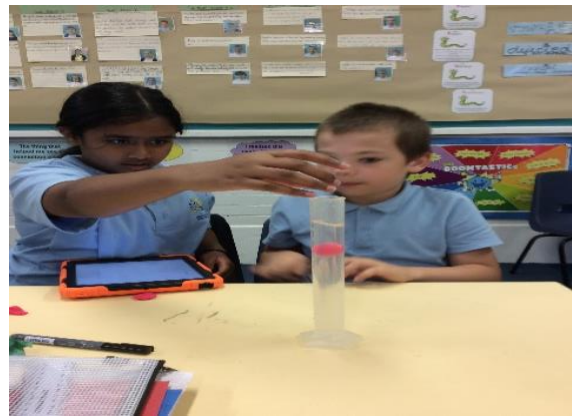


YEAR 5

An amazing week in year 5. We have been busily working on rounding numbers to the nearest 10,100,1000, 10,000 and 100,000 and looking at numbers all the way up to 1,000,000. We have also started addition and subtraction, focussing on mental methods.

In our writing we have planned and written adventure stories based on Gorilla by Anthony Browne.

Our History this week was learning all about life for ordinary people during ancient Greek times. During science, we learnt all about water resistance, carrying out an experiment testing how quickly different shapes fall through water.



YEAR 6

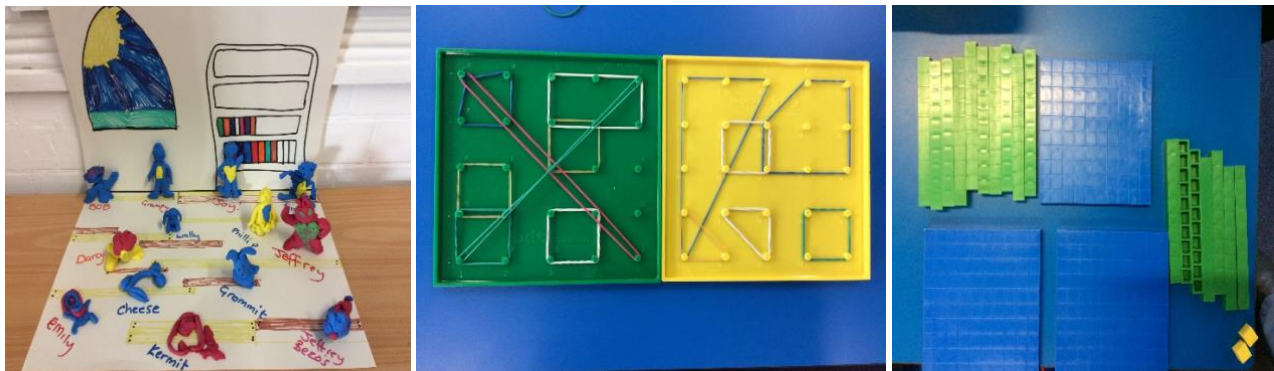
What a week! Year 6 had their SATS mock week this week. They worked super hard and really persevered and we are so proud of them for trying their best. When we haven't been doing mocks, we have been looking at addition in maths and we have started writing our independent pieces of work that are horror themed! In science, we learnt all about the eye and how it lets light in so we can see different things. On Tuesday, 6 Palacio looked at Lubaina Himid in art (see below!), 6 Ness researched recipes containing our 'hero ingredients' and 6 Morpurgo learnt about cracking codes and Bletchley Park in computing. All of

Year 6 continued their Samba journey in music, sports in French and fitness in PE. On Thursday, we learnt all about Greenhouse Gases in geography and continued to look at the expression of personal identity in PSHE. Finally, we finished the week off with more Hockey!



Blake Class

Blake Class have been very creative in their learning this week. We have been using our new geoboards to help with our fine motor skills and remind ourselves of previous learning about polygons. We remembered the names of lots of 2-d shapes and tried to create these with rubber bands. In art, we looked at the work of Keith Haring and created our own sculptures. Each one individually is colourful and interesting but we think that when they are together, they create more of an impact. In maths, we have been looking at partitioning numbers and we used counters and Base 10 to show how numbers can be flexibly partitioned. We showed 3- and 4-digit numbers in a variety of ways. We then used this understanding of exchanging to help us to complete column subtractions. We find it really useful to use equipment to see how things work before we do our calculations on paper. In science, we thought about life cycles of humans and looked at how plants grow from seeds. We also worked out that plants and humans need a lot of the same things to be healthy!



Our school attendance target is 95%

Our attendance certificate for the highest class attendance this week

goes to **3 Lewis** With **98 % Well done!**

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....