


Friday 24th September 2021

NEWSLETTER

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Attendance	
Nursery	89%
Reception	92.1%
Year 1	95.9%
Year 2	92.7%
Year 3	84%
Year 4	97.7%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	97.1%

	Star of the Week	Superstar Learner
Reception	Ryan	Christelle
Year 1	Avelyn-Mary	Jaida
Year 2	Andre	Olivia
Year 3	Jude	Arjun
Year 4	Kayon	Adam
Year 5	Marjan	Awisi
Year 6	Olaf	Cobey-Lee

House Points this week

Don Bosco	305
Joseph	299
Martin	292
Therese	343

REMINDER

Please remember to book your child's meals for the coming week. Parent's of children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and those in receipt of free school meals can book for the remainder of the half term in advance



What an honour for our lucky year 6 pupil who was a mascot for Manchester City in their 6-1 win over Wycombe on Tuesday night. A huge thank you to our friends at CITC who made it possible for this to happen.

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In the classroom this week...

We are continuing to welcome new pupils into Nursery. This week we are sharing the book 'Here We Are'. We are talking about the animals in our world that come in lots of different shapes, sizes and colours. We have discussed the animal names and thinking about whether they live on land, in the sea or both. During number time we are beginning to explore the Numicon tiles, familiarising ourselves with the colours and numbers. We have enjoyed exploring the outdoor area finding lots of different ladybirds and trying to count their spots.

This week children have been counting 1-10 and putting the numbers in order. We have enjoyed exploring the number line and where the different numbers sit on the line! We have been using the words biggest and smallest to describe and compare our numbers. In English we have been continuing to work on the Gingerbread Man story and have been doing some brilliant role play as characters from the story focusing on using the story vocabulary. We have been exploring our topic 'Me and the World around Me' and focusing on what our families do to help us. Another super week Reception, well done!

This week in Year 1 has been a really busy and hard working week. We are continuing to settle into our classroom routines. In English we have continued to work on our book 'Look Up'. This week we have thought about questions and answers we would like to ask to make an information sheet about space. We also wrote a letter inviting us all to go to the park to watch the meteor shower. In Maths this week we have been practising our skills at counting forwards and backwards to and from the number 10. We have been using our tens frame and number track to find one more and one less than a given number. We have also tried really hard to begin to write our numbers to ten as words. In our RE lesson we learnt that a Psalm is a song to God. We learnt a psalm and thought about how the words show that God loves and cares for us all. The children then worked on writing their own psalm to God. Well done Year 1 on a hard working week!

This week in Year 2 we have been continuing with our book 'My Two Granies' to learn about plurals, conjunctions and the Caribbean. In History we learned how Mary Seacole helped soldiers during the Crimean War. In Maths, we have been adding tens and ones using a range of equipment. Paco taught us how to defend our space in PE and we played lots of games to practise. We are all working really well!

Year 3 have been learning about Katherine Johnson, an American mathematician whose calculations were critical to the first successful and subsequent flights into space. They have been problem solving in Maths and learning about the different nutrients needed for the body to function.

Year 4 have settled into the school year even more this week and the children have produced some fantastic work. They have been studying prepositions in English and applied these to place, time and cause still whilst studying the book 'Africa is not a Country'. In Maths the class have been continuing to study place value within thousands, hundreds, tens and units and applied this to reasoning questions. The class thoroughly enjoyed the ICT lesson this week, using codes to draw different lines and shapes. In PE the class were developing their speed and agility—a very well done to all Year 4 and thank you for all your hard work.

This week Year 5 have continued to impress us with their hard work, resilience and efforts in their learning. They have worked particularly hard in Maths where we have been continuing place value. All of the children were able to read, write, order and compare some very large numbers. Even completing some mastery tasks which had some problem solving tasks. In English we are continuing to look at our book 'Young, Gifted and Black' focusing this week on George Washington Carver, Pele, Mae Jemison and Katherine Johnson answering some difficult comprehension questions about these role models and looking at similarities and differences about their struggles. In History we are continuing to study the slave triangle, this week the children were able to show their understanding of the plight of the slaves, writing fantastic diary entries in the character of a slave. We also had our first science experiment this week. We had lots of fun in our enquiry, making predictions and then finding out whether a rock or a ball of paper would hit the ground first. The children loved discussing gravity and analysing their results. Being scientists making sure all tests were carried out in a 'fair manner' it's looking like we have a great class of scientists in Year 5!

Year Six have had an incredible week in Castleton with Miss Pugh and Mr Isherwood. They were lucky enough to spend two days doing outdoor activities and have loved coming back into school today to share their stories. They absolutely loved the first nature walk; everyone managed to walk five miles! Everyone commented on the stunning views! On the first night they walked to see the sunset and then had a campfire where they sat around it eating popcorn with their friends. The children loved sitting around and looking up at the beautiful stars in the sky. The next day they built shelters and went on a trail to find clues. They all worked so hard as a team and loved every second of it. As always, they represented the school impeccably and are looking forward to any future trips.