



Friday 06th March 2020

Prize Winners this week

Class 1: Ava for being ready to learn and following instruction first time

Class 2: Hannah for excellent maths

Class 3: Lola Cross for excellent maths explanations about fractions.

Class 1: Reception have continued to enjoy the Bedtime for Monsters Story, talking about their ideas, acting out scenes in the garden and beginning to write a monster poem together. In Phonics we have been practising reading and writing Phase 3 words and sentences. During Maths, we have worked out one more and one less with numbers under 10. Dressing up for World Book Day and bringing our books in was exciting.

In the infants we have started our new topic 'Rainforests and habitats'. This week the children found out where the rainforests are in the world. We looked at maps and found out the Amazon rainforest is the largest rainforest in the world. We have named countries that the Amazon rainforest covers or partly covers. Ask your child if they can tell you some. In maths we have been measuring objects using non-standard measurements such as cubes, hands and pencils. With this they have compared the shortest, longest, tall-taller and next week we will continue with this.

Class 2: World book day was great fun and we made a giant map of our school and did orienteering to find our mini-me book characters. We are really enjoying sharing stories by fantastic authors. Our current favourites are David Walliam's "Snake in my school" and "The slightly annoying elephant" as well as the series of "Hairy McLairy from Donaldson's dairy" by Linley Dodd. We are doing well with our place value revision and have been representing halves and quarters as decimals as well as counting in tenths.

Class 3: This week, the juniors received a second visit from Sarah (the Unite Utilities School liaison). We had a superb session with her in January when she taught us all about where our water comes from, how it is cleaned and all about what happens to our waste water and sewage. Sarah was very impressed with how much water we had managed to save by keeping our Water Promises for the last six weeks. The year 6 showcased their long multiplication skills to the younger juniors to help us work out the totals.

On Thursday, we had an amazing World Book Day. Class Three became Wonderland for the day and we all had a fantastic time talking about and sharing our favourite books and authors; writing and illustrating story books of our very own and having our very own Mad Hatter's tea party as we worked. It was 6 o'clock all day (just like in the story) and that also sparked a huge really interesting discussion among the children about time. We were also visited by the younger juniors and Infants and Year 1 brought their seven-foot-long story along to read to us. We were very impressed. Next Wednesday Brother Mellitus is visiting to give us a STEAM day on The Anglo-Saxons. Juniors may wear their Viking costumes if they wish.

Corona Virus

The children can't help but hear the press coverage about corona virus but I would ask you to reassure them that young people are unlikely to be very ill from this virus and that it can't get in to our body if we wash our hands and remember to cough or sneeze in to our inner elbow/lower arm. School receives a daily e-mail about actions to take. We have provided tissue boxes and hand sanitizer on every table and we have a "squirt" of this regularly throughout the day. Children, as previously, always wash their hands before snacks and lunch and always after going to the loo. We are currently in the "contain phase". You can find out more true facts about the situation on the .gov site.

DATE AND TIME	EVENT
Wed. 11/03/2020	Juniors STEM Day with Brother Mellitus
Thu. 12/03/2020	1:15pm-2:15pm judo week 9 yrs 3+4
Fri. 13/03/2020	Puppet show – (Easter story)
Fri. 13/03/2020	Junior Swim Week 8
Thu. 19/03/2020	1:15-2:15 Judo week 10 yrs 3+4
Fri. 20/03/2020	Junior Swim Week 9