

Spittal Community First School Weekly News!

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News & Events

Congratulations to Ivy, Leo Y, Lucy F, Riley, and Scarlett who completed the 'Marvellous Makers' library summer reading challenge. It has been wonderful to see this week so many children exhibiting the character trait of kindness we are working on this half term A special mention to



Brodie B. and Jace who have kindly helped out at lunchtimes. Year 4 children have also been busy reading stories to our nursery to help promote a love of reading.

Nursery and Reception

Our theme this week has been "Baa Baa Black Sheep," and we've been exploring the world of farms and animals. The children have been practicing reciting the classic nursery rhyme together. We've also learned to sequence the events of the rhyme, from the sheep counting their fleece to the farmer taking it home. Our small world farm has been a popular spot for imaginative play. We've discussed the farmer, the sheep, and named various baby farm animals. We've also asked questions like "Who looks after the sheep?", "Who lives on the farm?", and "Who drives the tractor?" We've introduced new vocabulary words related to our theme, such as **"sheep," "farmer," "fleecy,**" "l**amb,**" and **"baa.**" We've practiced counting and recognising the numbers 1, 2, and 3. We've also counted the sheep in the nursery rhyme and explored other counting activities. Our sensory tray was filled with "**soft", "fluffy" "cotton**" wool balls. They've been touching, feeling, and developing their fine motor skills with the cotton wool and tweezers. The children enjoyed painting black sheep using pegs and cotton wool. They had fun dipping the pegs in paint and pressing them onto the paper to create the sheep's wool. We've made adorable handprint sheep. The children painted their hands and pressed them onto paper to create the sheep's body. We then added details like ears, legs, and a tail Our cut and stick activity involved cutting out shapes of sheep, clouds, and grass. The children then glued them onto paper to create their own farm scenes. The children have learnt about why sheep need to be sheared, how the fleece is prepared and what the wool is used for. We've had a fantastic week learning about farms, animals, and the classic nursery rhyme "Baa Baa Black Sheep."

Reception have worked very hard this week. We have finished off our Literacy work by creating story maps of 'Where the Wild Things Are'. We drew the characters and then retold the story in our own words. In maths we

have been creating repeating patterns using shapes and the musical instruments. Then we recorded our patterns in our maths books using pictures and stickers. For our topic lesson we discussed the qualities of ourselves and our friends. We then drew pictures of ourselves and then described ourselves in positive terms. On Monday we had great fun during our Boogie Beats lesson, adventuring around the classroom searching for Giggles the Monkey's mum. In yoga we practised calming our bodies using meditation and on Thursday we were developing our ball skills by rolling and dribbling.



Stars of the Week

Nursery Maliah

Reception Skyler

Class I Aria-Rose

Class 2 Eleanor

Class 3 Harry J.

Class 4 Percy

Diary Dates Autumn Term

Wednesday 9th October

Storyteller performance at The Guildhall for Year 2

Thursday 10th October

Wear something yellow for Mental Health Awareness Day

Friday IIth October Individual photo's

Week Beginning 14th October Parents' evenings

Wednesday 16th October

Flu immunisations for Reception-Year

Wednesday 23rd October

Halloween Bingo 3.30p.m.

Thursday 24th October
Year 4 music workshop

Friday 25th October

School closes at 3.20p.m for half term



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Class I and 2

Year I had a super week. In Literacy the children have looked at extending their sentences using the conjunction 'and'. They retold the story 'Cave Baby' in their own words and used time adverbials to sequence the main eventsTo improve their sentences they added adjectives and practised using capital letters and full stops accurately. In Numeracy the children continued to represent numbers to 20 in different ways and have practised writing these numbers in numerals and words correctly. During Science the children discussed how different animals were similar and different, then used this information to group them. In Geography the children learnt the difference between human and physical features and then sorted them accordingly. In PSHE the children discussed what makes a hap-

py learning environment and then created their own class rules. To end the week the children followed instructions to complete a directed autumn drawing. Well done everyone!

Year 2 had another busy week. In Literacy the children have been writing in the role of the character Goldilocks and using I to write in the first person. They have practised including adjectives to add description to their work, including how the character feels and using time adverbials to order the events in the story. Now, they are planning to write a sequel to the story 'You and Me'. In Numeracy the children have continued to practically partition 2 digit numbers in different ways and record this in a number sentence. They have also practised counting in steps of IO and I on the numberline and have estimated where 2 digit numbers will go on the line. As part of their Science work the children designed a healthy plate using their knowledge of the different food groups and in RE they looked at the importance of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) and why he is important to Muslims. In PSHE the children have discussed the importance of responsibility and how they can help other children learn in the classroom. Well done everyone, you are really working hard.



Class 3 and 4

In literacy this week, year 3 finished the book 'Leon & The Place Between'. We found out that Leon was transported to where magic sends you; to a land of astonishment and wonder. We spent 3 days creating our own versions of the story which had to include drama, excitement and a happy ending. In numeracy we have been focusing on 10 and 100 more or less than a number. Next we will be learning how to do this with 4 digit numbers. In R.E we have learnt about what is inside of a church and what role they play in the local community. In French we have been learning how to say numbers up to 20. In our history lesson this week, we looked at Viking settlements and what they would include. We also looked at what roles individuals would have in the settlements. In science we have been looking at the 3 main food groups: fats, carbohydrates and proteins.



Love was in the air this week in Year 4 as we have begun to read our new book 'The Mermaid of Zennor. A mysterious love letter arrived and we have written our replies using adventurous vocabulary. We have also found out about teeth, their different functions and have begun to explore the digestive system, naming the different parts. Next week we will be carrying out some interesting experiments!

