



News & Events

Wow! What a busy week we have had. Lunch time clubs have continued to be very popular with a huge amount of children attending. We celebrated Chinese New Year with a delicious themed lunch and our circus skills workshop caused great excitement. Next week, we have pyjama day and favourite stories on Wednesday and Number Day on Friday. We look forward to welcoming you to a game creating session on Friday morning from 9.am. The children are encouraged to wear something with a number on!

Stars of the Week

- Nursery Joshua
- Reception Braxton
- Class 1 Noah
- Class 2 Elijah
- Class 3 Jack B.
- Class 4 Poppy

Diary Dates

Spring Term

Monday February 3rd

Year 4- visit Berwick library for a fossil hunting storytelling session.

Wednesday 5th February

Pyjama day for National Storytelling Week

Thursday 6th February

'Time to Share' 3.20 p.m. An opportunity for you to come into school to view your child's work.

Friday 7th February

NSPCC Number Day;

Parent and child game creation session 9 a.m.

Children wear an item of clothing with a number on it!

Tuesday 11th February

Parent workshop on supporting behaviour and emotion. 2-3 p.m.

Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 12th February

After school disco 3.20-4.20 p.m.

Friday 21st February

School closes for half term 3.20p.m.

Monday 3rd March

School re-opens

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day. Dress as your favourite story character

Monday 10th March

Science week.

Tuesday 11th March

Year 1 parents' phonics information session 3 p.m.

Week Beginning 17th March

Parent's Evenings

Friday 21st March

Comic relief; Dress up in red!

Wednesday 2nd April

Easter Bingo 3.20 p.m.

Friday 11th April

School closes at 3.20 p.m. for Easter. No after school club.

Nursery and Reception

This week in Nursery, we've been having a wonderful time exploring the classic fairy tale, "Chicken Licken". We've been retelling the story using simple sentences and lots of expressive language. We've also been singing some fun animal songs. We discussed the **setting** and named all the **characters**. We discussed the fascinating journey of a chicken from egg to adult, learning about incubation, hatching, and growth. We practiced sequencing the events of the story using pictures and retelling the story in the correct order. We had lots of fun acting out the story, taking on the roles of Chicken Licken, Henny Penny, Ducky Lucky, Goosey Loosey, and Turkey Lurkey. We have also been practising our number recognition, counting aloud and counting the characters in the story.

It has been another busy week in Reception. We started the week by continuing our work on capacity. We used mathematical vocabulary to describe the amount of sand in different containers - **full, nearly full, half full, half empty, nearly empty, empty**. In Literacy we started reading our new book, 'The Magic Paintbrush'. It is all about a young girl called Shen who is given a 'magic paintbrush' and everything she paints turns real. However, she is not allowed to paint for rich people, only for the poor. We used Chinese calligraphy brushes to paint our own pictures and have written thought bubbles as if we were the main character. On Thursday we explored some Chinese and Lunar New Year traditions and then located China on a world map. After that we enjoyed a circus skills workshop and practised balancing long peacock feathers and plates.





Class 1 and 2

Year 1 have enjoyed their new book 'Beegu' where they investigated an alien crash site and asked questions using the words 'who, what, where, when and why' to find out what had happened. In Numeracy the children have been learning to recall doubles and use this knowledge to recall near doubles. In RE the children learnt about Shabbat and why it is important. During Science the children investigated different properties of materials and what they might be used for. In PSHE the children discussed how to work well with a partner and designed a wellie together using these skills. To end the week all the children enjoyed a Circus Skills workshop where they learnt to hula hoop, spin plates and even juggle. A wonderful week, well done!



Year 2 have had a fantastic week. During Literacy the children have enjoyed writing their own version of 'The Bear Under the Stairs', selecting their own character and location for their creature. Everyone practised using the suffix 'ed' to write in the past tense. In Numeracy the children continued their work on money, using partitioning to find the total amount they have spent and then using a number line to find change from £1.00. During Science the children investigated materials that they can bend, squash, twist and stretch and recorded their findings in a table. In PSHE the children worked as a group to design their own 'bird of paradise' and in RE they retold the story of 'Prophet Muhammad and the Ants'. They then discussed the moral of the story. To end the week all the children enjoyed a Circus Skills workshop where they enjoyed spinning plates, hula hooping and juggling. A super week, well done!

Class 3 and 4

In maths, we started the week investigating short division and 'bus stop' division. We have started working on finding area and perimeter and we will continue to develop our knowledge over the next few weeks. In literacy we each created our own story entitled "Spring's Daughter". The children had to make sure they had three paragraphs, an introduction, a problem



and a resolution. They were encouraged to include dialogue in their writing, using speech marks! In science we have been learning about living things and their habits. We explored our local environment in search of different habitats and micro habitats. The children were also learning about the classification of animals and learnt some facts about vertebrates and invertebrates. We used scientific vocabulary such as 'eco-skeleton'. In art the children have used sculptures from the Tate collection as their inspiration and we visited the beach to use natural materials when creating our own animal sculptures. On Thursday we participated in circus skills. We thoroughly enjoyed this! We had to challenge ourselves to balance feathers on our chin, nose and hand.

