



### News & Events

I can't believe how quickly this half term has gone. This week I have been really proud of how the children have demonstrated our character value of kindness, helping and supporting one another in lessons. Next week we have our Halloween bingo night straight after school on Wednesday...I hope to see as many there as possible raising money to buy lovely new books!

### Stars of the Week

<u>Nursery</u>	Ivy
<u>Reception</u>	William
<u>Class 1</u>	Charlie
<u>Class 2</u>	Jace
<u>Class 3</u>	Louis T
<u>Class 4</u>	Scarlett

### Diary Dates

#### Autumn Term

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Halloween Bingo 3.30p.m.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Year 4 music workshop

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

School closes at 3.20p.m for half term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

School re-opens.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November

School Act of Remembrance

Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November

Anti-bullying week

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need; Children wear spoty clothing

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Road safety week

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

School Christmas Fair 2 p.m.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas jumper day.

Christmas lunch.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas performance Mr Straughan and Mrs Mutch 9.30a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas performance Miss Richards and Miss Bayly 9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas performance Mrs Woodhouse and Miss Jeffrey 9.30a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Mr Straughan and Mrs Mutch Christmas party

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Mrs Woodhouse and Miss Jeffrey Christmas party.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Miss Richards and Miss Bayly Christmas party

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

School closes 3.20 p.m. No after school club.

### Nursery and Reception

This week in Nursery, we have enjoyed learning the rhyme 'Incy Wincy Spider'. The children have participated in lots of creative activities to add to our wall display. We have made paper plate spiders, weaved webs and created handprint spiders. The children enjoyed hunting for spiders and their webs in the nursery garden. They can remember lots of spider facts - they know spiders have eight legs, up to six eyes and spin their webs using silk. In our cookery session, the children made spider webs using biscuits and white chocolate, they also made a giant pastry spider and added edible googly eyes! They have sequenced the rhyme and investigated spiders/pipes in the water tray. We have identified cylinders and cuboids and then sorted everyday objects into the two categories. Our key vocabulary has included "spider", "web", "crawl", "climb", "eight", "spout", "sticky", "shiny" and "inside". We have practised reciting the rhyme whilst emphasising the initial "S" sound.

Reception have worked really hard this week and are really enjoying our literacy book 'Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain'. On Wednesday we received a postcard from Kenya! Our postcard was from Ki-Pat, the main character in our story, and it invited us to take part in an online safari.

We explored the African savannah online and spotted a wide range of animals. After that we used our phonics to sound out words to write postcards back to Ki-Pat and told him about what we saw. In maths we have exploring the composition of the number 3. Our tiger display is now complete and we have been using some of the vocabulary in our writing. Also, so far in phonics we have learned 25 sounds. Our target for next week is to know the first 16 sounds so please keep practising over the weekend.





### Class 1 and 2

Year 1 has enjoyed learning all about the book 'Astro Girl' this week. They created their own guide to explain the skills needed to be a good astronaut using bossy verbs. They also asked questions to predict what would happen next in the story. Can your child explain what a prediction is and tell you our five question words? In Maths the children ordered numbers to 20 and counted forwards and backwards in steps of 1. They also used the greater than, less than and equals sign to compare numbers to 20. During work on Science the children learnt to name different parts of an animal and compared them to each other. To finish the week the children enjoyed creating autumn pictures using autumnal colours and observed leaves to draw them. A fantastic week. Well done!

Year 2 has enjoyed learning all about 'Wolves' this week. They have sorted fact and fiction books and looked at their key features, including the glossary, index and contents page. They have used adjectives to describe a 'good' and 'bad' wolf and extended their vocabulary. Can your child explain the meaning of the words menacing, cunning and intelligent? In Maths the children ordered numbers to 100 and counted forwards and backwards in steps of 10. They also used the greater than, less than and equals sign to compare numbers to 100. In Geography the children compared Newcastle to Berwick, discussing the physical and human features that were the same and different. During work on Science the children looked at how they keep themselves clean and discussed why this is important. To finish the week the children enjoyed creating autumn pictures using autumnal colours and observed leaves to draw them. A super week. Well done!



### Class 3 and 4

This week in literacy we have found out that the boy in our book called 'The First Drawing' is very imaginative and he keeps seeing animals in random places such as fires and clouds. We have been learning to use modal verbs, emotions as openers and we have created a diary extract as if we were living in the stone age. In numeracy we have been continuing column addition, with some of us trying 3 and even 4 digit addition sums. In computing we have been learning about e-safety and algorithms. This will help us as we develop our skills on Scratch - a coding website. In French we have learnt the names of different foods. We have also started to learn our new song 'How to be kind' in music. In P.E we have been improving our agility, coordination and balance by competing in small invasion games.

This week in Year 4, we have created tourist brochures for Zennor. Zennor is the location where our story, "Mermaid of Zennor", is set. We talked about how information texts such as brochures are factual and need to be descriptive as the people that usually read them are not from that area. Year 4 enjoyed using the internet to research different elements of Zennor such as the landscape, the church and the cromlechs. In maths we have been subtracting using exchanges. We practised using just one exchange and as a challenge we completed some questions with more than one. We have learnt a little rhyme to help us remember how to exchange, "If it's bigger on the top, no need to stop. If it's bigger on the floor, go next door." In science we did a science experiment all about tooth decay. We had to answer the question "are sugary drinks bad for your teeth?". We used eggs to demonstrate the enamel on our teeth and placed them in different drinks for 4-8 hours. We discovered that full sugar coke was the worst for our teeth, closely followed by pure apple juice. We found out that tea and coffee are particularly bad for staining! In geography we learnt about the cities in the United Kingdom and had to use an atlas to locate them and then label them on a map.

