

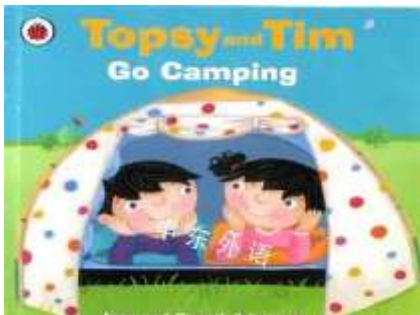
Turtle and Starfish Class



This week in Turtles class we have been reading Maisie Goes Camping and talking about all things to do with camping. The children made their own tent (den) and loved lying in it and pretending to sleep. We looked at the pictures in the book and discussed what we could see. In math's we talked about full and empty, because in the story the tent gets full up. In the tuff tray we had a selection of small world animals like in the story. We talked about campfires, things that are hot and can hurt us as well as simple fire safety. We even had a pretend campfire. In our literacy we played a listening game identifying environmental sounds to help prepare us for phonics. Thank you to all the dads, grandads who joined us for FUDGE day on Friday. Next week our story will be Peppa Pig The Picnic and we will talk about healthy eating. Mrs Cochrane, Mrs Loe and Ms. Burgess.



This week in Starfish class our story focus has been 'Topsy and Tim go camping.'



We have been discussing our experiences of camping and staying in caravans. Some of the children shared stories about having campfires and barbecues, which led to conversations about how to keep ourselves safe around fire and when outdoors.

The children have also been enjoying bug hunting in the garden, where they have discovered spiders, a bee, and a hoverfly. They were fascinated to use the bug viewer to take a closer look at the insects they found.

We have been busy creating our own tents and dens in the garden using large pieces of fabric, wooden planks, and blocks.

In preparation for Father's Day, the children have enjoyed making and writing cards for their dads and other special people in their lives. We are looking forward to welcoming some of them to join us for our F.U.D.G.E. Day activities on Friday afternoon.

Our story focus next week will be 'Pirates love underpants'.



Well done Starfish class on another busy week of fun and learning.

Mrs Attard, Mrs Brant, Mrs Bowser, Ms Burgess and Mrs Edwards

Seahorse

This week, Seahorse Class has been exploring Father's Day. We began by looking at the origins of Fathering Sunday. We discovered that it began around 100 years ago, by a girl called Sonora Louise Smart, who was brought up by her father. Red roses were given as a gift with white roses taken to church to remember fathers who had passed away.

We discussed that we could celebrate any special male figure in our lives and explored different relationships such as grandads, stepdads, uncles, brothers, and foster dads. Before looking at what we could do to celebrate. Ideas included: making a card, breakfast in bed, watching a film, having a cuddle and playing games.

We have also read the books: Guess how much I love you; My Daddy is Brilliant, Why I love my daddy and The Big Father's Day Barbeque.

We have explored farm animals, looking at the names of adult animals and their matching baby animals.

In Literacy, the children have written a sentence about what they love about their dad, grandad or significant male figure.

In maths, we have explored how to make doubles up to 20. The children had to place counters onto the blank side of a domino to make the corresponding double. We then moved onto counting on using a number line. This involved holding the number in our head, finding it on the number line before jumping the extra number of steps to count on.

Throughout the week, the children have constructed with Duplo, found insects on the play deck, made bunny ears, moulded with playdough, played dominoes and retold stories in our small world farm.

Thank you to all the dads, grandads, uncles and other special male figures that attended our FUDGE event. We hope you had a lovely time. Happy Father's Day on Sunday.



Oyster Class

We have had a very creative week this week!

In our DT lessons this term we have been learning about a variety of joining techniques. We have designed our own glove puppets, using some of the techniques we have explored. I think you will agree the results are fabulous so far! Luna was so inspired that she created her own puppets at home too.



In our RE lesson we have been looking at the artwork displayed at the Museum of Psalms. The children spent a long time talking about the detail in the art and sharing their thoughts about what the artist had tried to represent.

The children then created their own artwork inspired by Psalm 8.

We also got 'dotty' creating our Father's Day cards – the concentration was fantastic!



Seagull Class

This week in Year 2, we had a fantastic time on our trip to Call of the Wild Zoo, and what a brilliant day it was! The children were full of excitement from the moment we arrived and loved spotting all the different animals as we explored. They asked some thoughtful questions, listened beautifully and showed such curiosity about the animals and their habitats.

A real highlight of the day was the Wings of Spring talk, where the children were able to see a variety of birds up close. They were fascinated by what they learnt and it was lovely to see their enthusiasm shine through.

After exploring the zoo, the children enjoyed some time in the play park, which was a lovely way to end the day. They represented the school beautifully throughout the trip, and it was wonderful to see them so engaged, curious and excited by everything they experienced.

A huge thank you to our adult helpers for coming along!

Have a fabulous weekend everyone!

Mrs O'Donnell, Mrs Mota and Miss Calvy



Seagull Class



Heron Class

We have had an incredibly busy week, this week!

In English, we have finished off our sentence stacking lessons on how to build a stronger mindset. As well as this, we have been planning for the independent write.

In maths, we have been continuing our unit on time, thinking about minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years!

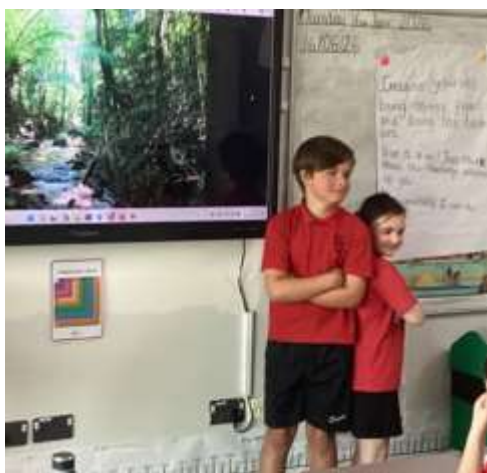
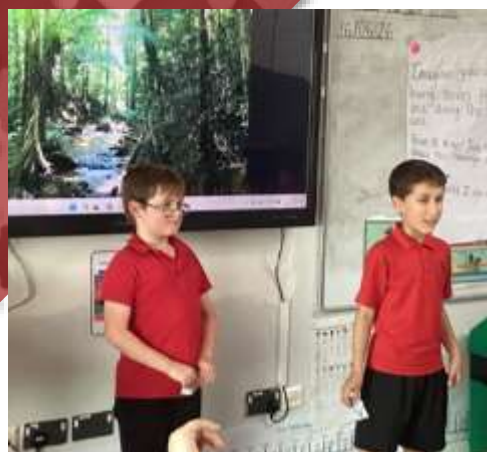
In science this week, we have been learning about the reproductive parts of a plant.

In French this week, we revisited colours in French.

Heron class organised their equipment into different groups, as well as organising different colours into different shades.

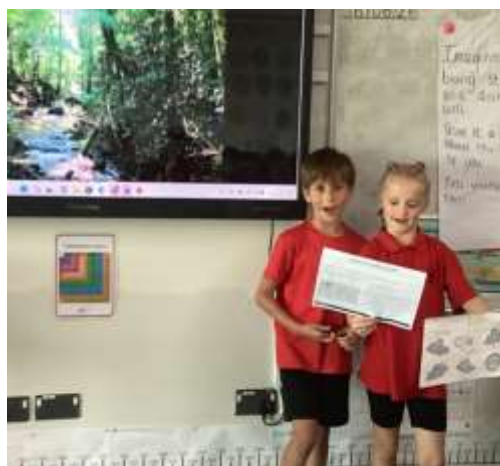
In geography this week, we looked at climate vs weather and its key differences. Then, the class worked in partners to create a weather report for a rainforest in Australia.

They all worked incredibly hard and it and were absolutely fabulous presenters!



Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Venables and
Mrs Merton



Curlew Class

Our 3rd week of term has been as fabulous as ever in Year 4.

Both our science lesson and English lessons have tied into PSHE. In science we started learning about renewable and non-renewable energy, and in English we began our new poetry unit based on bullying.

Wednesday was hands down the best day of the week. We had a whole day Roman experience day. The children looked fabulous in their costumes and there are some very talented parents who even made the costumes themselves.

In the morning we had a carousel of activities, including crafts (making own bracelets or cuffs), games (Rota and pairs), mosaic designs and cooking (Honey cakes). It got a bit boisterous when the children created 2 fortresses – girls became the Romans and boys became the Celts. The girls even made their own Hadrian's wall!

Luckily, there were no battle injuries!



Curlew Class

In the afternoon, we welcomed family members in the class to help the children create their own Peristylum models. Dads and Grandads were encouraged to let their child join in, as some were rather competitive (just like last year!)

Everyone worked hard and the results were amazing.

What a Roman-tastic week we've had!

Have a great weekend and a happy Fathers' day.

Miss Eakins, Mrs Brailsford and Mrs Mistry



Sanderling Class



This week, Year 5 have ploughed through converting imperial to metric measurements in Maths and started planning their poems based on *The Malfeasance* in English. They learned about the gestation period of mammals in science and in History they read and researched all about Alexander the Great, creating some fantastic posters debating his actual greatness. In art, they created some intricate mazes based on the Ancient Greek Myth of Theseus and the Minotaur. Add in some more rehearsals and some more cricket and you have a pretty busy week .

Enjoy the weekend sunshine!

Mrs Emmings, Mrs Allen and Miss Walpole



Avocet Class

On Thursday morning, Year 6 had a visit from the School Nursing Team who carried out a workshop to support the children's transition to secondary school. They discussed the variety of feelings the children were experiencing and explained how this was all perfectly normal. They gave the children some different breathing exercises that could help them if they become overwhelmed. They were all provided with a pack to take away to support them in the future. Ask your child to show you and talk it through together.

As part of our science and PSHE curriculum we have been researching how to have a balanced diet. We have been exploring the different food groups, as well as the effects of alcohol and smoking on the body. This will all be presented in a report next week.

Mrs Calvy, Ms Hardy and Miss Brailsford

