

NEWSLETTER

A Message from this week's Editor: Mrs Sterns

This week has been an action packed week. The NSPCC came into school to run a 'Speak Out Stay Safe' workshop and Year 2 also worked really hard whilst completing their optional SATs assessments. Year 3 have worked really hard to perfect their recorder skills and on Wednesday afternoon, they were excited to perform in front of their parents. Everyone was impressed with their confident tuneful performance. On Monday and Tuesday, Year 4 took part in their onsite camping residential. The children spent two days taking part in super exciting activities, such as archery and team building games. All the children showed real determination and resilience and we were very proud of how well-behaved they were. All the children have had a very busy half term and are ready for a break. Best wishes to everyone for a relaxing, happy and sunny half term!



SEBMAT
Slough and East Berkshire
C of E Multi Academy Trust

Collective Worship

We discussed Pentecost this week in worship, as this will be celebrated on Sunday. Pentecost is often called the 'birthday of the church' and it marks when God sent the Holy Spirit to be with the disciples. We looked at how the Holy Spirit gave the disciples strength and courage, just like our school vision.



Star of the week

Nursery - Safa
Reception - Nyla
Year 1 - Mihan
Year 2 - Lukne
Year 3 - Mohid
Year 4 - Charlie
Year 5 - Zubayr
Year 6 - Alex

Top Attendance this week

1st - Year 2 - 100%
2nd - Year 5 - 97.08%
3rd - Year 3 - 97.00%

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK?



Explorers class had great fun playing with the phonics beach ball! They looked carefully at the pictures and practiced identifying beginning sounds. The children also played a speech and language game where they guessed the letter then matched it to a picture beginning with that sound. The activities helped to build the children's phonics skills, listening, speaking and confidence in a fun and interactive way.



Early Years have been role playing teacher a lot this week in our reading and writing areas, testing each other on their phonics knowledge. They have also been reading 'Yucky Worms' and made lovely worm art using mud, glue and string!



This week, Year 1 enjoyed learning about the Jewish celebration of Shabbat. The children explored how families prepare for and celebrate this special time together, including sharing meals, lighting candles and spending time with loved ones. We especially enjoyed sharing some food together and talking about the importance of community, kindness and reflection. The children showed great curiosity and respect throughout the learning.



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Year 2 enjoyed welcoming the NSPCC into school to deliver a talk and assembly about children's right to be safe and heard.

The children were very engaged throughout and asked lots of thoughtful questions at the end of the workshop, which really impressed the volunteers delivering the session.



On Wednesday, Year 3 held a recorder concert in the hall for an audience of proud family members. The children played and sang beautifully, and it was a very proud moment for Ms Stoker, who has been teaching them since the beginning of the academic year. Well done Year 3!



Year 5 were creating their land art installations. First, they designed the installations and then they made them. They collected natural materials and used clay and tools to create their art pieces. They worked well in groups to produce their artwork.



This week, Year 6 have been learning about real life Maths involving a Bakery. We have looked into concepts such as 'value for money' and 'cumulative costs'. In addition, we have completed our French materials based upon 'going on holiday'. We have been able to decode and translate an extensive French text into English!



IMPORTANT DATES

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Breakfast club, school lunch bookings need to be made through Teacher2Parents app & please check payments for upcoming trips in Summer term.

May Half Term Holiday

25th to 29th May

Week 1 & 2

1st June - First day back for all children

5th June - Year 1 Quiet Garden

11th June - Year 4 - Eton College trip

Week 3

**18th June - Cultural Diversity Day
More details to follow from School Council**

19th June - Mufti day in exchange for tombola prize for Summer Fair

19th June - 9-9:30am - Year 2 Class Assembly

Week 4

**24th June - 9:15-11:30am - Early Years Sports Day
More details to follow**

**26th June - 09:00-11:00am - KS1 & KS2 Sports day
More details to follow**

PUPIL VOICE

"We loved camping on the field with our friends. We did so much but we agree the trust exercises and archery were great practice for PGL next year! We got to build our own tents, it was brilliant! Food was delicious but best of all we had hot chocolate and biscuits!"

Eesa, Meral & Louie - Year 4

"I really enjoyed the recorder concert and I was happy my parents came!"

Esther - Year 3

"I said good afternoon to all the parents and the recorders sounded very nice!"

Reshae- Year 3

"Worms eat the old leaves and live under the ground"

Norah - Early Years



YEAR 4 ACE ADVENTURE CAMPING

On Monday and Tuesday this week, Year 4 had their onsite camping experience with Ace Adventures. This was a fantastic experience for all the children involved and, for many, their first overnight stay away from home! After pitching their own tents, the children worked together in a range of activities and developed their team-building skills during trust exercises, meal planning, shopping for ingredients and even cooking their dinner! Archery was a big hit and a few children even hit the bullseye! Their evening was brought to a close with a sing-song around the campfire, followed by a sweet cup of hot chocolate and biscuits before bed. They all slept well despite the rainy weather and kept their spirits high, nothing dampened their moods!

Well done, Year 4, for embracing every part of the experience.



IN OTHER NEWS



Outside of school achievements

Bedfont Sport U11 Football Team won their first tournament of the season last weekend with a brilliant 2-1 win.

The team played 8 hard-fought games to reach the final. Jack scored the first goal before the opposition equalised, but a late winner secured the trophy for the team.

Well done to Jack and his team. Wishing them the best of luck in their next tournament this weekend! ⚽🏆



Farewell to Mrs Johnson

This morning in worship, we said a very sad goodbye to Mrs Johnson who, after an incredible 27 years with us at Colnbrook, is leaving to move to Northumberland. Mrs Johnson has been pivotal in the day-to-day running of the school and we are not quite sure what we will do without her!

Although she will be hugely missed by staff, children and families alike, we wish her all the very best for the future and for her move to her new home.



Star treat

Children who achieved Star Treat over the last 3 weeks of term enjoyed an ice lolly in the sunshine with Miss Torpey. What a lovely way to end the day before half term!

Well done to all of our children who were rewarded with certificates this term.

