

Spring Term  
**fun care safe respect learn**

## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents,

A strange week for me in particular, I'd like to say a thank you to the staff for carrying on regardless!

Covid seems to be around at the moment so please take care.

Readingsacks are being given out today, thank you to Mrs Chebsey for organising this and we hope the children have fun reading the range of stories.

As you will know there is a planned strike for some of the teaching unions on Wednesday 1st February. Although some of our staff may be on strike we are expecting to be able to keep school open to keep things normal for the children. Our plan is also that the Year 2 swimming session will go ahead as planned. If circumstances suddenly change we may need to alter our plan, if this is the case we will let you know as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

Some of you may have noticed that Mrs Richardson has not been here, this is unfortunately due to the sad loss of her Mother, she hopes to be with us on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Jenny Griffiths

In RE the children have been learning about the Hindu story Krishna and the Pot of Butter. The children enjoyed making peacock feathers and this young lady stood out for her interest, her questions and her thoughtfulness.



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

1st and 8th February— Class 2 swimming (8<sup>th</sup> February – final Class 2 swimming)

3<sup>rd</sup> February – Reception NCMP Height and Weight checks – see letter and leaflets sent home this week

17th Feb - Valentine's Mufti - see attached poster

30th March - Spring Fayre inc. Easter bonnet competition



## OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Well done on winning the John Henshall trophy for orienteering!



**This Week's Winning Team is**

# YELLOW TEAM



# Ship Ahoy! with Class 1

Well, thankfully it has been slightly warmer this week! We still don't quite feel like The Pirates of the Caribbean though, more like The Pirates of the Arctic!

Our focus book this week has been 'The Pirate House.' The children have loved guessing what might be hiding behind the doors on the busy street. Maybe monsters? Maybe pirates? Maybe even baby mermaids?!

We have been recapping the sounds oo, ar, or, air and ir this week in phonics. The children are getting very good at spotting these 'special friends' in words.

In maths the reception children have been thinking about the number 5 and how it can be partitioned. We say '5 is made of 4 and 1, 1 and 4 makes 5!'

In maths the year 1 children have been learning adding and checking how the equation can be written.

$$4+3+7$$

$$7=4=3$$

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$$4=3+7$$

$$4+3=7$$

Which of these equations are correct? How do you know?

Thank you so much for all your donations of recycled products for our DT boats topic! This week we have been designing our boats ready to start building next week.

Have a nice weekend and we will see you next week.

**Class 1 Star**



**Rewarded for her fantastic knowledge about plants.**

Class 2 have been investigating materials in science this term. This week we looked at materials used for a spoon.



We tried a metal spoon, a plastic spoon and a paper spoon. Can you guess which spoon was the best? The children thought the paper spoon was the worst because it was too floppy!

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The year 2 children have been focusing on the two times tables and commutativity.

What's the same and what is different?

$$5 \times 2 = 10$$

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We have been learning about pirates in history. Calico Jack was alive in the 1600s and he liked to wear bright clothes because this made him look brave and fearless. All pirates were very good at sewing because they had to mend their clothes and the sails on their ships. Did you know that pirates stole sugar?

**Class 2 Star**



**Rewarded for working hard in all her lessons**

# *Celebrating Success*

## **REWARDS OF THE WEEK**

**Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful Writer, Hand Writer of the week, Reader of the Week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.**



**Class 1**



**Class 2**

# Celebrating Success

**MATHLETICS**



**BRONZE**

**Swimming Success!**

