

# Weekly Newsletter Friday 29 September 2023



## Message from Mrs Langton:

It was lovely to see so many people in school this week to meet the teachers and to look at the children's work, I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did and I know the children were very proud to show off their work!! We are building up our lost property again so please can I remind you to put your child's name in as many of their items of clothing as they can and remind the children it is their responsibility to look after their things and make sure they have them at the end of the day. At the moment we have a rail full of lovely coats that no one wants to claim!! If they have lost something pop in and have a look, it is such a shame when everything is so expensive these days.

Have a lovely weekend.

## Dates for your diary:

Next week:

Wed 4 Oct Class CH assembly

Thur 5 Oct Free lunch - see opposite for more info

More dates:

Mon 9 Oct Y4 swimming lessons (2 weeks)

Tue 10 Oct 9.00am Reception (F2) parent phonic workshop

Tue 24 Oct Hull KR mascot visit
Wed 25 Oct Class CM assembly

Fri 27 Oct School closed - training day

w/c 30 Oct Half term

w/c 6 Nov After School Clubs start this week

Tue 7 Nov 4.15pm Reception starters Sept 24 Open session

Thur 21 Dec Last day of term

More information will follow regarding individual events.

## School Attendance:

Our whole school attendance for last week stands at 93.7% Individual classes were as follows:

Well done class CH having the highest attendance last week.

## ClassDojo team winners:

w/e 15.09.23 - Wilberforce w/e 22.09.23 - Sullivan



Weekly wins so far this school year:

Johnson = 0 Sullivan = 1
Skelley = 0 Wilberforce = 1

## Parent/Carer's information:

<u>Thursday 5 October - Free lunch</u> <u>Hull Fair theme (Chicken or Quorn burger)</u>

All children will receive a **free** lunch - available to book on School Money (please change choice if already prebooked)





## Foundation stage - F1/CG

In the Foundation classroom this week, the children have continued to learn the traditional story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In F1 the children have started to draw a story map of the different parts of the story and then use it to help them recall the story. In F2 the children have continued to use signifiers to learn the story and think about one aspect to change. They decided as a class to change the porridge to pancakes! We have also been using lots of interesting vocabulary to make their story telling more exciting, such as 'forest' instead of 'wood' and 'cottage' instead of 'house.' All of which were the children's ideas. Remember to pop any videos of your child retelling the story on Tapestry.

We have also continued to focus on the famous artwork of Pablo Picasso and recreated some of our own portraits this time using brightly coloured pastels.

In F1 the children have loved 'Playdoh Disco!' This activity of using playdoh and music in their hands at the same time aims to strengthen the child's core, arms and finger muscles.

In F2 we have focused on careful counting of 5, the cardinality of 5, knowing what 5 looks like and how we can show 5 in different ways. We have also really

enjoyed using a giant 5 frame in class. Adding a different number of children to the giant frame, moving around and knowing the total without having to keep counting. In F1 the children have continued to practice careful counting 1, 2, 3 and 4 and reciting and chanting numbers to 10.



The word for 'Concept Cat' to learn this week was 'short.' We have also continued with our poems from Poetry Basket – Chop Chop for F1 and A Basket of Apples for F2.

The children in F1 have really enjoyed using the oats in their play, scooping, and pouring and they have made more porridge this week and added different fruit as a topping!

In both classes, we have also had a big focus on establishing expectations and routines. This is a really important factor in the running of the day within the classroom. Lots of sharing games have also been played both inside and outside in the garden area. Finally, thank you to all the parents who were able to 'Meet the Teacher.' It was lovely meeting you all and sharing all the lovely things your children have already started to enjoy at school and nursery.

### Year 1 - BC

It was great to see so many of you on Wednesday night and talk to some of you. I hope you enjoyed seeing your children's work and are pleased with how they are doing.

In our English lessons this week we have begun to create our own story based on the story of the Rainbow Fish. The children have changed some of the characters and drawn their own story maps. They have also written the openings for their own versions using the toolkit we came up with last week to help.

During maths we have practiced counting on from any number and understand that we don't always have to start from 0 or 1 when we are counting. Some of the children have been able to apply this understanding to solve problems. In more maths we have continued to look at 3D shape, this week sorting real life 3D shape by name. Next week we will look at other ways of sorting them. You could help your children by spotting 3D shapes in the environment and seeing if they can recognise and name them.

In science this week we continued our work on the senses. This week we explored our sense of hearing. We thought of different ways to describe the noises we hear and went on a sound walk to listen for and identify a range of sounds.

In our Jigsaw lesson we talked about the rights children have in the classroom such as the right to be safe, to be listened to and to learn. We also talked about the responsibilities they have to help make the classroom a great place to learn. The children drew pictures of themselves learning well in the classroom.

Finally this week in our geography lesson we recapped the four countries that make up the United Kingdom and talked about what a capital city is and what the capital city of England is. The children then looked at some of the places they might visit in Hull and some places in London. They were then able to sort landmarks of Hull from landmarks of London and talk about some of the similarities and differences between the two cities.

### Year 2 - HD

This week in Y2 we have been creating our own stories based on the original story 'The Papaya that Spoke'. The children have chosen their own characters and boxed up their own versions. They can't wait to read them to the class! Our focus in maths has been to estimate and understand the position of tens and ones on a number line. We have discussed the importance of knowing the start and end of points of the number line and the value of the intervals in between.

In science we have continued our work on materials and have looked more into the suitability of materials for an object. We have discussed the properties of the materials and given as to why they would be suitable or not. We have continued our work on using globes, atlases and maps in geography to locate the capital city of England and discussed what London is like now.

The children have enjoyed practicing and performing songs using the glockenspiels in music this week. PE this week has been to develop control and technique when kicking a ball and develop co-ordination and technique when throwing and catching. Our **PE** lessons are on **Monday** and **Thursdays**.

Well done to all those working hard with their reading and spellings at home this week!

#### Year 3 - RK

What a fantastic week we have had in Year 3. In our English lessons this week, we have been refining our sentence skills ready for our 'big write' next week. I am super excited to see their imaginations flair and bring those ideas to life. In maths we have been comparing and ordering numbers up to 1000 using the symbols < > and =. Also, during our Fluency in Five sessions we have been using the column method for addition and subtraction. In our class text 'The Cat Mummy' we have been digging deeper into the author's choice of language to build character personality. For Geography this week, we explored the key physical and human features of both Italy and the UK. The children took a deep interest in Mount Etna, so we had a sneak peek at some volcanic explosions from around the world. Our Science lesson this week was all about the different muscles in our body. We did some exercises and worked out which muscles were making our body move. Finally, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who popped in to look at what the children have been up to and chatted with Miss Knowles, it was a pleasure to meet everyone. Once again, a massive well done to all who are practicing their spellings and reading outside of the classroom. We can already see a huge improvement in those reading skills. Can't wait to see what next week brings. Enjoy your weekend.

### Year 4/5 - SB/JS

WOW! A very busy week in Class SB and JS. In English, both classes have answered questions from our story called Sandy Cove. We have written a short paragraph and tried to use words to give suspense. Finally we have started our opening. In maths, Class SB have compared and ordered 4 digit numbers and JS have looked closely at roman numerals and partitioning of numbers. In reading, Class JS have continued to use their story voice in fluency. In PE, the children in both classes have done Rugby with the focus on defending, accurate passing and teamwork. In geography both year groups have looked at renewable energy and non-renewable energy. In science JS have tested the force of gravity and looked at famous scientists. Class SB discussed the problem of litter on our environment and how we could prevent this problem getting worse. The children sorted materials and presented their finding in a tally chart. In Spanish, both year groups have learnt how to greet different people and had lots of fun.

In art, both classes designed a Christmas design for the school's personalised Christmas cards. There was lots of great examples and the children really enjoyed it.

Class JS have continued with vector drawing in computing. The children in both classes enjoyed their next music lesson with Mr Crowther. They experimented with boom whackers and tried to keep up with the beat.

## Year 6 - CM/CH

What a great week of learning we've had again in Year 6 this week. In history, we have continued with our theme of the Ancient Greeks and have begun looking at how we know about the ancient civilisation in our modern world, thinking about whether these sources of information are primary or secondary and how reliable they are because of this. This has linked to our class novel Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, which is beginning to reveal more about Percy's heritage and how this links to the Greek Gods. Through our reading lessons, we have developed our retrieval skills through answering 'find and copy' questions based on the text and have also explored themes within the novel such as grief and courage, using evidence to support our ideas. In maths, we have begun to work on the four operations, using negative numbers in context, such as to find out the differences in temperatures between locations and have also been developing our skills when using formal, written methods for addition and subtraction. In Jigsaw this week, we have discussed our learning goals for the year and have predicted any obstacles that could potentially get in the way of us achieving these goals and thought of solutions to overcome these. In P.E, we have continued putting dance routines together, using body percussion movements and have also enjoyed playing some rugby inspired games outside. Finally, we enjoyed seeing some of you on Wednesday evening for our Meet the Teacher open night and Class CH look forward to welcoming some of you back into school on Wednesday morning for their class assembly.