

Weekly Newsletter Friday 25 October 2024



Message from Mrs Langton:

Welcome to the last newsletter of this Autumn half term, it's been a busy one! We were presented with our Silver OPAL play award in assembly this week and we were surprised to learn that only 4 schools in Hull have the award so we were very proud of that and have put our certificate in pride of place in the entrance hall. The children were delighted to tell our visitors all about how their playtimes had changed over the last 18 months and how much they enjoyed being able to use their imagination and use all the different equipment that is available now. Well done to everyone!!

It was lovely to see so many children dressed up for our Halloween discos on Wednesday, there were some great costumes and some amazing face painting (well done parents!), the children really enjoyed it and taking part in all the different activities the teachers had planned for them. We also had some dance sessions this week where the children had the opportunity to work with some experienced dancers. They all enjoyed taking part.

Next week is half term, I hope you have a lovely week and the weather continues to be good to us.

Have a good weekend and a nice half term break.

Dates for your diary:

Next week:

Half Term

More dates:

Thur 7 Nov pm Cereal domino run

Mon 11 Nov pm Flu vaccine catch up session

Tues 12 Nov 9.00am Class HD assembly

Tues 12 Nov 4.30-5.30 Open evening - Reception starters Sept 2025

Thur 14 Nov 2.45pm Art/craft workshop - parents

Fri 15 Nov Children in Need

More information will follow regarding individual events.

School Attendance:

Our whole school attendance for w/e 18.10.24 was 94.0% Individual classes were as follows:

Well done class F1 having the highest attendance last week.

ClassDojo team winners:

w/e 18.10.24 - Sullivan

Weekly wins so far this school year:

Johnson = 1 Sullivan = 3 Skelley = 1 Wilberforce = 2



Parent/Carer's information:



Foundation stage - F1/CG

This week the children have had some amazing opportunities to experience! The children in F2 started the week off with a dance session with instructors from Flex Dance. They followed the dance routine well and even performed to the rest of the school in the afternoon.

Both classes went for a lovely autumn walk in the woods behind school looking for signs of autumn and experiencing the senses of the world around them.

In the middle of the week all the children loved dressing up in their seasonal costumes for Halloween and joined in with themed activities throughout the day followed by a very fun Halloween disco with lots of party games, dancing and food!

We investigated pumpkins to see how tall they are, described the texture of the outside, counted the lines on the skin and predicted whether they would float of sink!

The rest of the week we wrote a class recount for the school trip and focused on 3D shapes and their properties and comparing more and fewer with two groups of objects.

Finally, please could you collect up as many kitchen roll tubes as possible and bring them in after half term for planned creative activities. Also remember to check Tapestry for half term homework and challenges!

Year 1 - BC

We've had a very busy final week of half term in Year 1. During our English sessions the children have been focusing on orally composing their own sentences about images of Halloween and Autumn. They have then written their sentences making use of the support materials such as phoneme and common exception word mats. Most children are also now using their toolkit bookmarks to check their own sentences which is great to see. During handwriting we have been consolidating formation of the curly caterpillar letters particularly those some children often find tricky such as d, g and s.

In maths we have completed our work on the place value of the numbers to ten by looking at similarities and differences between the number track and number line. The children were able to use a number line to find one more and one less as well as greater and smaller numbers than a given number. We have begun our work on addition and subtraction within ten by exploring what is meant by parts and the whole.

The children enjoyed finishing their windmills in D&T this week and you will see what a good job they did when they bring them home. They were able to test them against the design criteria to see if they were stable and whether the turbine turned in the wind which they all did. In our Jigsaw lesson this week we talked about the children's achievements and feeling proud. All the children received a proud ticket and could talk about how that made them feel. We have done two investigations in science this week exploring our sense of touch using feely boxes with the children recording words in a group to describe what they could feel inside the box. They children also did a smell test trying to guess what the smell was and saying whether they liked it or not.

On Monday of course we had the teachers from Flex Dance in to teach the children a routine. There are some excellent dancers in my class and they all really enjoyed both learning the routine and then performing it to the rest of phase one at the end of the day.

Finally I think the highlight of the week was the Halloween disco. The children loved coming to school in their costumes and had a great time.

Year 2 - HD

In English the children have continued to learn the new text 'How to trap a dragon' using their signifiers to orally retell. They have brought home a copy of the instructions map to share with you. We have looked at imperative verbs and played games to help develop how we use these in our writing. This week they wrote instructions on how to make a magic potion. They thought about their ingredients and the order they needed to write the method.

In maths we have looked at adding and subtracting ones to a two-digit number. We used number tracks and hundred squares to count forwards and backwards. We looked at the vocabulary in word problems which would help decide if the problem was an addition or subtraction.

In computing the children have begun to look at information technology beyond home and school. They discussed where they have seen such equipment and how it is used.

In PE the children have learnt how to take possession of the ball when playing team games.

The children really enjoyed the Halloween Disco! They had spooktactular fun! Enjoy the half-term break.

Year 3 - RK

Year 3 have had a lovely week this week. In our English this week, we have begun changing our model text and relating it to Nurses, which the children had fabulous knowledge about from family members and thinking back to Florence Nightingale. We have looked at using generalising determiners in sentence writing. In maths, we have continued our learning of addition and subtraction. Refining our knowledge of exchanging where needed. In reading, we have shared out fluent reading skills with the class and our classroom partners to improve our pace and accuracy. Our Halloween disco was a blast, the children had a great time playing games and dancing with their friends (check Twitter and Facebook for pictures). As always, we appreciate everyone who reads three times and practices their spellings at home. We have a lot of our children logging on to TTRockstars weekly, which is just amazing! Have a wonderful half term.

Year 4 - SB

Another busy week in the last week of term. In maths Class SB have continued with addition and subtraction using written methods to find their answers. In English the children have written their own opening to their recount and also written a witness statement as one of the characters. In reading we have answered questions about the text and summarised a key part in the story.

In science the children have used what they have learnt this term to write an information text about our environment. In RE, we discussed the promises in marriage and thought about the things we need to have a happy marriage. The children presented their ideas in a recipe of ingredients. We had some great suggestions. A very caring class!

We had Flex Dance visitors in on Wednesday. It was great to see everybody getting involved and the children loved taking part in the dances and performing to each other.

Some of the children in Class SB came to the Halloween disco. We had lots of fun dancing wearing our amazing but scary costumes.

Year 5 - JS/CM

We have had a great week in Year 5 this week once again with lots of learning taking place across the curriculum. In Maths, the children in JS have continued looking at addition and subtraction, with a focus on multi-step problems. In CM, the children have been looking at multiplication and division, exploring common multiples and common factors. The children have also enjoyed some Halloween inspired maths, solving some problems with their partners. We have continued looking at discussion texts in English and this week the children have written their own discussion texts doing their best to include as much of the discussion toolkit as possible. In reading, both classes have continued to love our novel 'Varjak Paw' this week, focusing on some of the themes the author has running through their writing. The children have also enjoyed our Ancient Egypt topic this week, looking at pictures from history and seeing if they can find similarities from the four different civilisations they have studied. The children also enjoyed writing some instructional texts 'How to mummify a pharaoh' to help them with their historical understanding. In PE this week the children had the pleasure of been taught dance by 'Flex Dance' and loved the experience, they particularly enjoyed the 'We will rock you' dance. In Jigsaw, the children enjoyed becoming agony aunts for the day, offering their help and advice to different scenarios. Lastly, we hope you all have a wonderful half term.

Year 6 - CH

For maths this week, we have continued to develop our division skills; by beginning to divide by 2-digit numbers using the short division written strategy, we have then applied this to answer reasoning and problem-solving questions. For reading, we have continued to practice our comprehension skills, applying retrieval to a range of text-types. For English, we have tested our GPS knowledge and have impressed Miss Howard with what we already know. In computing this week, we have put our knowledge of variables to the test by making our own 'falling' games where a sprite catches a falling object on J2code. Within RE, we have continued looking at forgiveness, looking at what the Christian, Hindu and Islam faiths say about forgiveness before thinking about what the word means to us. For History this week, we have recapped our learning from last week on mummification and time-travelled back 7000 years, writing instructions for someone to follow if they were going to mummify a body.

A gentle reminder that spellings for the following week get handed out every Friday and these should be practiced at home for homework.