

Dear Parents



Thank you for joining us at our sports afternoon where children from FS2 to Year 6 took part in a number of sporting activities and competition. The weather was finally kind to us and it was lovely to see all the children enthusiastically taking part.

It was great to see enrichment clubs start again this week. Thank you to the staff who gave their time to run these clubs, it is really appreciated by all in the community. I would also like to say a big thank you to Janet Graham for running a KS1 ball games club on Thursdays



after school.

Sports Afternoon

Following a fantastic afternoon of sports the winning Team was King



In EYFS:

This week in EYFS it has been sheep week. We have used the text 'The Naughty Sheep' and the nursery rhyme 'Baa Baa Black Sheep' as a focus for our learning.



In Caracara Class:

Caracara Class were History Detectives last week, trying to work out which source would give the most information about the Great Fire of London. We thought about diaries, paintings, maps, coins and eyewitness statements. Some of these were produced at the time of the event and some weren't which made it a trickier decision making process. In maths, we've been learning to identify and name 3D and 2D shapes, with the years 2's also thinking about a line of symmetry. In English, we have been reading 'Bringing Down the Moon' which is a similar theme to our previous story 'How to Catch a Star'. We are working towards writing our own version which will start in earnest this week. However, the most exciting part of last week had to have been that our Sports Afternoon took place. What a fabulous time we all had!



In Falcon Class:

Falcon class have had a lovely week investigating our rocks and getting our teeth into science. The children had a great time classifying rocks into the three main groups and worked together to successfully identify most of them. They then classified them into a different grouping and the other class members had to use their knowledge of texture and form to identify how they had been sorted. In English our class work has focussed on subordinate clauses and how to use them to make our writing more interesting. Maths has seen year 4 begin working on fractions and year 3 have been converting between £ and p. Our history learning has taken us back in time to the legions of the Roman army where the children had to write a letter persuading Emperor Claudius to invade Britannia. Science club this week focussed on the Archimedes principle by making our own lava lamps and watching the chemical reactions take place. We have also seen the Roman topic homework coming in and I have to say, the children have done a fantastic job making their Roman artefacts.



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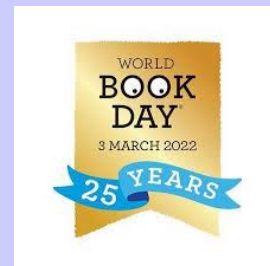
In Meadowlark Class:

I really enjoyed sewing the sails to our masts and going to art club because we made mandala patterns out of tissue paper. Yesterday, we went to the Historic dockyard museum and learned more about Ernest Shackleton; his link to the Falklands and what life is like in Antarctica for an explorer. We also learnt about how people lived in the Falklands many years ago.



This week we went on a class trip to Stanley to visit the Historic Dockyard Museum to discover more interesting facts about Shackleton. We also went to Cartmell Cottage where we looked at how people lived in the past. Did you know that Cartmell Cottage was built in 1849 for a military 'pensioner' who came to settle in Stanley?

---Eliza



World Book Day Thursday 3rd March 2022

The staff and children are really excited about supporting World Book Day this year. All children can dress as their favourite book character on the 3rd March and will take part in a range of book related activities.



With the remote nature of the Falklands, I am sure we will all be imaginative and inventive in our interpretations of our favourite book characters.



Forest School

We are very lucky to have Mrs Dunn as our forest school lead who works incredibly hard to provide exciting and child led activities for the children to take part in and engage with the natural world. Due to staffing and the need for more trained members of staff and to ensure we are providing age appropriate engaging activities, we will be adapting the way these sessions run from after half term.

- From 25th Feb - 25th March inclusive FS2 and KS1 will have forest school on Friday afternoons
- From 29th April - 27th May inclusive Years 3 & 4 will have forest school
- From 10th June - 8th July inclusive years 5 & 6 will have forest school
- 11th July we will have a FS2 - Year 6 forest school session



Diary Dates

- Friday 4th February-Whole School Forest school
- Friday 11th February- Whole School Forest School
- Friday 11th February - School closes at 1500 for half term.
- Monday 21st February - School starts for children.
- **Thursday 3rd March-World Book day Dress as your favourite book character**
- Wednesday 9th March - Parent Evening Consultations 1515-1715
- Thursday 10th March - Parent Evening Consultations 1515-1800
- Friday 25th March - 1400 Event to showcase learning of term, all parents invited
- Thursday 31st March - School finishes For Easter at 1300
- Tuesday 19th April - School starts for children
- Throughout May - Year 2 assessments
- Week 9th May - KS2 SATS
- Friday 27th May - An early school Queens Platinum Jubilee event details to be decided
- Friday 27th May - School finishes at 1500 for half term
- Monday 30th May to 4th June - Half Term
- Monday 6th June - Additional public holiday - No school for children
- Week 7th June - Year 1 phonics screening
- 14th June - Liberation Day - whole school event to be decided
- Friday 24th June - Fixmas Eve event in school - details to follow
- Monday 11th July - Reports out to parents
- Thursday 21st July - School finishes at 1300

We hope you all had an enjoyable weekend regardless of whatever the Falklands weather threw at us.