

Dear parents

The cake sale organised by KS2 was a great success making a massive **£257.89** for the Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal. Thank you once again for the generous donations of cakes and for your support on the day.

On Wednesday we saw Caracara class going on a tour around a number of units, showcasing their Easter bonnets and singing some delightful Easter songs whilst collecting donations for the Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal, making a huge total of **£153.70**

I have been very impressed with the children's response to this tragic event, with their clear desire to help others. In total, we raised a whopping **£411.59!** **Well done and thank you to everyone for your support.**



Plover Class

The children in Plovers were extra creative this week - they painted and decorated large rabbit faces and made Spring bonnets during Wednesday's stay and play session. It was fun to do music and movement in the hall - especially when we incorporated activities with eggs and spoons!



Albatross Class

This week we have been using the text 'Little Red' as a focus for learning in Albatross class. We have been reading the story and using small figures to retell the story. In literacy for FS2, we compared this text to that of Little Red Riding Hood.

In maths we have been making patterns out of objects and with actions and sounds.

In understanding the world, we have been learning about forests and went to Bear Woods for snack. In the forest we made

patterns out of objects that we found there and did some bark rubbings on the trees.



Caracara Class

This week, one of the subjects we've enjoyed the most is geography as we've learned how animals have adapted to living in hot or cold places. We liked the fact that camels can close their nostrils and Martin asked a fantastic question, "How long do they close their nostrils for as they will also have their mouths closed at the same time so will not be able to breath?"

We had a fantastic time making our Easter/Spring bonnets and 'parading' them at various units across camp to raise money for the Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal. We were looking forward to it and a little nervous at the same time. We overcame the nerves when singing to such huge crowds. The children sang the songs beautifully and made everyone smile. Well done Caracaras and thank you to all the parents who helped create our bonnets! We raised £153.70!

A special thank you goes to Sqn. Ldr. Jenny Munro, Sqn. Ldr. Berenice Barraclough, Sqn. Ldr. Andrea Dowds, WO Colin Stag and Sgt. Wood for helping us to visit each unit.



Falcon Class

In Falcons class this week, we have been continuing with our art projects, based on the work of Georgia O'Keeffe. The children sketched their designs onto a large sheet of card and then used the palette they created earlier in the term to begin painting their flower art in various shades and tones, they are a work in progress but I am sure that you'll agree, they are coming on nicely. In science, the children have completed their investigation into the function of roots and looked at the role that flowers play in the lifecycle of plants including seed dispersal. In maths, Year 3 have been measuring volume in ml and litres and Year 4 have been exploring decimal numbers and recapping dividing and multiplying by 10.



Meadowlark Class

In maths this week, we looked at different imperial units of measurement, converting between miles and kilometres, pints and millilitres etc. We also started to interpret and analyse a variety of graphs, including line, pie and bar charts.

In English, we learnt about the different features of newspaper reports - looking at how 'tell and sell' could be used to sell news stories around the world. Some of our favourite headlines that we looked at include: 'On the Moo-ve!' 'Hubble in trouble!' 'Go Nuts for squirrels'

In science, we investigated the effect of different surfaces on the sole of a shoe to find out which surface creates the least amount of friction, whilst using a Newton meter to measure our results.

Finally, I would like to thank all the parents and wider community for your support with the Year 3-6 cake sale as we raised a whopping £257.89 for the Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal!



Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 6th April - School Finishes at 1300
- Tuesday 25th April - School Starts for children
- **Monday 8th May - Bank holiday - No school**
- Tuesday 9th May - Key Stage 2 SATs start
- Tuesday 16th May- Quiz in aid of Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal-From 1700-1800 in the school Hall
- **Friday 19th May 0845-1000 - Rearranged KS1 and KS2 Parents Maths Workshop**
- **Thursday 1st June - Nursery and EYFS Sports afternoon 1415 in the school hall** (For All children who attended Nursery, FS1 and FS2 and their families can come along to join us even if not booked in for a session that afternoon).
- Monday 5th June - Friday 9th June Half term
- Wednesday 21st June - Mixed art day with IJS
- Thursday 20th July - school finished for the year at 1300

Please note the key dates for 2023-24 can now be found on our website.