

Friday 19th June 2020

Hello everyone

This week has seen the phased return of our Year One pupils and it is great to see some of them back. It has been a wonderful week and the whole school is buzzing with the sound of children in the classrooms and activities. All the staff are back and here to support yourselves and your children. Like everyone, we still work on a day to day, week to week basis waiting for the next instructions from the Prime Minister. Please make sure you read the text and email messages sent as there might be some vital information for you.



Monday the 22nd of June will see the return of Reception pupils, as well as any more priority pupils such as key worker, vulnerable etc. The phased returns to school are working exceptionally well. The group bubbles are ensuring that children and staff are keeping safe, social distancing and following the school's action plan requirements. It is great that parents are continuing to contact their class teacher via email, sharing the wonderful things they are doing at school. Please keep the emails coming in. If you have any problems trying to email your class teacher just contact the school office and they will help.



So what has been happening this week in school?

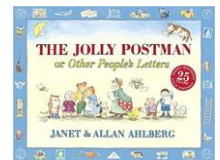
This week in nursery they have continued to care for their sunflower seeds and they are now starting to grow which is very exciting. They have created their own sunflower pictures using paint and their handprints. They also spent some time in Jenny's Wood exploring and doing an insect hunt.



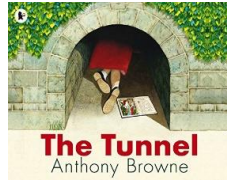
In the Reception bubbles the children have been creating their own sunflowers using various materials and being very imaginative. They have also made up their own sunflower poems and made some funny grass seed heads. Throughout the week they have loved playing in the rain with their waterproof clothes on and riding their bikes. They have looked at weighing things in the classroom.



In the Year 1 bubbles the children have been reading the story of The Jolly Postman, looking at the features of a letter, writing letters to the characters, and to family and friends, telling them what they have been doing during lockdown. In maths they have been learning about money recognising coins and their value, making different amounts and virtually going shopping. They have started their Seaside topic and look forward to learning all about the history of the seaside.



This week in Miss Lambert's and Miss Richardson's bubbles they have been looking at the story *The Tunnel* by Anthony Browne. They have been producing writing linked to this and have incorporated art and ICT. In maths they have been consolidating addition and subtraction.



In Mr Eastwood's and Miss Purdy's bubbles they have focused on science. They have investigated different questions through experiments, explored discoveries of major scientific finding today such as the law of gravity and created fact files about famous inventors and scientists. They have conducted experiments which have tested the effects of sugar on the enamel on our teeth as well as the viscosity of different liquids during 'wacky races'. We have really enjoyed learning about science as it is so interesting and tells us



about our world today as we know it; it has even inspired some of us to become scientists and inventors one day!

In the year 6 bubbles this week, they have finally finished their fantastic novel 'Clockwork' by Philip Pullman. They can thoroughly recommend this read - more so for older children rather than younger. Their favourite character was Dr Kalmenius (because throughout the book he remained mystical, sometimes sinister and we never knew what he might do next!) In Science, they have been having lots of fun learning about healthy living; They now exercise every day, in class or on the

field, to keep their bodies healthy. In Maths, they have been deepening their understanding of algebra and fractions and to finish a super week off, in Art, they made their own African Masks linked to their topic - Black History.



A huge shout out to everyone working from home.



Although the learning packs have stopped being produced there are lots of activities and work on the learning platform. So keep looking at your child's folder. Children never stop learning. Every minute they are awake they learn something. Children learn from anything and everything they see. They learn from where ever they are and who ever they are with.

We have again received some amazing photos showing us just what has been happening. We have created a fantastic display of photos to celebrate this in the main corridor. A huge thank you for your support.



We would like to say how proud we are of our staff for continuing to show their dedication and commitment to caring for your children. Their flexibility and resilience has continued to shine throughout.

Keep safe everyone, Mrs Heneghan xx

Quiz Answers – 12-6-20

1. Saturn
2. Antarctica
3. Deuce
4. No
5. Lava
6. Little Bo Peep
7. Nanny McPhee
8. 8
9. Horse
10. Blue
11. South America
12. Pup
13. Tinkerbell
14. Marlin
15. Simba
16. Dog
17. Argentina
18. Duck
19. Python
20. Badminton

Multiple Choice Quiz – 19th June

1. Which bird lives in a rookery?
 - a. Owl
 - b. Penguin
 - c. Rook
2. What is Harry Potter's middle name?
 - a. Arthur
 - b. James
 - c. Jack
3. What type of food do penguins eat?
 - a. Vegetables
 - b. Fruit
 - c. Fish
4. By area, which is the largest state in the USA?
 - a. California

- b. Alaska
 - c. Texas
5. Where is the smallest bone in the human body?
 - a. In the ear
 - b. In the foot
 - c. In the nose
6. Which of Snow White's seven dwarfs wear glasses?
 - a. Doc
 - b. Sleepy
 - c. Bashful
7. Which is the largest desert in the world?
 - a. Sahara
 - b. Gobi
 - c. Arctic
8. In Great Britain in which month does the longest day occur?
 - a. July
 - b. August
 - c. June
9. What was Beethoven's first name?
 - a. Ludwig
 - b. Amadeus
 - c. Henry
10. In which country is the Louvre Museum?
 - a. France
 - b. Italy
 - c. Spain





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