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Friday 29th January 2021

Today is the last day for Miss Mahoney in our Nursery. She is moving on to new adventures and moving back to be near family. We want to say a huge thank you for the hard work and support she has given to all the children in Nursery. Mrs Robertson will be joining on Monday so we would all like to make her welcome. She has a vast experience in Early Years, and she worked in our Year One unit last year.

In Reception the children have had a great week learning more about the Antarctic and the penguins that live there. The story this week has been Lost and



Found by Oliver Jeffers. It is about a boy and a lonely penguin. They have been introduced to our puppet penguin Arthur who always worries. He has joined in with many of the online sessions. The children have written ideas to help make him feel happy. They have learnt to draw a boat and they have practised their handwriting. In phonics they have been working in phase 3 and learning the new digraphs (2 letters that make 1 sound) oo, ar and or. Look out as next week the polar bears arrive!

Dinner Menu

Week Commencing 01-02-2021 Week 2 This week Year 1 have been very busy and working really hard. In literacy we have been looking at non-fiction text and writing our own fact-file about dinosaurs. We have been learning to add



and subtract numbers to 20 in maths. In history we learnt all about Mary Anning, the palaeontologist who found dinosaur fossils in England, and we all had a go at digging for fossils!

Year 2 have had another busy week this week. They have been developing their understanding of time in maths. They are now experts



at telling the time to the hour, half past, quarter past and quarter to the hour. In literacy they have been producing some great descriptions based around a picture. In science they have been developing their knowledge of healthy eating by studying what a healthy diet looks like.

This week in year 3/4 we have been exploring the rates at which solids melt using chocolate and comparing our findings. We are starting to debate about the topic 'Fairtrade' in preparation for our balanced argument. Exploring the 7 wonders has been really

interesting and have all learned different methods of presenting our work. It had been a very busy but exciting week.













This week in year 5/6 we have been busy learning to multiply and divide decimal numbers in maths. To do this we used place value charts and decimal place value counters before progressing to a short division method. In English, the children have loved finding out about the Titanic and have been writing information text based on this. We have also been continuing with our topic, Frozen Kingdom where we have been researching the polar regions.



Face Masks Reminder

You **MUST** wear a face mask in the playgrounds and on school premises. Please help us to keep everyone safe.



PE Days
PE Lessons will take place on the following days
Reception – Monday

Year 1 – Wednesday

Year 2 – Thursday

Years 3-6 – Tuesday

Please ensure your child has their PE Kit in school on these days

Year 5 Swimming Lessons TEMPORARILY CANCELLED

Are you entitled to a £100 uniform voucher? Am I entitled to free school meals for my child? Your child will be eligible for free school meals (FSM) if you are receiving one of the following benefits or support:

- Universal Credit Your annual net earned income must be no more that £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of your most recent assessment periods.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related ESA
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and your annual income is below £16,190
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

You are NOT entitled to free school meals if:

• You receive Working Tax Credit except where the 'four week run-on' applies

Even if your child is in Reception to Year 2 and they already receive a free meal under the government's Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) system, it is still worth applying for FSM. Benefits of successful FSM applications are:

- A £100 uniform voucher (payable on your first successful application only)
- Free school milk up to the end of Year 2
- Reduced costs for residential visits
- Allocation of a weekly £15 supermarket voucher during lockdown

For more information and to apply online please visit:

http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/free-school-meals





Arctic and Antarctic Wordsearch

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- 1. antarctic
- 2. arctic
- 3. blubber
- 4. cold
- 5. fox
- 6. fur
- 7. glacier
- 8. ice
- 9. insulation
- 10. lemming
- 11. penguin
- 12. polar
- 13. sea
- seal 15. snow
- 16. walrus
- 17. warmth 18. whale
- 19. white



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