Dear Parents

This week our two guest Headmasters were invited to begin our newsletter:
Mr Luke Mulhern wrote: ‘I have given stickers out for singing and walking nicely to their classes and for listening nicely’ and Mr Thomas Mulhern wrote: ‘I chose sausages and chocolate cake for lunch and Myles sat on the top table with me. During Rock Assembly I sat in the teacher’s place.’ Both boys really enjoyed their day and a few photos can be found on page 4. Thank you boys.

We were so proud of Year 2 last week during their residential stay at Juniper Hall. They behaved magnificently and you can see photo evidence of their adventures on our lovely new website.

In a packed week Rock has dominated the agenda. We began with a wonderful rock music assembly by inspirational Matt from rocksteady and enjoyed rock music in the playground and dining room throughout the week. On Thursday we loved our acoustic drum kit assembly and wonderful guest Mr Adam Assen talked about the history of the drum and then taught our lucky Year 2s how to play the kit! Mr Assen is coordinating the Dad’s band ‘Fathers of Rock’ who will be dazzling on Friday following our Father’s Day challenge.

On Tuesday to complement their topic ‘Round and Round’ Year 1 admired Claire Waterhouse at work on her potter’s wheel and gasped as the requests that they made for a jug took place before their very eyes!

On Tuesday a new school fixture took place between our Year 2s and the Year 2s at Westbury House. A wonderful afternoon of competitive sporting fun in the sunshine was enjoyed by all led by our own super star Mrs Sarah Pryor. At the end of half term we said goodbye and thank you to Mrs Andrea Gordon and wished her every happiness in her new exciting job. We welcome onto the team our new Finance Assistant Miss Nicola Green who will be working closely with Helen Serrano in her new role as school Bursar.

We were absolutely delighted to hear that Kanter Dinsky cantered into a glorious winning place and earned us all £1000 of Poundland Vouchers. Well done and thank you to Mrs Degg and her prize winning artists.

This week’s Lunchtime Superstar is Tommy C for such a wonderful mature and polite approach to lunch times this term.

Congratulations to Dahl House for reclaiming their lead at the top of the board with a fabulous total of 819 Housepoints.

Annie Thackray, Headteacher

This Week’s Merit Awards

Work and the Week

Year 1, Jupiter Class we have been exploring things that are round and we wanted to look more closely at oranges. We felt them, rolled them, smelt them and cut them open to explore and enjoy what was inside. We used all of this information and some very close examination to make observational drawings in both sketching and coloured pencils. This stunning example is by Lily T.
Nursery and Pre-Reception News

Superworm is super long, Superworm is super strong! Julia Donaldson strikes again this week as we look at things we find under the ground. Spaghetti worms, clay worms, play dough worms, cheese straw worm numbers to name but a few. Come and look at our imagination tree in the nursery garden, the children have been painting, gluing and creating a beautiful sculpture.

Thank you for supplying the costumes for your children for the end of year Foundation Stage production. If you haven’t bought it in yet, remember that Friday is the last day. Tickets for the show will be coming to you shortly. You will be allocated two tickets and the day you attend will depend on which house your child is in. Please exchange tickets amongst yourselves if you wish to change day or offer a surplus ticket. We all enjoyed Rock week and thank Sophia’s daddy, Mr Assen for the wonderful drumkit assembly. Our Father’s Day celebrations were excellent and it was lovely to welcome so many dads into nursery.

Reception News

Continuing with our topic ‘Ready, Steady, Go’, Reception have been visiting ‘Space’ and working in our ‘Space Station’. We have found out how astronauts wash their hair and what food they eat. We have been very busy making ‘special cards’ for a certain someone in our family (Shhh!) We wrote in the card using our best handwriting. As you can see we are very proud of our creations! We have been thinking about ‘Space’ and 2D shapes and we decided to make rockets. Look how well we decorated them! Apparently they…. “fly super fast” and …. “you have to count down from 10 otherwise they won’t work and blast off!” 😊 We have loved Rock week. Do ask your child about the wonderful performances that they have enjoyed.

The Foundation Stage Team

DATES FOR THE DIARY

PLEASE NOTE – MUSIC ASSEMBLY IS ON MONDAY 3RD JULY 9am
- Invitations to follow

Monday 19th June – Y2 Trip to Hindu Temple
Tuesday 20th June – Elephants’ Tea Party in aid of Child Bereavement UK
- Separate letter emailed with details.
Wednesday 21st June 9am – Y2 Good Digital Citizen Award Assembly
- All Year 2 parents welcome to attend.

ADVANCED NOTICE:
EVFS Summer Performance starring all Nursery, Pre-Reception and Reception children on:
Tuesday 27th June 9am – for all Donaldson and Dahl parents
Wednesday 28th June 9am – for all Ahlberg and Kemp parents.
Tickets issued 2 per child.

SUMMER TERM IS ‘MUSIC TERM’

Rock week
We have had fun this week listening to a different style of Music! The focus has been on rhythm and the children have had a chance to practice many different rhythmic patterns. I’m sure they would be delighted to demonstrate these to you! Plastic pots, buckets, saucepans and wooden spoons make a wonderful drum kit!

This week’s Manners Moles are: Scarlett S, Henrietta L and Dylan F.

Congratulations to Freya P for gaining her Gold Mathletics award.

IMAGES OF OUR GUEST HEADMASTERS