



## Weekly News

Friday 24th February 2023

Dear Parents,

### **The Great House Pancake Race**

On Tuesday, the school was filled with a sea of colourful House t-shirts as we celebrated Shrove Tuesday with our Great House Pancake Relay Race. Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 showed great skill as they ran the length of the playground whilst flipping pancakes and picking up any lost pancakes along the way. Nursery cheered their friends on waving their House flags as they waited patiently for their turn. Soon enough, it was time for Nursery to show us all their expert skills in racing and flipping pancakes. A huge thanks to Mrs Pryor for organising such a wonderful event and to Mrs Rendall for making such robust pancakes. Bravo to all the children who joined in with gusto and exuberance.

### **Poetry Recital Competition**

This week, we had the joy and excitement of our annual Poetry Recital Week. Every child in the school learnt a poem and performed it in front of their class with courage and style. On Wednesday, we enjoyed a Highly Commended show in the hall and on Thursday we were treated to the Grand Final with guest judges Mrs Crossley and Mrs Serrano. They were both hugely impressed with all our children who performed to an incredible standard. Mrs Crossley was happy to admit that it was an incredibly difficult job to judge such outstanding performances. The children made us all laugh, clap and cheer with their wonderful choices and brilliantly delivered poems. All our children stood with confidence and recited their poems with flare. A huge well done and thank you to all the children especially the prize winners!

### **Year One News**



Year 1 have been immersed in poetry and have looked closely at rhyming and non-rhyming poems. The children had huge fun completing their rhyming strings! In maths, the children have been working very hard on their number bonds and have particularly enjoyed singing them. On Thursday, Year One became Scientists and performed an investigation about melting ice under different conditions. The children predicted, observed, noted down result, and drew conclusions from their investigations!



### **Year Two News**



Before half term, Year 2 planted an array of broad beans and have begun observing and recording the changes they have seen over the last 2 weeks. Continuing with their topic, the children have read about Gandhi and were able to report back to their teachers about the interesting facts they found out about him. In Art, Year 2 have explored the work of Sir Frank Bowling and the incredible abstract pieces he has created. They worked in teams to create their own abstract artwork, experimenting with different techniques



including pouring and flicking, using string, spoons and forks!

### **Open Day**

Today, we welcomed prospective parents to our termly Open Morning. They were utterly enthralled with our Year 2 children performing a song from their panto and re-enacting one of their favourite scenes. Our guests were delighted to see our wonderful school in full swing and were hugely impressed with the children's exceptional learning and behaviour. Well done children, we were all very proud.

This weeks lunch time superstar is Darcey S in Venus class, Mrs Lovatt is very impressed with how helpful you have been in the lunch hall. Well done Darcey!

Top of the leader board this week is Dahl House with a superb total of 1091 House points. Congratulations to Dahl house.

Best wishes

Mrs Grehan


### **Poetry Prize Winners**


















KS1—Elena W, Sybil T, and Holly S









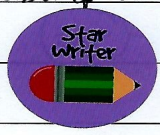



EYFS— Estrella W, Thomas M, and Sam B

## Work of the week

Juliana is Saturn class wrote a descriptive poem about sea creatures.  
She used rhyme and repetition. What a star!



 Under the Sea   
 What could there be   
under the sea?  
 Could there be   
A snappy shark ✓  
 Swimming evilly looking   
For it's prey  
 What could there be   
Under the sea? ✓  
  
 What could there be   
Under the sea?  
 Could there be   
A playfull whale leaping  
 Throw the waves?   
twinkl.com

 What could there be   
Under the deep, blue  
 Sea?  
 by Juliana ✓   
 What a beautiful poem! You   
included rhyme and description!  
    
 



## Nursery and Pre-Reception News



What a busy start to the term it has been. Not only has it been Poetry Recital week, but also Pancake Day!

The children have managed to impress us with their poems, they all showed great confidence in practising their poems in front of their friends during group time. Congratulations to those who made it to the final and to those who received highly commended certificates!

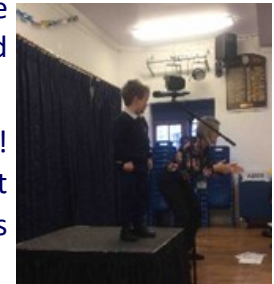


It has been pancake crazy in Nursery, we started off the week by reading Mr Wolf's Pancakes. As you can imagine we have been cooking up some pancakes in the kitchen following the ingredients that Mr Wolf uses in the story. During snack time we had a chance to choose some different toppings to put on the pancakes we had made. In Blue room we have been making frying pans and practising our flipping skills! In Yellow room we have opened a shop to help Mr Wolf buy the ingredients he



needs to make pancakes. The children did a great job at recognising the numbers and counting the correct number of pennies that they needed to buy the items.

We had a great time taking part in the great pancake race on Tuesday! The children cheered on their houses, and really tried their hardest at running and flipping the pancakes to win the race for their house. It has been a wonderful start back to the new term.



## Reception News

After a lovely half term, it was full steam ahead with our learning!

This week we have been busy fact finders and we have been exploring non-fiction books about different forms of transport. Loaded with a wealth of information we have made our own class Non-Fiction books having each written a whole page of information. If you are planning a local trip you might want to take a bus into town 'there are lots of seats for passengers,' but first, 'You have to wait at the bus stop if you want to get on the bus.' If you want to take a trip further afield, 'planes can take you far away' and you can even 'put your suitcases in the bottom bit' so you can take everything you need with you!

The interhouse 'Great Pancake Relay' is always a highlight of the school year and this year was no exception! The children excelled with their pancake flipping skills and it is possible records were broken with the combined speed and technique. With delicious pancakes on our minds, we completed pancake inspired subtraction questions. Initially we practically subtracted different toppings from our pancakes. We can also now read and write and subtraction number sentence. Of course, we could not resist the opportunity to taste the yummy pancakes and we carried out a class survey to find out our favourite toppings.

Mrs Degg worked with Reception on the Ladi Kwali inspired African pots, this week we decorated our pots using Scraffio technique.

In our computing lesson we were coding the BeeBot robots around a map learning how to use different commands.

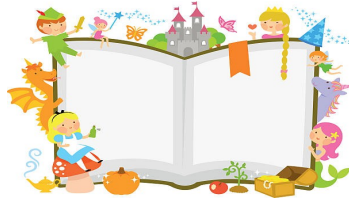


**The Foundation Team**



Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day

*Children to come to school dressed as a fairy tale character*



Friday 3rd March - Jupiter Class Assembly

*All Jupiter parents are welcome to attend*

*Refreshments will be served under the porch from 8.30am*



**Mathletics:** Congratulations to Daisy D, Phoebe B, Angelina Ö and Connor L for your Gold certificates



**Spotty Box: Awards for success outside school:**

Benjamin W - Participating in the Beaver Swimming Gala and Running your first Park Run

Meili L - Completed a Werner Diploma in Skiing

Kit W - For passing you Ourson Badge in Skiing

Jack W- For passing you Ourson Badge in Skiing

Chloe B - Won a dance off at Surrey Storm Netball

Logan H - Certificate of recognition from Horton Park Golf School

Georgina G D - Duckling Swimming Award

Teddy S - For completing the swimming Crash Course

Charlie L - For your stage Coach Certificate

Daisy GD - For swimming a length in the Walled Garden Pool

