

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Kung Hei Fat Choi!

This week, children have been learning about Chinese New Year. 2023 is the year of the rabbit and children have completed a range of activities including the making of rabbits in KS2. The rabbits will be on display at the Bombed Out Church from today until Sunday 22nd January.

All children were given a fortune cookie too! Fortune cookies symbolise luck, wisdom and fate. It is said that a Chinese immigrant, David Jung, invented the cookie in 1918 while living in Los Angeles. He was concerned about the poor people he saw wandering near his shop so he created the cookie and passed them out free on the streets. Each cookie contained a strip of paper which had inspirational Bible scripture on it, written for Jung by a minister.

In the words of Mother Teresa,

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving".

Have a wonderful weekend if you are celebrating Chinese New Year!

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Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 09.01.23 for 5 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 10.01.23 for 5 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.50am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 10.01.23 until 28.03.23	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Dot Art Club begins 17.01.23	Y5	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 11.12.23 for 5 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 12.01.23 for 5 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.50am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 12.01.23 until 30.03.23	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 13.01.23 for 5 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm – 4.05pm

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General Diary Dates

Ski Trip – Sunday 22nd to Sunday 29th January

UII Girls Football SPB vs Windsor @ Tiber Street, L8 – Tuesday 24th January 3pm-5pm

Y6 Girls Football League Match @ Simpsons Ground – Friday 27th January 1pm-3pm

UII Girls Football SPB vs Much Woolton @ Tiber St, L8 – Tuesday 31st January 3pm-5pm

UII Boys SPB vs Our Lady Immaculate @ Heron Eccles – Thursday 2nd February 3pm-5pm

Children's Mental Health Week – Monday 6th February to Friday 10th February

UIO Boys SPB vs Christ the King @ Heron Eccles – Thursday 9th February 3pm-5pm

Year 3 & Y4 Disco – Thursday 9th February 5.30pm – 7pm

School Closes for Half Term – Friday 10th February (normal time)

Children return to school – Monday 20th February

Whole School Pancake Race (PTA) – Tuesday 21st February

Cross Country @ Sefton Park – Monday 27th February 3pm-5pm

School Photograph Day – Tuesday 28th February

Y2 Trip to Kenyon Farm – Thursday 2nd March

General/Important Information

School Nurse

Parents/carers can now ring the School Nurse directly, anytime, to make an appointment or discuss any issues/concerns you may have regarding your child.

Please call: 0151 295 9700

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MHST Virtual Coffee Morning



Please click on the link below to book:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mhst-primary-coffee-event-for-childrens-mental-health-week-lets-connect-tickets-476368700607>

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

We have continued our Wonderful World topic this week. We used non-fiction books and search engines to find out facts about penguins. We learned lots of interesting facts, can your child share any? With a focus on the emperor penguin, we then learned about its life cycle. We put pictures of an egg, chick, fledgling and adult in the correct order and shared our understanding of the life cycle. We also sketched different types of penguins and then used watercolour paints to paint them. They look beautiful on our display! We have learned about speech bubbles too. In our book, Lost and Found, there is no speech. We thought about what the penguin could say and wrote our ideas into speech bubbles. We had some fantastic examples! We have had lots of fun exploring the icy weather in our outdoor area too. Some of our penguins were frozen in bowls of ice so we carried out an 'Ice Investigation' to investigate how we could melt the ice and set the penguins free! We put the bowls of ice on the radiator and windowsill then made predictions about which bowl of ice would melt first and why. We observed all morning and found that the ice on the radiator melted first! In maths, we have been counting forwards and backwards. We read a book called Loo Queue and learned about the positions first, second and third etc. On Friday, we took part in races on the yard and talked about our places. This followed on nicely after reading the Chinese Zodiac story in the morning and learning about the animals of the Chinese zodiac. We enjoyed completing lots of Chinese New Year activities as well as trying a fortune cookie. Another busy week in Reception, we hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

YEAR ONE:

We have had another busy but fun week, in Year One! We have moved on in maths to look at different methods for subtracting numbers up to 20. We are getting so much better at using number lines to help us!

In English, we have continued with our Peter Rabbit story. We have created our own story maps, completed some description work and have even been learning how to write speech!

Our Geography focus this week was capital cities. We had to find the capital cities of the 4 countries of the UK and label them on a map. We then learnt some new facts about each capital city.

In science, we revisited different animal groups and had a go at sorting animals independently! We did such a good job!

Finally, we enjoyed a little treat on Friday as a reward for winning classes of the week last week. It was very well deserved!

A reminder that this week's homework is on Google Classroom.

YEAR TWO:

Year 2 have had another good week in school. We have been really busy continuing with all of our new topics. In English we have continued with Roald Dahl, we have applied what we have learnt the last two weeks to our writing, writing a character description together for Willy Wonka. Next week we will be continuing with this, independently, to write about Augustus Gloop. In maths we have come to the end of our division topic. We finished the topic with our review lesson. In History we have continued learning about explorers, thinking about what explorers need and why. In RE we have learnt more about God's special book, the Bible. We have learnt about the different parts of the Bible and why we should show reverence towards it. In Art we have continued learning about Andy Goldsworthy, looked at texture and trying to show texture through shading with pencils in our sketch book.

The children had a wonderful time at our KSI Disco! There was plenty of dancing, games and the children enjoyed some yummy food. Thank you for your support with this as always.

YEAR THREE:

The highlight of this week was when Year 3 welcomed Mr. Triggs and Miss. Neil, from Merseyside Grid for Learning (MGL), into our classrooms for the introductory lesson of the computing unit 'Programming'. In pairs, the children had to use code to move their character around various scenarios in a Minecraft world and give them commands, in order for the character to perform actions.

Sorting rocks into similar characteristics was an activity in the science lesson – after the children had explored the different ways rocks are formed (sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic); whilst in the history lesson, the classes started to identify how the Mesolithic (middle) Stone Age civilisations hunted and gathered, in order to survive.

On Thursday, we enjoyed the first lesson in a music unit focused around the Bob Marley song 'Three Little Birds' which is Reggae song. As we step through this unit, the children will use percussion instruments, as well as their voices, to rehearse and perform the song. And around all these areas of learning, we explored 'mass' in maths and continued to study character and plot in the fable 'The Hare and the Tortoise'. Just another busy week in the classroom!

YEAR FOUR:

This week, Year 4 have been continuing their work on fractions. We have looked at equivalent fractions, using visual representations to help us understand that different fractions can have the same value. On Friday, we started looking at simplifying fractions: dividing numerators and denominators by the same number.

In geography, we started looking at the region of Catalonia. Pupils used computers to produce their own research, finding out key facts and ways that you can get there.

On Wednesday, Year 4 continued their music unit, incorporating glockenspiel to the music of 'Lean on Me' by Bill Withers.

As we go to press, pupils are busy producing their own Wallace and Gromit stories considering their use of dialogue, fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases.

YEAR FIVE:

The children have enjoyed beginning to write the sequel to, This Is Not Earth, in English this week. They have worked hard learning how to add fractions with different denominators in Maths. Geography sent the children around the world, identifying countries that fall on the five major lines of latitude. In Science, they left Earth and visited the other seven planets in the solar system, producing mini fact-files about each one.

We wish those children who are taking part in the Liverpool Primary Ski Course next week a safe trip and we look forward to hearing about the progress they make in their ski lessons when they return to school.

YEAR SIX:

We wrote our final persuasive reviews based on L. Frank Baum's novel 'The Wizard of Oz.' Our persuasive language certainly shone through as we picked up phrases and techniques from other reviews along the way. In computing, we looked at how search engines use web-crawlers to index web-pages and rank them based on their criteria. By refining searches and being more specific we will get the information we need as we discovered there is a vast amount of information out there. The Linnaean system was explored in our Science unit as we began to understand how scientist classify living things. In maths, we looked more deeper at conversions between units and in particular, km to m and cm to mm. We are looking forward to start our percentages unit next week.