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SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Fun in the Snow!

On Tuesday all the children had a great time playing in the snow!

*"If you never did, you should
These things are fun and fun is good!"*

Dr Seuss

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Matball Competition

Our Y2 Matball team played a fantastic tournament on Thursday afternoon and have qualified for the City finals next week. Well done!



Healthy Active School

This week we had a visitor from LSSP Happy, Healthy, Active Lives. We learnt about our digestive system and talked about how we can make choices to stay healthy. Making one small change can make a really big difference to our bodies and can help us be as healthy as can be. Ask you child what 'one small change' they would like to make!



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Diary Dates

Ski Trip – Sunday 21st to 28th January 2024

Y3 Trip to LIPA – Thursday 25th January

PGL Meeting for Y5 Parents/Carers (Zoom) – Monday 29th January 4pm

U11 Girls Football @ Tiber Street Hub – Tuesday 30th January 3pm

U11 Girls Football @ Simpson Hub – Friday 2nd February @ 1pm

Mass at SPB – Monday 5th February @ 9.15am

Y3 & Y4 Disco – Tuesday 6th February

U11 Girls Football @ Jeffrey Humble – Tuesday 6th February

U10 Boys Football @ Heron Eccles – Thursday 8th February

PTA Sponsored Pancake Run – Friday 9th February

School Closes for Half Term – Friday 9th February

Children Return to School – Monday 19th February 8.30am

U11 Boys Football @ Jeffrey Humble – Tuesday 20th February 3pm

Y4 First Holy Communion Sessions @ CTK – Tuesday 20th February at 4.15pm & 6pm

U11 Boys Football @ Heron Eccles – Tuesday 22nd February 3pm

Cross Country Race 5 @ Sefton Park – Monday 26th February 4pm

U11 Girls Football @ Heron Eccles – Thursday 29th February 3pm

Activities – Spring Term

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 08.01.24 for 5 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computing Club: 15.01.24 29.01.24		3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 09.01.24 for 5 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 08.01.24 to 28.03.24	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 10.01.24 for 5 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Wednesday	Wellbeing Club		3pm – 4pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 11.01.24 for 5 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 08.01.24 to 28.03.24	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	*Dot Art	Y5	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 12.01.24 for 5 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm-4.05pm

*No Dot Art Club on Thursday 25th January.

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

Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

Can we remind parents that dogs are not allowed within the school grounds.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, we have continued to explore the story Lost and Found. We have practised reading some of the phrases in the story with expression and we have used freeze frames to consider how the characters are feeling at different points in the story. In our creative area, we have used kitchen roll, paint and a range of media and materials to create the main characters (the boy and the penguin) in the story. We have also used our Fred fingers to sound out and write a list of things we would pack if we visited Antarctica! We have continued to sing the continent song and explore world maps too. With the weather getting colder, we came into school on Tuesday to find some penguins trapped in ice in our outdoor area! We carried out an ice investigation, suggesting how to free the penguins and predicating what will happen to the ice over time. We had some great ideas! We also had so much fun playing in the snow! In Maths, we have explored adding numbers to 10. We did this practically and then learned how to record addition using number equations. Homework this week reinforces this. In RE, we have learned about The Magi (The Three Wise Men) who visited baby Jesus after he was born and brought him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. We talked about gifts we have received and how it made us feel. We then enjoyed hot seating, imagining we were The Magi visiting Jesus. We considered how they might have felt, what they might have said and what they might have thought. Have a great weekend everyone, we are looking forward to hearing all of the fun and fascinating facts you have learned about penguins as part of our Topic Talk Homework!

YEAR ONE:

It has been a lovely week in Year 1. In English, we have identified noun phrases in pieces of text and written chapter descriptions using 'and' and 'because'. In Maths, we have been subtracting within 20, using a number line and partitioning using tens frames. In Science, we classified animals, recognising the key features of each group. In Geography, we identified the four countries and four capital cities on a map of the UK. We really enjoyed listening to our special visitor on Thursday, who came to talk to us about being healthy and keeping our teeth and bodies healthy by eating the right food. In RE we learnt about the important helpers at Mass on a Sunday, such as the Priest, Catechist and Eucharistic Minister.

YEAR TWO:

What a fantastic week of school we have had! In English, we have been continuing our topic on Roald Dahl, learning new vocabulary, using commas in a list and creating longer sentences using and. In Maths, we have continued to measure using metres and centimetres and have been introduced to the bar model for solving word problems. We have been continuing our Andy Goldsworthy inspired artwork, drawing different textures in preparation for planning our sculptures. On Tuesday morning, we had fun in the snow before coming inside to defrost and get warmed up again. We finished the day learning all about the genre of rock music and listening to Queen. On Thursday we had a fantastic session, Happy Healthy Lives and learned all about the ways to keep our bodies healthy. Finally, on Thursday afternoon, 8 children from Year 2 represented the school in a Matball competition at Croxeth Academy. The children showed fantastic determination and qualified for the City finals next Friday!

YEAR THREE:

The highlight of this week was the hour we all spent playing in the snow on Tuesday! Many children were prepared and had brought hats, gloves and wellies into school, so there were a lot fewer wet socks on the pipes than there has been in previous years!!!

Sorting rocks into similar characteristics was the focus 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 the changes in lifestyle throughout the three main stages of the Stone Age. In art, both classes created a 'string print' design block in the style of fossils they have observed, and in the R.E. lessons, the children explored a year in the Christian calendar. And around all these areas of learning, we explored 'length' 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:

Year 4 has had an exciting and productive week full of engaging activities across various subjects. In maths, we have started our new unit on graphs. Pupils created a journal that gave them chance to practise drawing out a bar graph, we considered appropriate scales to have running up the y-axis and titles for clarity.

In geography, we looked at early settlers in Britain and how their essential ingredients for life would be different to life now. We learnt that for early settlers, the priority would be access to water, food and shelter.

After reaching the conclusion of 'Wallace and Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death', pupils produced a storyboard documenting the key parts of the story. On Friday, we have started planning our own innovated versions of the book which we will be writing over the next week. On Wednesday, we investigated evaporation. We placed a wet tea towel in the hall, classroom and outside and left them there through the day. The towels were weighed at the start and the end to see from which towel the most water had evaporated.

YEAR FIVE:

In English this week, Year 5 have planned and begun writing our own sci-fi stories which are sequels to our key text, This Is Not Earth. In Maths we have been subtracting and multiplying fractions. We needed to turn improper fractions into mixed numbers and simplify our answers. In Science, we investigated which materials are soluble and which are insoluble and wrote about our findings. In RE, we made links between scripture and two hymns and discussed the messages they contained. In History, we rewound over 1000 years and learned all about what Baghdad was like in AD900 and why it was known as the cultural and learning capital of the world. Ask us about the riddle! One of the highlights again was our Art lesson. This week we learned how to draw two different styles of dragon eyes by following the artists' demonstrations. Our sketches are fantastic and we've even been practising them in our own time!

YEAR SIX:

This week Year 6 have started to write their own balanced argument outlining the reasons for and against the reasons for reintroducing wolves to the UK. We have practised using a range of sentences and various debate language in order to make our arguments formal. In maths, we have been converting fractions to decimals using methods of division and also (and most importantly) our place value knowledge. In History, we have been looking further into Viking invasions and investigating how the struggle for power was a slow and steady process, resulting in periods of time in which the Vikings had more control than others. We enjoyed using ICT in Science to find further information on the characteristics and traits of mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish.

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