



School News

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Thank you for all your amazing efforts on Friday for Children In Need. At the first count, we had raised just over £100 with non-uniform donations and the start of the bun sale. There were more buns and cake sold at home time so we will let you know the final total raised next week.

Well done to everyone who entered the Bake Off, they were all fantastic entries. Thank you to the parent judges in assembly who announced our winners. Congratulations to Fearne and Henry S from Robins, to Michael and David from Jays and to Zachary and Elizabeth from Owls who were our Bake Off Champions! Winners received a sparkly metal Pudsey Bear pin badge.

What's been happening in school this week...

Robins (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

This week in Science, Robins have been learning about recycling. We learnt about the process for recycling plastic and glass bottles. We also discussed the importance of recycling and the impact it has on the environment.

We have continued our dance topic in PE. This week, we were pretending to be stretchy men, the children worked in small groups to create some fantastic dance routines

We also had our open classroom this week. The children and their grown-ups worked very hard to create some fantastic fire engines!



Jays (Year 3 and Year 4)



This week in Literacy, we have been reading about all the disgusting things that George put in his marvellous medicine. We have been learning about the features of instructions. Next week, we will be writing our own instructions!

In Maths, Year 4 have completed their addition and subtraction unit and are all enjoying some work on area. Year 3 are continuing to embed their knowledge of the different strategies for effective addition and subtraction.

We have also been learning about the journey of a river from the source to its mouth and the importance of rivers in our topic lesson. We have also been sorting animals in many different ways

(vertebrate /invertebrate, habitats, if they lay eggs or don't, habitats, 5 main groups etc).

In unihoc, we are continuing to develop our basic skills and have had a couple of practice games to start to put these skills into practice.

Victoria and Mabel also made a fabulous Egyptian outfit which we wanted to share with you this week!

Owls (Year 5 and Year 6)

We have continued to work on our new Geography topic in Owls this week. This week we found out about how the water cycle and photosynthesis impact the development of life within a biome. We reviewed what these processes are and discussed how they influence each other.

We have been continuing with our work on fractions in maths this week – we have been working hard to find common denominators and to convert fractions to their simplest form. We have also been adding and subtracting fractions.

In English this week we have continued to read and discuss various aspects of our class novel *Ways to Make Sunshine*. We have also been learning about how to use apostrophes in a range of different ways – these have included apostrophes for contraction, singular possession and plural possession.

Year 6 also really enjoyed taking part in their first bikeability session on Wednesday this week. All of the children made an enormous amount of progress from their individual starting levels and we are really proud of what they all achieved. Some children will be continuing with their next bikeability award next week.

Notices

- Monday 4th December 3.30pm-5.30pm - Christmas Movie Night. Please look out for the posters around school. The event is being organised and hosted by Year 6 pupils and there are three movies to choose from; The Christmas Chronicles, Elf and Home Alone 2 (all rated PG). Pupils can bring their PJ's to school on the day and can get changed at the end of the school day to watch the movie. Snacks and a drink will be included in the ticket price. The tickets are now on sale in the office for £3 and are limited to 30 pupils per film.
- Friday 8th December –Farmers' Market - Come along and support our Farmers' Market in the school hall. Your child will be making items in class which will be on sale. There will be external stall holders selling candles, wax melts, handmade keyrings, recycled woolen items, wooden items, tree decorations, Christmas baubles and more! Hot food and drinks will also be on sale.
- Recycle your old Christmas Jumpers! Our Eco Club will be running their usual Christmas Jumper stall at our Farmers' Market. We would love for you to donate any Christmas jumpers that you have grown out of or no longer want and then come along to the Farmers' Market to buy yourself a 'new to you'/recycled Christmas jumper!
- Thursday 14th December (afternoon) -Christmas Shopping Event - if you have any unwanted new/nearly new items that you would like to donate to our PTFA Christmas Shopping event, there is a large green bag in the school reception area. Items such as toys, gifts for mums/dads etc. would be useful. Thank you for your support!

Diary Dates

- Wednesday 22nd November – Bikeability – Year 6 second session
- Wednesday 22nd November – Nasal Flu Vaccination – The letter and consent link was sent via parentmail on 20th October.
- Friday 24th November – SCHOOL CLOSED to pupils due to INSET Day
- Wednesday 29th November 8.50-10.30am—Jays and Owls Open Classroom session
- Monday 4th December—3.30pm—Christmas Film Night
- Thursday 7th December 6.30pm—Wreath Making Evening
- Friday 8th December 2.30-6pm—Midgley School Christmas Farmer's Market
- Monday 11th December 2pm—Christmas Carol Service at St. Mary's Church
- Tuesday 12th December 9.30am - Robins Christmas Nativity
- Wednesday 13th December 2.15pm - Robins Christmas Nativity
- Thursday 14th December pm—Christmas Shopping Event
- Monday 18th December pm - Whole School Christmas Party
- Wednesday 20th December pm—Whole School Christmas trip to Pantomime at Victoria Theatre
- Thursday 21st December 9am Christingle Assembly. Christmas Jumper Day—wear your Christmas Jumper to School for a suggested £1 donation to Overgate Hospice
- Thursday 21st December 3.20pm - School closes for Christmas
- Friday 22nd December—School closed to pupils
- Monday 8th January 2024—School reopens