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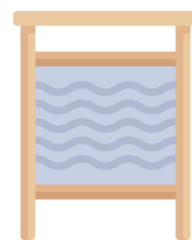
This week at Harewood

Turquoise Class have had a busy week! Year One are continuing to work on their independence in writing; they have been pretending to be the characters from Sam Usher's book, 'Rain', this week, and have written letters back and forth.

Reception are getting speedier and now need less support to write phrases with words containing the sounds they have learned. In maths, Year One are now building upon their simple calculation skills using the strategies they know to add and subtract, and Reception have begun to explore double numbers. In science, the children have been exploring different plants and seeds and sorting fruits and vegetables into their correct group. The children have made a rain gauge in D&T,



and as much as Mrs Jarratt and Mrs Stewart are hoping for some sunshine, a little bit of rain would be good for them to get the chance to measure the rainfall! This week in **Blue Class** the Year 1 children have been writing letters about how they wish they could play outside in the rain. The Reception children have continued writing words and sentences using their phonic knowledge. In RE the children discussed who stories are important to and how they tell the reader a 'moral.' They then thought about the stories explored this term and noticed that they all asked the reader to be kind, resilient and cooperative. In music, the children used the claves to compose a rhythm. In maths, the Reception children have been learning about time and how it can be measured in years,



months, days, hours, minutes and seconds. The Year 1 children have again been exploring adding numbers to 100 using different methods. In **Lilac Class** this week, the children have enjoyed listening to the story 'Rain' by Sam Usher. It's a book about a little boy who wants his Grandad to take him out to play in the rain and he has some very imaginative and creative ideas about what they could do outside! Grandad is less keen! The Year One children have been writing letters to Grandad in role and then from Grandad back to the boy and we have been impressed by their creativity. Reception children are becoming much more independent in their writing and have been enjoying applying all the new sounds they are learning to their work. In maths, Year One have been comparing different amounts of money and Reception have been learning about mass. In history, the children enjoyed looking at water artefacts from Victorian times such as washboards, dollies and tubs, chamber pots and stove kettles. They compared them to modern day equivalents and enjoyed drawing what they could see. The children have continued to carefully monitor the growth of their sunflower plants and have enjoyed watering them and making daily observations.

This week in **Yellow Class**, the children have worked hard in maths. Year one were splitting numbers into tens and ones. Reception were learning about the days of the week, months of the year and measuring time in seconds and minutes. In Forest School, they had a wonderful time exploring the pond. They found tadpoles and even a newt! They also found tomatoes growing and made a pretend tomato soup! It is lovely to see how well they work in a team! In DT, we were looking at units of measure and we made our very own rain gauges to measure rainfall at school. This week in **Green Class** the Year One's have been writing letters. They included full stops, exclamation marks and question marks in their sentences. Reception have been busy writing sentences and reading back their work to adults. In RE we read the story The Calming of the Storm. We discussed the values Jesus displayed. In DT we made a class rain gauge to measure the amount of rain we get each day. In maths, Reception doubled numbers and Year One practiced adding two-digit numbers together by counting on and by writing numbers in columns. We enjoyed using the claves in music to beat rhythms to patterns of sounds we made with our partners. We are all trying hard to remember how to be good Harewood Hares by keeping our classroom and outdoor area tidy and safe.



This week, the children in **Red Class** have been working their socks off completing maths assessments. They have all impressed us with their cooperation, resilience and focus. The children have also been writing some fantastic water safety instructions. Everyone enjoyed creating Matisse-inspired artwork, sea creature fact files and posters about characteristics of Scotland. In Sports Friday, the children enjoyed working together and they also loved Forest School, where they continued exploring habitats and thought carefully about what animals need to survive. **Orange Class** have been working incredibly



hard this week on their maths quizzes and have shown great determination and focus. In writing, the children wrote numbered instructions on how to stay safe near water, using lots of excellent bossy verbs. In science, they learned all about rainforests, and in geography they created colourful and informative posters about Scotland. This week in **Pink Class** the children have worked hard on their maths SATS papers. In English they have been learning about how to stay safe in water and writing instructions to support this. In maths we have been revisiting fractions and in geography we have completed learning about the

characteristics of the countries of the UK by learning about Wales. We have also been continuing our PSHE unit on Healthy bodies and minds by finding out what happens to our bodies during exercise and why it is so good for us.

Attendance and Value assemblies

Congratulations to Lilac Class who won the attendance cup this week with 97% attendance for the week. Red, Pink, Turquoise and Green classes also had over 95% attendance and so got to play our Classopoly game. Our 'In to Win' winners this week were Zenab from Turquoise Class and Bintia from Pink Class who chose prizes from the box. Cooperation is our value this term and in this week's celebration assembly, certificates were awarded to Lilah, George, Archie, Amelia, Seth, Paignton, Poppy and Isaac.



Earrings

For health and safety reasons, we ask that children do not wear dangly earrings to school. Small stud earrings are absolutely fine but dangly earrings can easily get caught during playtimes, PE lessons, and other activities, which may cause injury.

Forest School

Thursday 14 th May	Lilac Class
Friday 15 th May	Pink Class



Dates for your diary

Monday 1 st June	Staff training day – school closed for children
Thursday 4 th June	Class photographs
Monday 15 th June	Reception Sports Day – 9.15 – 11.00
Tuesday 16 th June	Year 1 Sports Day – 9.15 – 11.00
Wednesday 17 th June	Year 2 Sports Day – 9.15 – 11.00
Tuesday 23 rd June	Blue and Turquoise classes visiting Bristol Zoo
Wednesday 24 th June	Yellow and Green classes visiting Bristol Zoo
Wednesday 24 th June	Year 2 Circus Skills Day
Thursday 25 th June	Lilac Class visiting Bristol Zoo
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 2 Circus Skills Day
Tuesday 7 th July	Year 2 Leavers Performance at 2.15pm
Wednesday 8 th July	Year 2 Circus Skills Day
Thursday 9 th July	Year 2 Leavers Performance at 2.15pm
Monday 13 th July	Sea Legs Puppet theatre visiting with a performance of Three Little Pirate Pigs
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 2 Fun Day
Friday 17 th July	End of year iRock concert Last day of term. School closes at 12.30pm. There will be a joint picnic on the field with Harewood Junior School starting at 12.40pm. All are welcome!

Menu for the week beginning 11th May

	Hot meals Week 2			Meal deal
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4
Monday	Beef Burger in a Bap with Jacket Wedges	Veggie Burger in a Bap with Jacket Wedges	Jacket potato	Cheese Sandwich
Tuesday	BBQ Chicken with Fluffy Rice	Tomato and Basil Pasta	Jacket potato	Tuna Baguette
Wednesday	Roast Gammon & Gravy	Roast Quorn Fillet	Jacket potato	Egg Baguette
Thursday	Minced Beef Pie with Diced Potatoes	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baguette Slice	Jacket potato	Tuna Wrap
Friday	Fish fingers with chips	BBQ Mixed Bean Fajita	Jacket potato	Ham Sandwich

FREE
STUFF

Gloucestershire Bundles Free Event

Saturday 16th of May 10am - 12noon

Unit 2, Whitworth Court Baird Road

Waterwells Quedgeley GL2 2DG

The items will include:

Certain sizes of nappies that we have lots of (currently sizes 2 and 3)
Child Step Stools
Bath supports
World Book Day Books
Knitted cardigans and jumpers
Sample size shampoo, conditioner and toothpaste
Childrens toothbrushes
Shower Gel