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SING UP DAY

Thank you to the many parents, carers, grandparents and other family members that joined us this week to celebrate Sing Up Day. It was wonderful to share the children's music lessons with the parents and to demonstrate how much the Sing Up resource adds to our academy music lessons, as well as performances throughout the year. A big thank you to Mrs Moffatt for her endless energy and enthusiasm. Thanks also to Mrs Davies, a Sing Up Ambassador, for being involved in our celebration of singing during the day.

What's Great?

Lots of STEM Week related greatness this week!

Class 2C have been designing Polar Vehicles and have also been examining snowflakes

Class 4H have been investigating electrical journeys using the book "Until I Met Dudley"

Class 5T are busily designing eco-homes following a visit from Di Diane Bowles

Class 3C have been investigating tea-bag shapes and writing tea-related instructions

Class 6J have been conducting some Titanic investigations and looking at Morse Code

Class 1S have been designing and making pirate ships, investigating floating and sinking and making their own app.

Classes RN and 6D have been working together to make bird feeders.

Class RN have also been learning about looking after the planet.



Congratulations to the following children for working very hard and having their name written into the Gold Book: Daisy (6J), Henry (6D), Emily (6D), William (4H) and Phoebe (4H).

If you have any paperwork for the academy office when you drop off or collect from school, please feel free to leave this with whoever is on duty on the gate, rather than having to come to the academy office.

We are currently advertising for two Teaching Assistants—information available on our website. Please pass this information on to anyone that may be interested.

KEY DATES

15th Mar: Interim Reports sent out to parents

18th Mar: Parents' Consultation Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)

20th Mar: Parents' Consultation Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)

25th Mar: Class 2C visit to British Wildlife Centre

28th Mar: Class 4H chocolate workshop

28th Mar: Nearly New Uniform Sale at 3.00pm

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thank you very much for the amazing effort that went into the fabulous World Book Day costumes last week. As you know, we do not dress up for this day every year, so it makes it very special when we do. It was great to talk to the children about the characters they had chosen and to hear just how much they knew about their characters. We were due to have a visit from author/illustrator William Grill on World Book Day, but he lost his voice, so he was only able to sign copies of his books. We are currently rearranging his visit and there will be another chance to buy his books when he comes back.



STEM WEEK

There has been some really fabulous learning linked to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) this week. We have seen lots of practical learning involving so many different aspects of these curriculum areas. The children's learning from this week will be available for you to look at when you come to parents' consultation appointments next week.



I wanted to share some beautiful work by Daisy (6J) with you. Not only has Daisy produced a piece of learning that is amazing to look at, with a very mature handwriting style and a finished product to be very proud of, but the actual language and quality of the content is wonderful.

Here is an extract from Daisy's poem:

*My hands are snails and dragons
For I learn new shapes each night
Shadow-shapes of cats and trees
Dance through the bright night light*

FOBS FILM FRIDAY—SAVE THE DATE

There will be a Key Stage 2 Film Friday on 29th March 2019. The film is 'School of Rock' and more information will be sent out next week.

Also, coming soon is a new FOBS event—a talent show. More information to follow soon.

Despite many reminders, car owners continue to park and drive dangerously and illegally on the roads around the school.

Please consider the children's safety at all times.

29th Mar: Tennis taster sessions

29th Mar: KS2 Film Friday

4th Apr: Mother Tongue Day (details to follow)

5th Apr: Easter Service at All Saints Church (details TBC)

5th Apr: Academy closes for end of the Spring Term