

Gateway Gossip

4th February 2022

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Good afternoon all,

Welcome to the first newsletter of February! Hopefully we start to see the worst of the dark days and nights and poorest weather behind us now as we march through Spring term.

A busy week has been had by all! We have celebrated National Storytelling week, had guest storytellers online, held Shakespearean activities in the hall along with the Reading and Rugby Programmes regular visit this week, and so reading has been very high on the agenda yet again. We were also honoured to join a webinar with the illustrator of Harry Potter yesterday, what a fabulous experience! Every class reads every day, at least once I am proud to say, and the children have loved their trips to our library too. I hope you get a chance to indulge in some quality reading at home; it really is the key to academic success!

We are rapidly heading towards half term and want to remind you that school closes for children on Thursday 10th February as it is INSET training for teachers on Friday 11th February, so school is shut for teaching and learning on that day that falls just before the half term break.

A little reminder. Please remember how important attendance is in school and even with positive Covid cases we can support you to be working from home with your child. If you need any help then please let us know. In addition, punctuality and being in school on time is so important as lessons start straight away each day, so please do your best to set that alarm just a little bit earlier if you find yourself running late.

Have a wonderful weekend and as always, stay safe!

Best wishes,
Mrs Robinson

Dates To Remember

7th-13th February

Children's Mental Health Week

Thursday 10th February

Dress to Express for
Mental Health

Thursday 10th February

School closes for 1 week.

Friday 11th February

Inset day for staff.

Monday 21st February

School opens at 8.45am

Competition Time

Be in, on time all next week to be in with the chance to win one of our fabulous prizes.



Gateway Extra Wednesday Film and Pizza Night

The film on
Wednesday 9th
February is ...
Luca



Please book through the school office. Let us know if your child has any allergies.

**Please check ParentApp
and return the form for
who can pick up your
child. Thank you.**



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

Let's Celebrate!

Star Award

N - Jaxx
 RB - Sahara
 RG - Bethany
 1B - Oliwia
 1G - Harley-May
 2B - Neymar
 2G - Sara
 3B - Adam
 3G - Daisy
 4B - Matthew
 4G - Riley
 5B - Josh
 5G -
 6B -
 6G - Jibran



Core Award

N - Victoria
 RB - Tyler
 RG - Tyla-Tai
 1B - Jacob
 1G - Zayn
 2B - Nancy
 2G - Connor
 3B - Olivia
 3G - David
 4B - Eboney-Rose
 4G - Renee
 5B - Amelia
 5G -
 6B -
 6G - Christian

Reading Award

<u>RB</u> Libby	<u>1B</u> Miran	<u>3B</u> Poppy	<u>5B</u>
<u>RG</u> Skyla	<u>1G</u> Poppy-Mae	<u>3G</u> Bailey	<u>5G</u>
	<u>2B</u> Issac	<u>4B</u> Mackenzie	<u>6B</u>
	<u>2G</u> Daniel	<u>4G</u> Violet	<u>6G</u> Kara

Class Attendance Winners

RB
4B

Attendance Award

N - Nela
 RB - Tore
 RG - Leo
 1B - James
 1G - Devon
 2B - Riley
 2G - Libby
 3B - Ryan
 3G - Mahdi
 4B - Jaxon
 4G - Jenson
 5B - Ameia
 5G -
 6B -
 6G - Neon-Chase

Well done to all our winners!

Winners



Newton

House Teams

2nd

King

3rd

Earheart

4th

Curie

Overall



**Nursery, Reception,
Year 1 and 2**



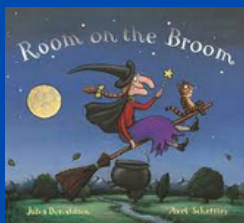
Mr Barnaby

"The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. This was one of the books I remember being read when I was at primary school. We have just finished reading it in 3B and the children had the same reaction to it as I did. We were all hooked to see if the Iron man would save the world from the Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon."

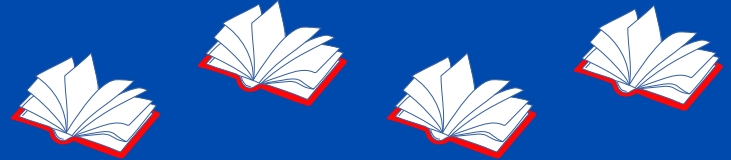


Daniel Year 4

"Room on a broom because the witch has adventures."



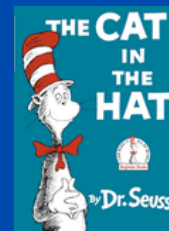
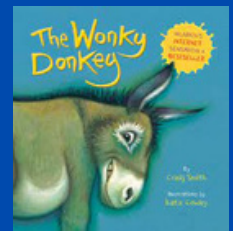
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6



We Love Reading

Evie Year 2

"The Wonky Donkey because it makes me laugh "

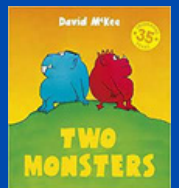


Mateusz Year 1

"The cat in the hat because it's fun. "

Miss Carter

"Two Monsters by David McKee. I enjoyed this book as a child because I thought it was funny. As I got older, I realised the moral of the story was about understanding someone else's point of view."



Gateway Shoutout

Mr Cornwell

For being such an amazing asset to year 3. You have shown such great progress in your journey to becoming a qualified teacher. Well done!



Miss Sim

For always being completely amazing! A true team player and always doing a very thorough job! You could receive this award every month! Thank you for all your hard work and positive energy!

Gateway's Amazing Learning!

Nursery and Reception

Another fantastic week in EYFS. We have begun our adventures with the Gruffalo in the Deep Dark Wood. It has been fantastic to see the children trying so hard with their RWI and watch them become increasingly independent with their writing.

Today we have made Gruffalo cakes with a science twist - we investigated how chocolate was a solid became a liquid and then became a solid again! Super learning with cake at the end - perfect!

Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing you all next week. The EYFS team.

Year 1 and 2

This week in maths we have been exploring capacity and comparing different containers. In English we have been looking at a letter that Goldilocks wrote to apologise to the 3 bears and we have been thinking about times when we have had to say sorry. In history we created a timeline of different toys from the Victorians until now.

Year 3 and 4

In Year 3 we have had a lovely week. We took part in a fun webinar with Jonny Duddle the illustrator for Harry Potter books. The children drew Hagrid by following along with Jonny. The pictures are brilliant. They were so proud of the end drawing. In maths we have been learning about place value. The children have been using place value counters and base 10 to support their learning.

In Year 4 the children had a great time finishing their art topic. They have created amazing artwork using 3D textiles and digital images.

In maths we have been learning all about fractions and beginning to add two fractions together.

In writing the children have been looking at persuasive texts exploring all the different features and boxing up their own plan.

Year 5 and 6

This week, Year 5 have continued to explore their persuasive T4W text 'Welcome to the School of Wizardry'. As part of our learning, the children have been locating features in persuasive texts and leaflets in order to support them with their writing. In maths, we have started our new topic on 'Geometry'. As part of this topic, we have been plotting coordinates and joining points on a grid. In Geography, the children have loved learning about the effects of volcanic eruptions and they had the opportunity to display their learning in the form of a descriptive diary entry. In Year 6 the children have enjoyed continuing with times table Bingo, mapping out their visit to Stanley Park and learning about the Fibonacci Sequence.



Any other business



NSPCC Number Day

Thank you for all your donations. Currently we are on £38

There is money left to count. Donations are still welcome!

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6

It's Competition Time! ...And we need YOU!!

From now until half-term (we break up on Thursday 10th February)

I will be looking to see how many times children are reading at home. The class with the most combined 'Home Reading Total' will win a full class set of the new novel by Maz Evans 'Vi Spy- Licence to Chill.'

For numbers to be counted, children will need to be writing in their home reading records for when they are reading at home and this will be entered onto our tracker.



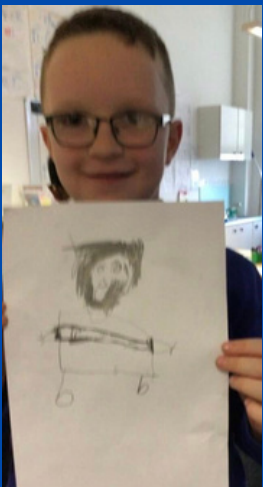
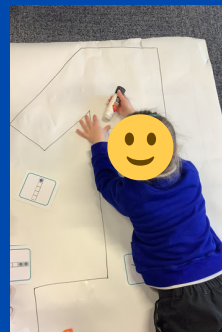
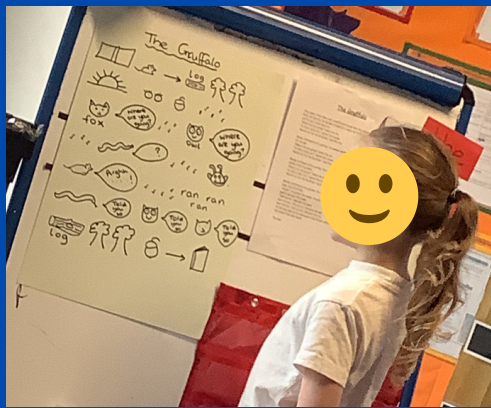
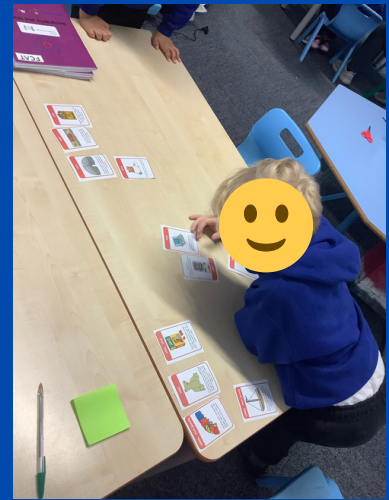
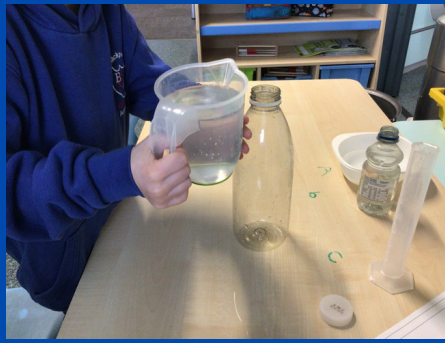
Next week is Mental Health Week. On the last day of term, Thursday 10th February, your child(ren) are invited to wear non-school uniform and 'Dress to Express'. We are looking forward to seeing all their outfits that describe them the best!

Please wear sensible shoes and bring coats for playtimes. Thank you



Good luck!

Our week in pictures!



School Website QR Code

Have a lovely weekend!



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