

Weekly Newsletter

02.02.2024



Upcoming Dates:

6th February: Safer Internet Day 2024

Head Lice:

Please check & treat your child accordingly. Increase in cases across school.

Lunch Reminder

If your child will be in late (due to medical appointment, for example) please still remember to book school lunch before 9:30am.

Sewing Club

Our after-school Sewing and Craft Club have been making teddy bears over the last two weeks and here are the results. We enjoyed a teddy bears' picnic with our new friends at the end of the club. Watch this space for our future sewing and craft projects – we have lots planned!



KS2 Debate this week:

“Zoos are cruel and all animals should be released into the wild.”

AGREE or DISAGREE?

Some really interesting & considered views from your/our children! Confidence brimming.

School Council Updates

Pupil voice across school: what motivates us the most?

Most popular:

- Praise by teachers
- Active badges
- Show Mr Abbs my work
- Weekly assembly

What we want more of:

- more praise to our parents (All)
- more computer time as a reward (KS2)
- toy rewards (Reception)

Thanks for your feedback, children. We have launched our new 'Dojo Toy Shop' in Jeffers (in response) and are reflecting on the other two areas as a staff.



More recently, children have identified maths is their favourite of the core subjects, with PE, Computing & Art the most popular for foundation subjects. Useful feedback, especially for the *least* favourite subjects and our Subject Leaders' next task of finding out why!

Learning Highlights of the Week

Highlight Jeffers:

This week in Jeffers Class we have been finding out about 3D shape. The children in Year 1 have explored the properties of each shape and worked together to sort a selection of shapes into groups. All children have enjoyed using the 3D shapes to build models.



Highlight Shireen:

Shireen class have been enjoying looking at the clouds this week, linked to our Science unit of work, Weather and Seasons. We have been keeping a record of which clouds we can see in the morning, and using our knowledge to predict what the weather will be like that day.

Highlight Riddell:

This week in Riddell Class we have been physicists, sports stars and sculptors. We have investigated how light reflects off different objects and seen the effects warping a mirror has on reflections. We have practised building a tennis rally in PE and learned how to aim our shots over a net. We have also been modelling models of the Great Sphinx out of clay in art. Another action-packed week in Riddell!



Highlight Gold:

The highlight this week came during our PE lesson. After watching some Olympic gymnasts completing their floor routines, the children made fantastic attempts to use some of the ideas, when developing their own routines. The children thought carefully about how they linked each of their movements together, which resulted in some wonderful performances.

Curriculum Champions

This week's Curriculum Champions are:

Jeffers Class: Leon, Abe, Frankie, Jenson

Shireen Class: Elsie H, Layla-Fae, Finley, Evelyn

Riddell Class: Nathan, Harry Wr, Lucy

Gold Class: Mason, Aysha, Jake



Attendance Matters



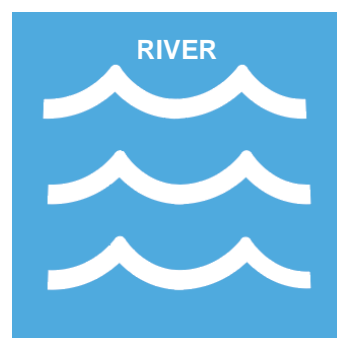
100% Attendance = 100%

Winning class for week ending 26.01.2024

Shireen Class: 97.04%

Whole School: 95.57%

HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK:



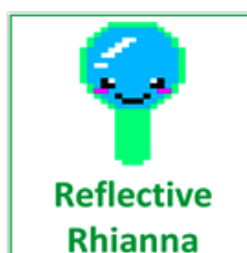
Community News and Events this week: - click [HERE](#)



Please see Sid the Cygnet on his website page – click [HERE](#)

Reading Blog [HERE](#)

Celebration Awards Assemblies - click [HERE](#)



New in green; Emphasizing/Revisions in yellow

Spring 1

6th February: Safer Internet Day 2024

Spring 2

w/c 26th February: Year 1 & 2 Assessments

w/c 4th March: Year 6 Assessments

7th March: World Book Day Legend (dress as any character you like!) Book Club Event

8th March: Book Club: World Book Day Event

8th March: Year 1 & 2 Class Assembly

11th March: Queen Mother Handwriting Competition

12th March: DT Day: British Science Week

15th March: Big Red Nose Coin Drop (assembly)

15th March: Science Day: British Science Week

19th March: Parents Evening 3

20th March: Parents Evening 4

23rd Maths: World Maths Day (Saturday) – celebrating 22nd March in school

26th March: PM Egg Rolling Competition

27th March: PM: Egg Decorating

28th March: Assembly & FOES Egg Hunt **TBC**

Summer 1

22nd April: Pool Opens **TBC**

26th April: Year R Class Assembly

w/c 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6)

17th May: FOES Disco: **TBC**

20th May: Healthy Week

w/c 20th May: Year 2 Assessments

24th May: Sports Day

Summer 2

w/c 10th June: Phonics Screening Check & Assessments (Year 1)

w/c 3rd June: Year 3, 4, 5 Assessments

Between 3rd – 14th June: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

21st June: World Music Day

1st & 2nd July: Bikeability (Year 5 & 6)

4th July: Sid the Cygnet's 4th Birthday: Geography Fieldwork & FOES Sponsored Walk: **TBC**

8th – 10th July: Hilltop Residential (Year 5 & 6)

15th -19th July: Transition Week: **TBC**

17th July: EOY Reports released

19th July: Head's Award, Badges, FOES Best Dressed Summer Theme, Leavers Assembly

19th July: Year 6 Enterprise funded lunch: **TBC**

19th July: Year 6 Pool Party PM: **TBC**