<u>Newsletter</u>



East Whitby Weekly News

Genies: This week in Genie class we have continued to read and learn about Goldilocks and the 3 bears. We have used natural resources to create our own bear faces at the table and we have continued to discuss positional language, size using the words big & small and following instructions throughout the week. We've been making headbands with bear ears so we could pretend to be the bears from our story, we practiced repeating phrases from the book. And we even made porridge just like mummy bear we all tried it which was fantastic and most of us enjoyed it!

<u>**Pixies</u>** This week we have continued reading Goldilocks and the three bears. We talked about words that were in the story and put them in new sentences. Our favourite is 'magnificent'. In Phonics our new sound was t and in Maths we have learned to recognise the number 2 and match it to the correct quantity.</u>

Sprites: This week we've read the 'Little Red Hen' and found out that it is a traditional story. We've been using stones to grind spices, just like the hen did, to make her flour. In our Jigsaw PSHE session, we talked about each of us being 'unique' but different from each other. We each made a link for a class paper chain and drew all the things that make us special and unique, then joined them together into one fabulous Sprites class!

Elves This week we have completed task 2 of our building buddies scheme with Barratt Homes. Task 2 we decided how many homes we are building, who the homes are for and what makes them special. We have looked at some addition problems in maths, we have done some revision in phonics looking at groups of graphemes e.g. we had an oa day looking at the graphemes o, o-e and oa. We are also starting to look at our homes, our town and our country.

<u>Phoenixes:</u> In year 2 we have been learning about the natural and physical geographical features unique to Whitby. We have been learning about jobs people do in Whitby. In maths we have been exploring number sequences. We have also made a good start rehearsing the KS1 Nativity.

<u>Unicorns</u> The Y3s this week have developed their draft reports into Antarctica, using independent research to inform them. We are also in the process of mastering our 4 and 6 times tables! Furthermore, the class have designed their own 'travelling' sequence of movements in Gymnastics and have finished their self-portraits. A packed week - well done Y3s!!

<u>Centaurs:</u> This week we have been working on the process of digestion and are producing some incredible information reports about it which we can't wait to share with you. In maths we are starting to look at multiplication with carrying and are starting to master this too. The children really enjoyed meeting Jenny Pearson this week, an author who had us trying to break world records and was so passionate about reading and writing too.

<u>Griffins</u> Yet another busy week for year 5. In maths we have been working hard on fractions. Converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa. We have been working hard to get our wooden bridges finished and researching more about space for our non chronological report. Just a reminder that homework is given out every Friday and needs to be returned for the following Wednesday. Only

Gnomes © In Gnomes this week we have been looking at the sound 'g' and hopping during squiggle. In maths we have been counting 1-30 and ordering 1-20. Our nursery rhyme has been 'a sailor went to sea' and have been playing in water with ships and shells. <u>Dragons</u> This week in year 6, we have written biographies about Bram Stoker and a chapter of Dracula. We looked at the different landscape in Whitby and talked about why they might have inspired authors. In maths, we have continued working with fractions.

<u>Pegasus:</u> in our maths groups we have started to look at multiplication in arrays and equal groups. In literacy we are continuing to use the story of Beegu to inspire the sentences we write using colourful semantics. In the afternoons the children have really engaged with our DT, dance and oracy sessions. We are very proud of all the children in our groups and sessions as they are so settled and making great progress too. Time really does fly when you're having fun! Another week is drawing to a close and once again it has been another week of exceptional experience and achievement at East Whitby.

On Monday, years 4,5 and 6 met Jenny Pearson, an author who was so enthusiastic about writing and reading and fired the children up to give books and writing their all. She also had us try to beat the world record for the number of pairs of socks put on in a minute which was quite the sight to see!

Children continue to impress us with how hard they are working, this week the CEO of the Enquire Learning Trust paid us a visit and he was incredibly impressed with what is happening in our school, every child he spoke to talked confidently and enthusiastically about the learning going on which was a really wonderful thing to see.

Don't forget to let us know if your child is doing anything outside of school towards their pride of East Whitby Awards...the first round of awards will be handed out very soon. 😊

We would like to thank you all again for your understanding in relation to the building work taking place, there are lots of exciting developments coming soon and we are really looking forward to sharing them with you all. Unfortunately things such as the tarmac timings today are out of our control, we are endeavouring to make things as disruption free as possible but sadly we are not always able to avoid it. Thank you for baring with us at this time.

Star of the week!	
Pixies	Isla
Sprites	Nancy Bee
Elves	Lily
Phoenixes	Mia
Unicorns	Alan
Centaurs	Jackson
Griffins	Warren
Dragons	Honnie
Pegasus	Charlie
Gnomes	Jack and Harry

Dates

- 29.11.23 FOS bingo.
- Christmas fair 8.12.23
- EY Nativity: 13.12.23
- KS1 Nativity 18.12.23
- Carol service 20.12.23
- Christmas party day 21.12.23
- Hope assembly 21.12.23

Attendance this week	
Sprites	91%
Elves	91%
Phoenixes	95%
Unicorns	94%
Centaurs	96%
Griffins	97%
Dragons	97%
Pegasus	91%



Eyes down and looking! It's time for Christmas Bingo! Join us on Wednesday 29th November, doors open at 5.00pm with a 5.30pm start. Great prizes and refreshments available, come and support us raising funds for our amazing school. More info to follow ③

This year we are inviting families to join us for our hope assembly. This is a gorgeous moment of calm at a hectic time of year. However, we will have strict limits on numbers and will operate a system where each class will be allocated a set number of family spaces and names will be drawn from a hat. Further details will follow next week. ©



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