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East Whitby Weekly News

<u>Genies:</u> We've loved reading the Rainbow fish so far this week, it's been a lovely story to encourage sharing with friends and a great opportunity for some lovely colourful crafts. We've been practicing counting 1-5 and listening to instruments and guessing the correct sound.

Pixies: Our book this week was Billy's Bucket. We have loved joining in to retell the story and using our imagination to decide what we would want in the bucket. Our sound of the week was sh and in Maths we have looked at which number comes before using a number track 0-5. In RE we talked about churches and the Pixies have been very interested in looking at photos of churches in Whitby and sharing their experiences of when they have been in church. We even looked at my (very old!) wedding photos!

Sprites: We've been fascinated with the facts learnt whilst reading 'Surprising sharks' this week. We couldn't believe how different some of the sharks look and that a Dwarf Lantern shark is only the size of a chocolate bar. When we were writing some of us decided to use exclamation marks for our surprising sentences! In RE, we have been looking at pictures of churches and finding out that they are a special building for Christians. We looked inside a church at the different things there and found out what they were used for.

Elves: WOW what an amazing trip to the Danby Moor Centre! The children loved all the activities and represented school amazingly. This week we have also been looking at instruction texts. We have read lots of different instructions and can spot the features. We did a shared write of how to make a sandwich and then had a go at writing our own instructions about how to plant a seed. In maths we are working on time, including the days of the week and the months of the year. Next week we will be reading and making half past and o'clock on a clock. In topic time we have been looking at trees and identifying them by looking carefully at their leaves.

Phoenixes: Year 2 have been busy finishing off their science project. this week. In literacy they have written some amazing setting descriptions. In maths they have been collecting and plotting data. They children has a great time at the Danby Moor Centre.

<u>Unicorns</u> As well as beginning their topic on angles and 2d/3d shapes, the Year3s have finished a wonderful piece of writing about zoos and have begun making their zoo enclosures. We first chose an animal we wanted to care for, considered their individual needs as per the 5 needs of animal welfare (RSPCA) and designed our enclosures to suit these. They are beginning to look fabulous! Our trip to Flamingo Land Zoo has really helped them with this. Well done Year 3!

<u>Centaurs</u>: Another super busy week for Year 4, we've pretty much finished our look at electricity with the exception of completing our biography on Thomas Edison, and are now experts in lighting bulbs and buzzing buzzers! We are continuing our reading work on Varjak Paw and have left the book on a real cliff hanger with Varjak plunging in to darkness! In PHSE we talked about how we take after our parents in lots of ways

<u>**Griffins**</u> Super week for Year 5. We have been doing a lot of production practise with Year 6, we cant wait for you to see it! In Maths we have been doing negative numbers and working on converting units. (Km- metres and L-millilitres) etc. We had a great afternoon at the beach on Wednesday, thanks again to Mr and Mrs Lawson for fundraising for this.

Gnomes: This week in Gnomes we have enjoyed mark making in the tuff spot using paint brushes. We have enjoyed the nursery rhyme 'Ring-o-ring of roses' and have learnt the actions to go with it. In Maths we have been learning positional language - on, under, next to, behind and in front. We have enjoyed lots of water play outside, making the most of the sunshine! <u>**Dragons**</u> This week the year 6 children have been working incredibly hard on their production, it looks and sounds great! The children had a fantastic time at the beach with Year 5, the weather was great and we enjoyed lots of beach games and sandcastle building!

Pegasus This week in Pegasus Class our Literacy group have started and nearly finished writing their character descriptions of the character from Wild. Our Finding Out group created rainbow rain in a beaker through a cloud of shaving foam. In Transition group the children made a booklet about their new school using pictures that they took on a visit this morning.

As we fly towards the end of the summer term, time seems to speed up at East Whitby, however the amount we still have left to cram in to the last few weeks is incredible! The children have coped really well with the warmer weather but please ensure they come to school with a sun hat, water bottle and suncream on, we've had lots of children without this week.

We've been looking at the end of year assessments in school this week and we are incredibly proud of how well all the children have done across the school this year, well done to everyone for all their hard wok.

Year 5 and 6 had a fab trip to the beach on Wednesday, the sun shone, they played games, ate ice cream and dug massive holes! It was a pretty perfect afternoon! Year 1 and 2 also had a great time up at the Danby Moors Centre today! It did try to rain on them, but that didn't dampen their spirits and they had a fantastic day. All the children were a credit to school.

Please keep an eye on the school social media pages and class pages as there is an awful lot coming up over the next few weeks.

Have a great weekend, hopefully the rain doesn't come to much!

Star of the week!		
Pixies		
Sprites	Tommy	
Elves	Freddy B	
Phoenixes		
Unicorns	Levi	
Centaurs		
Griffins	Freddie	
Dragons	Maizie	
Pegasus	Dempsey	
Gnomes		

Don't forget to book school dinners. Can we also remind you to book and pay for Breakfast and Afterschool Club in advance.

Attendance this week	
Sprites	93%
Elves	92%
Phoenixes	90%
Unicorns	91%
Centaurs	97%
Griffins	91%
Dragons	84%
Pegasus	98%

Dates

- 1st July Y4 trip to Whitby Abbey (PM)
- 3rd July Sports day. All children to come in sports clothing for the day. AM sports day events on the field. Weather permitting
- 5th July Summer fayre.
- 10th July Year 4 and 5 Robotics workshop with the RAF in school (this is a change to the original date)

PARKING: please <u>do not</u> use the school drive or the parking bays down the drive unless you have a permit. Please consider the safety of all the children when using the drive.

Do not use the disabled bays unless you have a disabled badge.

