

2nd May – 5th May 2023

Weekly Highlights!

What a lovely end to the week we have had with our coronation picnic. I hope you are all at home, warm and dry after the sudden torrential downpour which brought the afternoon to an abrupt end. Thank you so much to the parent who loaned us the use of their brolly and saved us from getting completely soaked as we saw everyone off the field.

It was a real pleasure seeing our families enjoying the sun and sharing time with friends. A huge thank you also for taking your rubbish with you, which made the clearing up afterwards really quick. In the rush some people have left some of their property behind. We will put this out on the playground next week, weather permitting, for you to collect.

Other highlights this week began with two lovely assemblies from our Year 1 children. On a sunny morning, they shared their geography work taking us on a journey from learning about the months of the year and which months formed the seasons to their understanding of the southern and northern hemispheres and the equator. This was all wrapped up in some excellent public speaking and song all of which was very much enjoyed by all who watched.

Today Reception have enjoyed a trip to Middleton Library, where they have learned about what a library is and how it can be used to enjoy some great books. Both the classes have registered with the library so that every child is able to borrow a book to enjoy in school. Two more visits are planned before the end of this academic year, which will hopefully instil in the children a wish to join the library for themselves and continue developing their love of reading.

Today is also the final day for children in Years 4 & 5 to submit their applications for the role of Children's Champion representing Middleton & Heywood. We have 6 children applying for this prestigious post. Each child has had to think carefully about what they would wish to bring to the Rochdale borough that would impact the lives of young people in the Middleton & Heywood area. Miss Donlan has supported the children in completing their applications and is very proud of the commitment and enthusiasm that they have shown. We wish them all the best and hope that one of our children is lucky enough to become the voice of other children.

Last week, whilst celebrating our sporting successes, I forgot to share the amazing achievements of our Year 3 and 4 girls' football teams. The girls won the Year 3 tournament and came 3rd in the Year 4. They were very enthusiastic about their success and very proudly displayed their medals in school. If you scroll through the earlier posts today, you will see a picture of them after the tournament. Well done girls!

Last week we also said goodbye to two members of staff; Mrs Campbell and Miss Keogh. Miss Keogh had left us at the end of the last academic year, but had recently re-joined us to cover the Year 2 class in Mrs Campbell's absence. Both of these ladies are moving on to pastures new. I'm sure you will join me in thanking them and wishing them well in their new jobs.

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. A nerve wracking time, but I'm sure you will join with me in wishing the children the best of luck as they complete the tests.

I have attached some of the pictures of today's coronation picnic for you to enjoy. I hope you all enjoy the long weekend and look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday. Year 6 make sure you get an early night so you can do your absolute best!

Best wishes,
Mrs Cooke