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Attendance

Whole school target 97%

Whole school	96.1%
Foundation 2	96.7%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 4	96.6%
Year 5	95.6%
Year 6	96.2%

Message from Mr Wilkes

I had the pleasure of attending the Rock Choir concert this week. The groups demonstrated their learning over the term and performed in front of parents. Well done, YOU ROCK!

I look forward to hearing some more next week.

We have also had success at the Netball Tournament this week where the team came second. Well done and thanks Mrs Carre.

Year 6

I just want to shout out our fantastic year 6 children who have worked really hard this week during their assessments. They have shown real determination and resilience and have had a really positive experience. This will give the staff and children some great insights into preparing them for their SATs in May. Well done everyone, I am really proud of you.

Please remember that now the weather is warming up and the evenings are lighter, Lime Trees will need to use the playground after school. Please could you make sure you vacate the site by 3.45 please.

Red Nose day and Wear a Hat Day

Children are welcome to wear Red Noses on Friday. We have spent some time looking at how the money is used from this charity. Next Friday, 27th it is Wear a Hat Day to raise money for Brain Tumour Research - please bring £1.00 and a silly hat



FOUNDATION 1 NEWSLETTER

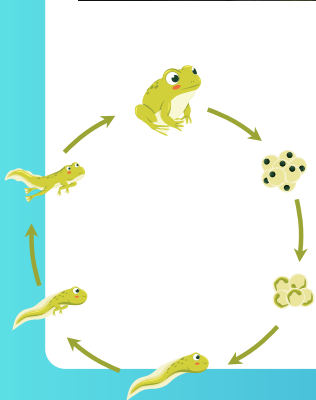


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What's been happening?

This week we have loved looking into pattern in both Maths and our Penpals mark making! Drawing on big paper and backs.

We've been putting meaning to our patterns and beginning to understand it's a rule that goes again and again.



Dates for your diary

- Please come to school in some wellies or shoes you don't mind getting muddy on Friday the 20th for outdoor learning.
- [Link to whole school dates](#)

Important information

We have two exciting days coming up in nursery!

On **Tuesday the 24th** at 1pm we have been invited to visit Christ church for an Easter service.

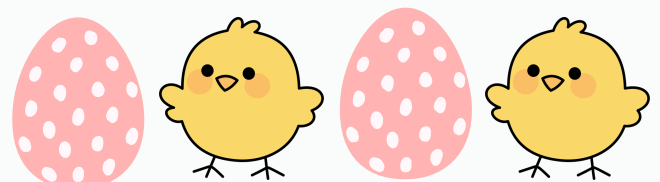
On **Friday the 20th** the final day at school before the holidays. we will be having a morning of outdoor learning to explore lifecycles and hopefully find some frogspawn!

If you are available to come and help out and play with us for either events please email nursery@thelanes.notts.sch.uk

Looking ahead

Next half term is Summer 1! We are starting alliteration in Phonics and hearing the starting sounds in words.

In Summer 1, we will be starting mark making with dots and lines and in Maths we will be doing more patterns and some number games.



Have a great break! Be safe and rest up for the last term.

FOUNDATION 2 NEWSLETTER



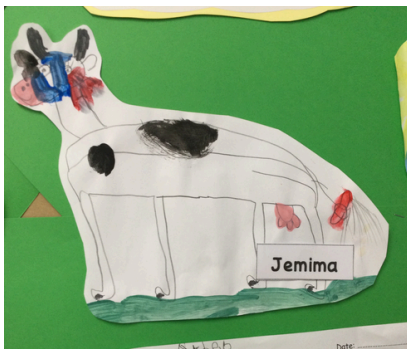
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What's been happening?

We are so proud of all the children who have made amazing progress with their phonics and Maths.

We are beginning to use Year 1 handwriting lines for writing our letters. The children have really taken to this challenge and have shown us how neat their handwriting is.

We have introduced independent paint stations in each class. The paint is in soap dispensers and the children can easily access and mix their own colours before painting. They have been really sensible at using these carefully and have created some lovely artwork.



Important information

Star Assembly this week:

F2DW - Isaac

F2AO - Sami

F2PB - Kobe

We are going to Christchurch on Tuesday 24th March in the afternoon for an Easter celebration. If you can help on the walk and stay please get in touch with your class teacher.

Don't forget about Parents' Celebration on Thursday 26th at 8.45-9.30, in your child's class.

Looking ahead

Our last week of this half-term will be exploring Easter and Spring:

EAD: we will be doing still-life drawings of daffodils

Writing: we will be working towards writing our messages to the Farmer warning him of the two thieves' plan.

Maths: investigating numbers within 7 using part, part, whole

Phonics: air and er

Handwriting: j and y

R.E: we will be focusing on the Easter story and why Easter is important to Christians.

Dates for your diary

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- [Link to whole school dates](#)

YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER



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What's been happening?

There has been a lot of excitement in Year 1. We have all loved building castles with strong defences and testing them against an enemy bombardment!

In Maths, we have been counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and identifying the odd and even numbers.

In English, we have been learning the meaning of new words in our book 'The Castle The King Built' words such as: strumming, piping, lyre, minstrels and grooms. We acted out the various jobs people had within the castle too.

Our phonemes this week were a challenge, we revised sh and its alternatives eg s, ss, c, t - in words such as special, station, percussion.



Dates for your diary

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- [Link to whole school dates](#)

Important information

We are very excited to present our castle assemblies to you all next week - Start time 9.10am.

1WV - Monday 23rd

1EH - Tuesday 24th

1AW - Wednesday 25th

Please arrive at reception where you will be shown into the hall to take your seats.

Everyone is welcome!

Looking ahead

On Monday 23rd March, we are going to Christ Church for an Easter celebration as part of our learning in RE. If any parents are available to walk us to and from the church please could you email the Year 1 team.

year1@thelanes.notts.sch.uk

In English, we will be writing question words and sentences.

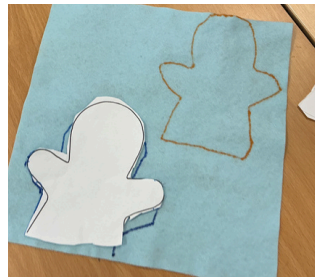
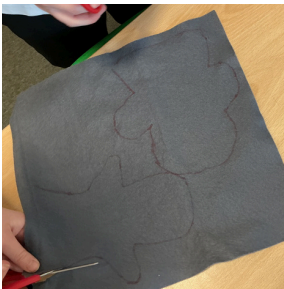
In Math's we will revise names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes

YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER



What's been happening?

We have enjoyed creating our hand puppets. We will be finishing these off next week!



In science, we looked at food chains.



In English, we have begun exploring poetry all about owls, and children have been gathering adjectives and creating noun phrases to describe different parts of an owl.

Dates for your diary

- Tuesday 24th March 11-12 Christ church visit for Easter service.
- [Link to whole school dates](#)

Important information

Reminder, tomorrow is Red Nose Day, and it is a normal school uniform. Your child may bring a nose, and donations are welcome.

Year 2 is visiting Christ Church on Tuesday for an Easter service.

Also, as mentioned last week, we have our Residential meeting after school on Monday at 3:40 in the Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you can't make it, the slides will be available.

Looking ahead

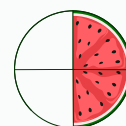
Maths: Finishing our shapes unit and beginning fractions.

English: Continue exploring poems and begin writing our own owl poem.

RE: creation story

DT: finishing our puppets and evaluating

Art: Painting our clay hedgehog sculptures.



YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER



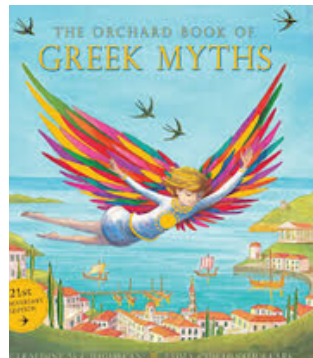
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What's been happening?

It's been a fun and learning-packed week in Year 3! The children have been working brilliantly on their reading assessments, showing off everything they've learned so far. We've also begun diving into some brilliant Greek myths and legends, exploring key vocabulary and unpicking the exciting language that makes these stories so memorable.

In Maths, we've taken a hands-on approach to fractions. The class have been learning how to make the whole and have started working confidently with tenths.

All in all, it's been a busy but thoroughly enjoyable week!



Important information

Year 3 PE days this half-term

3DC - Tuesday

3IM - Tuesday

3CD - Wednesday



Year 3 Parent Event

You're welcome to visit the Y3 classrooms from 2.45 on Thursday 26th March to look at the work from this half-term. There will also be a small retelling of the Ancient Greek myth of Theseus and the Minotaur.

Star of the Week

3IM - Hugo & Sophie

3DC - Joshi & Barin

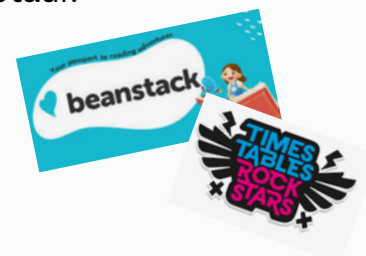
3CD - Jake W & Floyd



Looking ahead

We'll be revisiting expanded noun phrases in English to help us create frightening, descriptions linked to our Greek myth work. In Maths, the children will be learning how to find fractions of numbers. In Science, the class will design their own plant, thinking carefully about what it needs to survive. We're also looking forward to welcoming parents on Thursday to look through the children's books and enjoy a retelling of Theseus and the Minotaur.

Please continue to log reading on beanstack and encourage use of TT Rock Stars.



Dates for your diary

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YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER



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What's been happening?

- In Maths, we have been learning about adding and subtracting fractions. We will end the term by finding fractions of amounts.
- In English, we are continuing to enjoy our Ditherus Wart story and we have been looking at how the author has used exaggeration to make the characters look ridiculous.
- In Geography we have looked at the names of towns and cities that were originally settled by invaders from different places.
- We have now finished our assessments for this term - Well done Year 4 for working so hard!



Important information

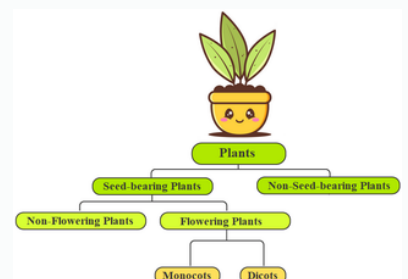
4TG's final outdoor learning session will take place tomorrow 20th March. After that, outdoor learning will be finished for year 4 - Thank you for ensuring your children had the correct equipment each time.

Lost Property - We've got a lot of lost property at the moment, please ensure that your child's clothing is labelled correctly. If your child has accidentally brought home anyone else's things, please could you return them to school.

We're looking forward to visiting Christ Church on Wednesday next week to learn about the Easter Story.

Looking ahead

- In ICT we will be continuing to use software that allows us to edit and improve digital photographs.
- Our History lesson includes some art as we explore Roman Mosaics and create one for ourselves.
- In Science we will be learning about identifying plants using a classification diagram.



Dates for your diary

- Red Nose Day 20th March
- Visit to Christ Church 25th March
- End of Term 27th March
- [Link to whole school dates](#)

YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER



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What's been happening?

- In Maths, we have started to look at decimals representations using a number line with a focus on tenths, hundredths and thousandths.
- In reading, we continued Beowulf, with a focus on the vocabulary used during the fight.
- In writing, we looked at relative clauses which add more information. Then we wrote and edited our recount evoking fear.
- Children have worked really hard over the last two weeks completing assessments - Well done Year 5.



Important information

Stars of the week

- Stars in 5CT: **George and Luna**
- Stars in 5MS: **Helayna-Lily and Saksham**
- Stars in 5CC: **Rista and Freddie**
- 5CC: **No swimming this week** due to residential and we will have PE on Fridays.
- 5MS: No P.E due to residential
- 5CT: Outdoor learning will be on Wednesdays with Miss Howe (as normal), so please ensure that appropriate kit is provided, including additional socks. P.E. is on Friday.
- For orienteering, a change of footwear is suggested due to the muddy field.
- Remaining pupils from 5CC and 5MS, will have P.E. with a coach on Wednesday.

Looking ahead

- Residential has arrived - we are all very excited.
- Those not on residential will either be in classes (when together) or distributed across other classes (see message from the office).
- The remaining days, we will still cover Maths (decimals), reading (non Fiction) and a trip to the local church.

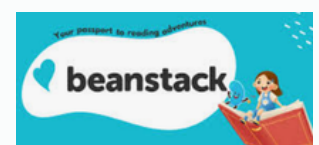
Reminders

- Reading x4 on Beanstack.
- Timestable Rockstars - Competition.
- Spellings will continue coming home on Thursday for homework (please complete by next week.)



Dates for your diary

- Residential dates
- 5CT and 5CC 23rd to 24th March
- 5MS and 5CC 24th to 25th March
- [Link to whole school dates](#)



YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER



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What's been happening?

This week in Year 6 we completed our final practise SATs run-through. This week has run brilliantly and given the cohort the chance to feel what it may be like in smaller groups, perhaps in smaller rooms and to the correct time allotment. As a year group, they performed amazingly and have risen to the challenge.

Year 6 had their first football session at lunchtime on Tuesday. Many children took part and enjoyed a bit of fresh air and spring sunshine whilst sharpening their footie skills. This club will be running again next week; please ensure you bring a spare pair of footwear to change into after the session.



Important information

Summer Term PE days

6PW/ 6DS = Monday / Rounders

6LS = Thursday / Rounders

SATs book homework.

Please note that the setting of SATs homework will end. What we would like you to do is take ownership of your learning; look in your SATs book and consider the areas that you need to revise. If there are any concerns or misconceptions, please email or speak to your teacher.

Maths

We have almost finished our first time around the maths curriculum. We will now be exploring: Ratio, volume and statistics in all their forms.

Looking ahead

27th March - Live Museum Holocaust Zoom call with a holocaust survivor.

Easter holidays - 30/3/26 - 13/4/26

Dates for your diary

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Joke of the week

Q. Why did the duck cross the road?
A. Because it was the chicken's day off!

School News

FROM THE REPORTERS

Headlines

SATs Practice Week

This week Year 6 have been busy doing lots of tests. This is because they will be sitting their SATs after the Easter Holidays and the teachers wanted to give them a chance to practise and to find out what it will be like when they do the real thing. Lots of grown ups were around to read questions and the children were in groups to help them really concentrate. Reporters Sophie and Eloise interviewed some Year 6 students to find out about their experience.

Sophie: What was it like to be in a group when you did your test?
Year 6: I liked it. It was a good system and it mean it didn't feel tense.

Eloise: What were you doing when you weren't doing your SATs?
Year 6: We went into the hall with our friends to do some tasks. I liked doing the reading tasks because we got to be imaginative and we could work it out together with our friends.

We are all so proud of Year 6. They were amazing! So if you see them, give them a round of applause.

Netball Success

On Tuesday, some of The Lanes netballers went to Nottingham Girls High School for a tournament. They had a fabulous time playing teams from six different schools. The Lanes won five of their matches and only lost one! The matches and tournaments the team have attended really have helped improve their skills. After the tournament, the team had biscuits and juice to get their energy up. One netballer said, "It was an amazing experience and, even better, we came second place!" There were also prizes for best coach, best umpire and most improved. Sadly, we didn't win any of them but we still did great.

Reading in Year 2

Every day, children from Year 6 read with younger children in year 2 to advance their reading skills. The aim is to help them read more confidently and fluently by reading in a safe, relaxing space. This may also help the older children with their communication skills and patience.

Some year twos absolutely love reading with the year 6s which is great because it will get them to read more.

DIARY DATES

Spring term dates listed here, new additions will be highlighted

Date	Day	Event	Location	Who?
27th Feb	Fri	Y4 Parents event @ 2.45pm	CL	Y4
3rd March	Tues	Y6 visit to Holocaust Museum	Newark	Y6
4th - 6th March	Weds-Fri	Y4 Residential to Castleton	Castleton YHA	Y4
5th March	Thurs	World Book Day	ML & CL	All
5th March	Thurs	Y6 parents SATs meeting @ 5.30pm	CL	Y6
9th March	Mon	Y1 visit to Nottingham Castle	Nottm Castle	Y1
10th March	Tues	F2 visit to Bluebells farm	Bluebells farm	F2
11th March	Weds	Disco 5pm - 6pm	CL	Y2-Y6
13th March	Fri	Multiplication Check Mtg 3.30pm	CL	Y4
20th March	Fri	Red Nose Day	ML & CL	All
23rd-25th March	Mon-Weds	Y5 Residential to York	York YHA	Y5
23rd March	Mon	Class 1WV Assembly @ 9.00am	ML	1WV
23rd March	Mon	Y2 Residential Meeting @ 3.40pm	CL	Y2
24th March	Tues	Class 1EH Assembly @ 9.00am	ML	1EH
25th March	Weds	Class 1AW Assembly @ 9.00am	ML	1AW
25th March	Weds	Disco	ML	F2-Y1
26th March	Thurs	F2 Parents Event @ 8.40am	ML	F2
26th March	Thurs	Y3 Parents Event @ 2.45pm	CL	Y3
27th March	Fri	Last day of term	ML & CL	All
30th Mar - 10 Apr		Easter Holidays	ML & CL	All

