19th January 2024





Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

KS2 Theatre Trip - 24th January

Year 4 Edgmond Hall Residential – 28th February to 1st March

Class News

Penguins and Puffins

What a great week! We have had a visit from the fire service this week and learned all about how they help to keep us safe.

In Literacy we have been answering questions about Juniper Jupiter and have sequenced key events from the story.

In Maths we have been subitising dice patterns and counting up to 10. We have been learning about woodland creatures and exploring their habitats and have created woodland collages in the style of Megan Coyle. Keep up the great work everybody!

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

Well done year one for working so hard this week!

On Monday we looked at the artist Samantha Stephenson who uses metal to create sculptures. We then used coloured paper to make our own 3D sculptures. It was tricky at first but the children produced some fantastic art work which is now up on display in the classrooms.

In literacy we have written a character description about Hermelin. We described what he looked like and how he is feeling at different parts in the story. The children also used role play to act out different scenes in the example text.

We are so impressed with the children's knowledge of numbers to 20. In maths we have been subitising and identifying how many without counting. The children know that there is 10 on the ten frame and then they have been counting on.

In history we have been talking about memories and looking at all the lovely pictures that you have kindly sent in. The children put their pictures on a timeline and then we made a memory box and drew our favourite memories to put in it.

Computing was fun this week! The children had to follow a simple algorithm and paint a picture of a parrot. We then compared pictures and spoke about why everyones picture looked the same.

We have sent home with the children a grid with some fun homework tasks to be completed over this half term. Have a lovely weekend year one!

Owls and Robins

This week the children have continued to explore the text The Bog Baby. They have written a contrasting description about the bog baby and how his appearance changes throughout the story.

In maths, we have been working with money! Counting coins and notes, and adding up different amounts. Please crack open your piggy banks at the weekend and encourage your children to work out amounts of change.

In art, the children have been looking at different textures and collecting ideas to use in their next artwork. We have started looking at the Owl who was Afraid of the Dark, making predictions about the story and looking for clues in the illustrations. In history, the children have been doing some role playing of different scenes in flight!

Its been a busy week, have a lovely weekend Year 2.

Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

In Waterbirds this week, we have tested materials to see how reflective they are and discovered that some colours and surfaces absorb light in science. Across Waterbirds, the teachers have enjoyed the children's responses to coding and using algorithms to program using:

www.codeforlife.education/rapidrouter/1 - feel free to try at home.

We have begun to become more familiar with the tools of a myth story writer and have been practising writing impressive setting descriptions using noun phrases. pronouns and conjunctions. We are continuing to work on multiplication and division in Maths and enthusiastically partitioning two-digit numbers and using factor pairs and products to understand the relationship between multiplication and division. On top of all of this, we have been learning about the lives of ancient Egyptians including some of their incredible gods.

Overall, we have had a super week albeit feeling a little chilly! - Great stuff Waterbirds!

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week, the children, and teachers, thoroughly enjoyed their computing lesson. We learnt how to program micro:bits. We were able to code messages and images onto the micro:bit. They were excited to send messages and then include music as well. A great start to the week!

¹https://www.codeforlife.education/rapidrouter/

During maths, Year 6 have completed their unit on ration and proportion. This week we focused more on scale factors. Year 5 have been continuing with multiplication and refining their written methods for trickier questions.

In literacy, the children have looked at how the writer creates their writing. They have also used drama to delve into the atmosphere of a text. We are having a big focus on openers and being adventurous.

During science, the children thoroughly enjoyed looking at what offspring inherit from their parents. They enjoyed identifying biscuit babies and creating a butterfly baby. In history, the children discussed Anne Boleyn. Year 6 had a productive reading SATS booster whilst year 5 enjoyed a cold rugby session.

Year 6 had a two very cold bikeability days this week. They were sensible and learn some key skills when riding their bikes on the road. Well done!

Another week of January completed. Have a lovely weekend.

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Penguins	Hattie	For her super writing this week!
Penguins	Freddie	For super work on creating his collage!
Puffins	Rita	For super listening.
Puffins	Tommy	For super sitting for an activity.
Goldfinches	Sonny	For being a great partner during our 3D ar lesson.
Goldfinches	Dylan	For amazing independent writing this week.
Woodpeckers	Mia	For writing a superb character description of Hermelin.
Woodpeckers	Sienna	For being a wonderful role model and always following the Wheelock behaviours.
Owls	Oscar	For his positive attitude towards his writing this week.
Owls	Jacob	For his effort and improvement in his handwriting and presentation.
Robins	Noah	For showing determination this week.
Robins	Maisie	For effort with her writing.

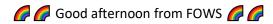
Swans	Louie	For showing a great improvement in his resilience and responsibility.
Swans	Theo	For taking responsibility for listening and learning and spending more time in class.
Sandpipers	Quinn	For her huge improvements with times tables in her most recent Soundcheck – fantastic!
Sandpipers	Orla	For her enthusiasm for writing linked to our new focus text. She has used great descriptive language!
Kingfishers	Archie	For showing determination and resilience which resulted in you being a ROCK STAR!
Kingfishers	Lily	For showing maturity, determination and for being a WONDERFUL Kingfisher!
Kestrels	Cameron	For super engagement and independence in all subject areas. Well done!
Kestrels	Isla-Mai	For a great summary of a yellow-spotted lizard in WCR. Well done!
Hawks	Wendy	For working incredibly hard this week to secure her knowledge of long multiplication. Well done!
Hawks	Connor	For consistently aspiring to be the best he can be. Always striving to achieve higher in his work – well done!
Eagles	Imogen	For excellent ideas for descriptive writing.
Eagles	Kayleigh	For fantastic ideas to describe settings in Literacy.
The Hive	Ava	For always being polite and using lovely manners in the Hive.
The Hive	Sophia	For always being polite and using lovely manners in the Hive.

The Hive

This week the children have enjoyed playing with the items from the dressing up box. It has been lovely to see the children from all ages play together.

Connect 4 and Chess also still remain very popular favourite with all children.

FOWS NEWSLETTER



We are pleased to share that our next meeting will be on Thursday the 1st of February at 7.30pm in Barchetta. You are welcome to come and join us!

We will be planning Chocolate Bingo and a Disco for the coming months.



Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

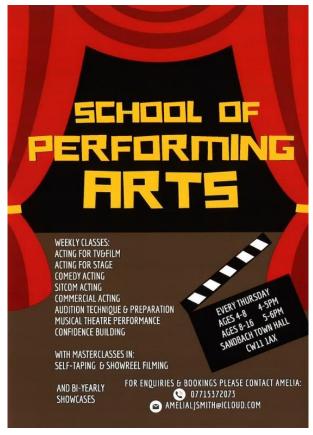
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Community News





HALF TERM SOCCER SCHOOL AT **OFFLEY PRIMARY ACADEMY**

Ministry 4 Sport are delighted to announce that we will be providing three days of football fun at Offley Primary Academy during February Half Term!

Offley Primary

Academy

Designed for boys and girts, our provision will include a wide range of footballing activities which will include a Football Masterciass, Goalkeeping Masterciass and a Football Tournament Oay! The club will be lied by experienced Football coaches who will design and plan each fun filled day to make sure the children have the best time possible.

Tuesday - Football Masterclass Wednesday - Goalkeeping Masterclass Thursday - Football Tournament Day

Tuesday 20th - Thursday 22nd February 2024









BOOK NOW! 01782 703065 ministry4sport.org.uk

£25.00 per day or £65.00 for three days 8.45am - 3.15pm Offley Road, Sandbach, CW11 1GY



OLIVER! THE MUSICAL TWO DAY WORKSHOP

Tuesday 20th February & Wednesday 21st February 2024

9.30am - 2.30pm



Cranage Village Hall, Cheshire

£65 per child

Suitable for ages 6-12 nt available for siblings







Following our successful workshops in August 2023, join us for two days of **SINGING**, **DANCING** and **ACTING** based on Oliver! the Musical. Have **FUN**, make FRIENDS and be taught by West End actors Jessica Joslin and Joseph Anthony

For bookings & further info email cheshirewestendworkshops@outlook.com or head to www.facebook.com/cheshirewestendworkshops