



Following in the footsteps of Jesus, we learn, love and laugh together

Friday 11th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It was a delight to welcome parents to our celebration assembly this morning. We look forward to this continuing throughout the year. Thank you to all the parents who attended parents' evenings this week. We hope that you found the meetings informative. As always, if you would like to discuss any issues separately, please do not hesitate to contact school and an appointment can be made.

Today, Armistice Day, and over the weekend, our Junior Leadership team will be representing our school by laying wreaths in Remembrance. I had the privilege of joining our Deputy Head Boy and Girl today, as always, I was very proud of them. We commented on how special it was to see so many groups within the community being represented.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Best Wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Lower than 90% Attendance	90-95% Attendance Class 1 Class 6	96-100% Attendance Reception Class 2 Class 3 Class 4 Class 5
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Overall Attendance this week **96.2%**
Across the school, **57 minutes** of learning time was lost this week through late arrivals.

Don't underestimate the importance of 100% attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

- 98% attendance means **4** school days missed
- 95% attendance means **10** school days missed
- 90% attendance means **19** school days missed
- 80% attendance means **38** school days missed
- 5 minutes late each day means **3** school days missed

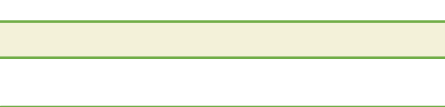
Please be aware that requests for children to take holidays during term time will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

Reception

It has been another busy week in our class! On Wednesday, we had a very exciting mission. The animals were frozen in the ice, and we had to find out the best way to rescue them. We tested sand, water and salt and enjoyed watching how the ice melted.

It has been a special week this week as we have been leading up to remembrance day today. The class have enjoyed making poppies using a range of different art materials.

Alongside our planned learning, we have enjoyed our own learning time where we have been taking on the role of bakers, builders and waiters in the provision.



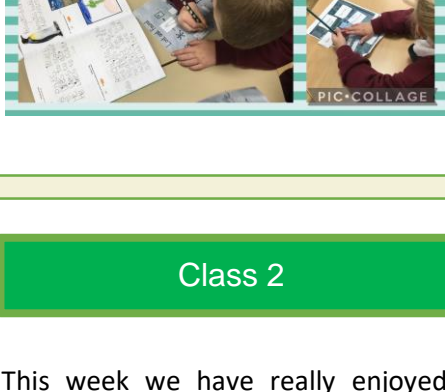
Class 1

Class 1 have been working so hard this week! In English, we are coming to the end of our unit of work and have started writing our own stories for our hot tasks. We are all working hard to make sure we include capital letters, full stops and fingers spaces in our writing.

On Tuesday, we participated in a poetry workshop with Paul Delaney, who is an author and poet. We worked on poems about rainbows and enjoyed performing them for our class.

At the beginning of our science lesson this week, we received a special letter from the penguin via 'South Pole Post'. It explained that penguin had a hole in his umbrella, and we had to investigate the best material to fix it. We really enjoyed our science investigation and wrote back to the penguin to explain our findings.

We also really enjoyed our geography lesson where we were using maps and matching the locations around our school grounds.



Class 2

This week we have really enjoyed working with a professional Poet, Paul Delaney. He has had many poetry books published and he recited and explained some of these to us. It was great to show him the artwork we created and the display we did based on one of his diversity poems. Working with our class, Paul shared one of his new poems 'Once I saw...' and we had a go at creating our own. All of the children thoroughly enjoyed this experience, especially getting to write their own poetry with the help of a 'real' poet. Fortunately, some of the class even got to perform their creations to the class. We are so proud of the ideas. Poet Paul even said that he may need to use some of the children's ideas when he next writes his new material.



Class 3

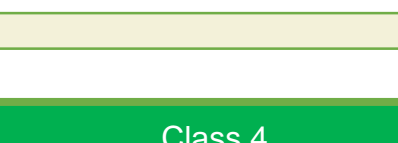
It has been a fantastic week in Class 3.

In Maths we have been working on adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers using the column method.

In English we have been developing our descriptions of our winter scenes and in Science we have been learning all about the geology of Earth.

In History we have been exploring timelines and key events from both BC and AD.

We have enjoyed a special visit this week from author and poet Paul Delaney and really enjoyed our multi skills event on Thursday. All our hard work has even been rewarded with an extra day on the adventure playground! Great work Class 3.



Class 4

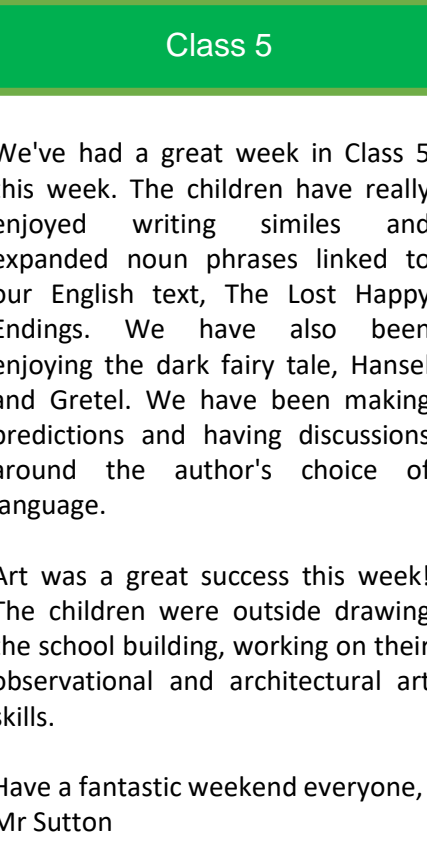
We have had a fantastic week in Class 4. We began our new unit in science and have enjoyed learning about how sound is made and how we hear sounds. There are definitely lots of budding scientists in this class!

In English, we worked on expanded noun phrase and using subordinating conjunctions in our sentences. Lots of amazing vocabulary has been used and the children have all produced some amazing writing.

We finished our rounding lessons in maths and are moving on to addition and subtraction, much to the delight of everyone! And our reasoning skills are improving by the day.

We began our new history unit and this week we learnt about the changes in childhood throughout the ages - hopefully reminding the children of how fortunate they are today!

All in all, a thoroughly enjoyable week in Class 4 and we look forward to the challenges next week brings. Class 4 would like to wish everyone a happy and safe weekend.

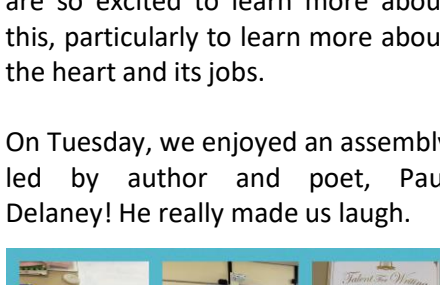


Class 5

We've had a great week in Class 5 this week. The children have really enjoyed writing similes and expanded noun phrases linked to our English text, The Lost Happy Endings. We have also been enjoying the dark fairy tale, Hansel and Gretel. We have been making predictions and having discussions around the author's choice of language.

Art was a great success this week! The children were outside drawing the school building, working on their observational and architectural art skills.

Have a fantastic weekend everyone, Mr Sutton



Class 6

Another fantastic and fun filled week in Class 6! We have been so busy this week... we have been looking at how using manipulatives can help our Maths and doing lots of arithmetic practice!

We also started our new Science topic - The Circulatory System. We are so excited to learn more about this, particularly to learn more about the heart and its jobs.

On Tuesday, we enjoyed an assembly led by author and poet, Paul Delaney! He really made us laugh.



Remembrance Day

We represented our school today, placing a poppy wreath by the monument – Hana and Jacob



Award winners

Well done to everyone that won awards this week, we are very proud...

Head Teacher Awards



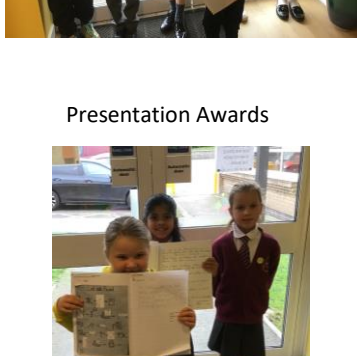
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Pride Awards



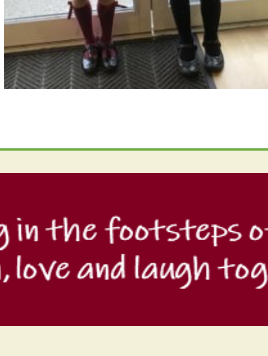
Subject Awards



Presentation Awards



Poetry competition winners



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