

Spring 2 (Newsletter 4)

Monday 21st March 2022

Last week

Last week was such a busy week. We had our Science Fair and Parent Workshops taking place. It was really good to see families coming back into the school building!



Thank you to the parents who attended our online safety workshop. We hope you found it useful!

Children's Stress and Anxiety Workshop



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British Science Week 2022 was a HUGE success!

We have all learnt a lot about GROWTH and sustainability this whole week.

It was such a fun afternoon for us all!

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK 2023...HERE WE COME!

Downsell is ready for Voice in a Million!

Many thanks to our year 6 artists for sketching out a banner display for the concert and a massive shout out to Ms Tania and Ms Khalada for bringing the year 6s ideas to life!

We are at full capacity for voice in a million and confirmed children will receive a letter outlining the schedule for the day!





This Week



For the next two weeks, Downsell are participating in the 'Big Walk and Wheel' campaign! The children are challenged with walking, scooting or cycling to school each day to help us win fabulous prizes for our school!

> YEAR 3 DANCE PERFORMANCE 24.03.2022 2.45PM HALL

Parent Workshops:

Maths Fluency

Tuesday 22nd March 9 – 10am 3 – 4pm

Reading

Wednesday 23rd March 9 – 10am 3 – 4pm

Phonics / Family Workshop Thursday 24th March 4 – 4.40pm

Science Week 2022: Growth

This week we are celebrating the learning that took place across the school for Science Week!



In year 2, we looked at the importance of recycling and how we can prevent or minimise harm to the environment. We learnt that recycling means taking a material like the plastic in a plastic bottle or the metal in a drink can and putting it through a process so the material can be used again instead of being wasted. We brought in different recyclable materials such as cartons, boxes, lids, toilet rolls and plastic bottles etc and made different items out of them such as a plastic bottle piggy bank, binoculars made out of toilet rolls and a school bus made out of a milk carton box!



During Science week, Year 5 considered the problem of growing crops in areas affected by floods. We decided to create floating farms so that crops would not get damaged during natural disasters or rainy seasons. The pupils investigated materials best suited to floating on water and discussed scientific ideas such as density of objects, surface area and buoyancy to arrive at their designs.











This week in Nursery, we have been learning all things science! We all planted our own cress seeds and have been investigating and looking at minibeasts outdoors using magnifying glasses to take a really close look!





Year 4

Can we keep our school garden looking green? During our Science week, we learnt different irrigation systems and by having a system in place, our school garden looks more green and healthy.



Our achievements this week

Attendance

Our school target for all of our pupils is 96%.

As a school, we achieved 95.9% attendance last week (Reception – Year 6). Let's keep working towards our target!

Well done to the following classes for achieving our school target (96%) or above last week: 14.03.22 – 18.03.22

A really big well done to Year 3 Silver for achieving 100% last week!

Class

Year 4 Platinum

Year 6 Krypton



98.9%

99.2%

Attendance

Attendance
99.3%
99.3%
100%

Pupil awards					
Class	Child's Name				
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS	READER OF THE WEEK	
Neon					
Lead					
Iron	Labib	Floriana			
Titanium	Andrei	Mahnoor, Alina	Jaysson	Nimshi	
Zinc	Rayyan	Elizabeth			
Carbon	Javicia	Brayan, Anaya	Ibrahim	Brayan	
Silver					
Helium	Rutpi and Amelia	Starran and Artiola	Sereya	Luna	
Silicon	Elizabeth	Ayman	Kaniskha	Luis	
Platinum	Mihail	Mahnoor, Viktoria,	Oliwia	Yasmin	
Oxygen	Aman	Teasia, Ibrahim	Ela	Paulo	
Promethium	Miran, Robyn	Abdul	Ауа		
Cobalt		Jan	Tamarind		
Einsteinium	Jessica	Umaiza	Lina	Ehsanullah	
Krypton	Mia	Patrick	Armaan	Janelle	

Information

Safeguarding

It has been brought to our attention that children coming to school alone before 8.30am, have been visiting the shop on the corner of Crownfield Road. This of course is a safeguarding risk for our children. If children are on the school grounds before 8.30am without an adult, they will be taken to breakfast club so that they are supervised by school staff. You will then incur a charge for this at £3 per session.

If you want to avoid this, please ensure that your child arrives at 8.30am and goes straight to their classroom. If they arrive before this they will be booked for breakfast club.

End of Day Collection

A reminder for all parents that if you are sending someone else to collect your child at the ned of the school day, then please ensure that you have called the school office and informed them prior to the collection of your child.

The first major exhibition on the Caribbean textile designer who transformed British design



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Community nursery nurse drop-ins, in school: 20th April 2022 18th May 2022 15th June 2022 13th July 2022

Fun Kids Club!

We have spaces at our after school club!

£6.50 per day until 5pm / £10 per day until 7pm

Fun activities each day including – outside play, craft, physical activities, table-top games and much more!

Snacks provided with fresh fruit.

Ask at the school reception for a registration form.



Breakfast Club

If you are interested in booking your child in for breakfast club please speak to the school office for a registration form.

Time: 7.30 – 9am

Price: £3 per session

We have a range of breakfast items for all – cereals, toast, fruit, yoghurts and porridge.

Children have access to games in the morning – board games, basketball, arts and crafts and Lego.

