

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to our first newsletter of the new year. I would like to thank the children and families with their fundraising efforts last term. We raised over £2298.82 in total. More details are provided on page 3. Well done to our Dodgeball team for our first participation in the Park Federation tournament. I am really proud of our children's resilience and sports skills which resulted in a fifth place overall—this is a huge achievement for us all! We will be having parents workshops in Years 1 and 2 classrooms to share our Phonics teaching so children can be supported at home too. Year 4 classrooms will also be having Times Tables workshops for parents in preparation for the National Times Tables test in the summer. I am looking forward to seeing all the parents and carers at these workshops. I would like to wish all our Chinese children and families a Happy Chinese New Year and Kong Hee Fatt Choy!

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CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK

Important dates :

29th January—Year 1 trip to Natural History Museum
7th February—Anti-bullying week
11th February—Safer Internet Day
11th February—Bubble Tent for Nursery children
13th February—Year 2 Chocolate tasting
17th to 21st February Half term holidays

Class Assemblies :

31st January 2020—Otter class
7th February 2020—Fox class
6th March—Mole class
13th March—Rabbit Class
20th March Squirrel Class

Which class had the best attendance for the week ending 10/01/2020?

Class of the week is : 4ML

1 st	4ML	97.8%
2 nd	Grasshopper	96.3%
3 rd	Otter	95.7%
4 th	Fox	94.7%
5 th	Butterfly	94.3%
6 th	Rabbit	93.6%
7 th	4NP	91.4%
8 th	5KW	91.7%
8 th	3CM	91.7%
9 th	5SM	91.3%
10 th	Ladybird	90.7%
11 th	4AM	90%
12 th	3HA	89.7%
13 th	3AD	88.6%
14 th	Squirrel	88%
15 th	Badger	86.7%
16 th	5SP	86.4%
17 th	Mole	82.7%

Which class had the best attendance for the week ending 17/01/2020?

Class of the week is : Ladybird

1 st	Ladybird	98.7%
2 nd	Otter	98%
3 rd	4ML	96.4%
4 th	4NP	96.2%
5 th	3AD	95.6%
6 th	Grasshopper	95%
7 th	Rabbit	94.3%
8 th	5SP	94%
9 th	5SM	93.7%
10 th	3HA	93.4%
11 th	Badger	92.7%
12 th	Fox	91.7%
13 th	4AM	90.7%
14 th	5KP	90%
15 th	Squirrel	89.3%
16 th	Mole	86.7%
17 th	3CM	85.4%
18 th	Butterfly	84.7%

Nursery : For our topic on Night and Day, the children have been introduced to two books "Peace At Last and Whatever Next". The children have immensely enjoyed the stories, repeating words and phrases from the stories and role playing going to the moon in rockets (Big cardboard boxes) and having a picnic on the moon. They have also been making their own rockets using a range of recyclable materials and decorating them with various collage materials. They have enjoyed singing the song "Zoom , Zoom, Zoom, We're Going to The Moon" and learning to count backwards from 10 – 0.

Year 1 : We have been learning about dinosaurs. We have read information about different dinosaurs and used this to write a fact file. Our next step is to invent our own dinosaurs and write a fact file about them.
We've been learning to tell the time in maths. We've practiced telling the time to the hour and half past. We have identified what the minute and hour hands are and continue to use these terms when explaining time. Our next step is to tell the time to quarter past and quarter to. Please help your child to practice counting in 5s and 10s to support them in telling the time.
Through science we are beginning to understand what the different groups of animals are and why. We have learnt new terms such as carnivore, omnivore and herbivore.

Year 3 : In English we have started reading Greek Myths. The pupils had the chance to explore different myths and deconstruct the features of a myth. We have discussed in detail the myth of 'King Midas and the golden touch'. We have described the main character, analysed the feelings and the emotions of the character throughout the different parts of the story. We have also described the setting of an ancient Greek city and retold the myth. In Maths we have been practising multiplication of 2 and 3 digit numbers by 1digit using the grid method and the long and short methods. We have also applied the new multiplication skills to word problems. In Science we have investigated the different objects that reflect light and in History we have learned about the lifestyle in Ancient Greece.

Year 4 : We have been learning about natural disasters such as tornadoes, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis and earthquakes. Did you know most tornadoes last at least 10 minutes?
In English we have focused on a newspaper article reporting a tornado destroying local houses. One of our favourite sentences were:
Last week local residents were informed of a huge gust of wind kicking in and were amazed with the flabbergasting weather conditions that occurred. - Sofia 4NP
We also went to visit the Pop-Up Book Hut and read some books on the benches in the playground. We loved reading lots of interesting books and having quiet reading time by ourselves.

Reception : In Reception our topic for this half term is Space. We have been learning some fun facts about the different planets in our solar system. We have created rockets using junk modelling and have been doing observational drawings of the planets. In Maths we have been using language related to size.

Year 2: Children are enjoying their new topic 'Chocolate' and are looking forward to learning about the history of chocolate and creating their own chocolate creations! In English we are looking at the story of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and creating letters and newspaper reports on the story. Our maths is also linked to our learning on chocolate and we have been looking at finding fractions of amounts using chocolate bars.
Don't forget Lake Farm Park's Chocolate Factory is opening its gates on Thursday 13th February!

Year 5: It has been an amazing first couple of weeks back, learning and having fun to slowly get back into our normal routine. In English we have been learning how to use features of a diary to help us make diaries of our own, linked to our new Topic—Tudors. We have also started to read our new book 'Treason' by Berlie Doherty. In maths we have been learning how to multiply 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers. We have also been solving multiplication problems. In Science we have been learning all about different forces. We will be making parachutes to test what parachute will drop down the quickest depending on variables testing air resistance. In Topic we have been thinking of questions about the Tudors and Henry VIII and what we already know about the Tudor period. As you already know, it was 'Favourites day' last Thursday. We have been lucky enough to have a circus coming to our school. And lastly, the Lake Farm Park lacrosse team started last Friday and hope to have matches soon. From Ella, Omera and Dillon from 5SP.

SRP : In Maths, our younger students in hedgehog have been busy learning about patterns, ordering and calculating. We used 'Numicon' to make number bonds to 20. In English, we are having a real push on reading and phonics. Most of our KS1 students are now accessing mainstream for phonics lesson. We are so very proud of their achievement. Children also enjoyed our book of the week 'The smartest giant in town' by Julia Donaldson. Our students in KS2 have been working hard and going to their respective classes in the mainstream. Another big focus for KS2 students is on developing their self-help and handwriting skills. Students performed different real life activities and everyday tasks like getting dressed, Hoovering, washing up etc. to promote a sense of independence and accomplishment. In speech and language, we have been working on core vocabulary with visual support of symbols and Makaton sign. KS2 are working at grammatical level and social use of language.

SAFEGUARDING NEWS

Roblox Safety

Please see the link below regarding the online platform/game 'Roblox'. The link will take you to a video designed for parents, helping parents to keep their children safe whilst playing 'Roblox'. <https://lgfl.planetestream.com/View.aspx?id=3466-4t-UYINjBBH&code=zH-fKHROShMAlzXM7kLezzicvolKowewxAokSEV6E6VHWfCgjkafwL&ax=6M-D0boNhGJcMfR>

Funds raised for Charities in the Autumn Term :

Children in Need—£345.30

Christmas Jumper day (Save the children) - £273.50

Jeans for Genes—£375.90

Poppy Appeal—£143.09

Harlington Hospice Run—£1,161.03

The highest amount was raised by the following children

Riley, Meher, Zovavar, Michael and Karamveer

Bug Club

At Lake Farm Park we aim to nurture the deep love for reading and for children to become independent readers. Bug Club is a programme where children can take home a reading book as well as accessing an eBook version via a personalised website. We would like to share the data which shows the classes on the leader board:

1. 5SM—Year 5
2. Grasshopper—Reception
3. Badger, Otter -Year 2
Ladybird—Reception



Can you be on top of this leader board?

MyMaths

Children are to log in regularly to complete the home work set by their Teacher. Certificates will be given out half termly. Our statistics show that the following classes are on the leaderboard :

1st : Otter —Year 2

2nd : 5KP —Year 5

3rd : Mole—Year 1



Times Table Rockstar

Children should access Play studio 10 times or more to be on the leader board. They will be then be awarded the rock status.

Certificates will be given out half termly, Our leading Rock Stars are :

1st : 5KP

2nd : 5SM

3rd : Badger

