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Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter

"Children must be taught how to think, not what to think."

Margaret Mead

Form 1

It has been another marvellous week in Form One. In maths, we have been exploring 10 more and 10 less. In English, we've been using adjectives to describe a character and have worked hard on using capital letters and full stops to punctuate a sentence. We're enjoying our topic, Arctic Adventures, and are learning to name the seven countries that share the area. In DT, we have continued to explore moving pictures by adding a slider to create a moving picture.

Report by Mrs Houseman



Form 3

What an afternoon of adventure! Form 4 had a tribe-tastic time creating their own shelters to withstand the unpredictable English weather. Tribes had to agree on a name, a logo, create a flag and medals before completing a shelter; all within a 40 minute time frame. We also enjoyed evaluating our dens with a lovely cup of hot chocolate after all of our hard work.

Report by Miss Ingleby











KG2

This week KG2 have been reading the story 'The Gingerbread man.' They have enjoyed re-writing the story and creating a Wanted Poster about the missing Gingerbread Man. In maths they have been learning about shape, looking at the properties of 3D shapes and creating their own shape pictures. On Wednesday, they enjoyed a windy themed Forest School, taking part in various games, an obstacle course and looking after some cuddly friends.

Report by Mrs Boulton







Form 3

Form 3 have been working diligently throughout the week to complete all work, maintaining their wonderful attitude and behaviour. We have been using lots of descriptive language in writing, to create an interesting story to engage the reader. The children have been delighted to read them out to each other in class and share their super ideas. In Forest School this week Form 3 had to form a tribe and work together to create a base camp and complete a variety of activities. This showed the great way they work together and communicate as a team. Well done Form 3 a wonderful week as always.

Report by Mrs Christensen

KG1

KG 1 have enjoyed learning all about Chinese New Year. The children have learnt that this year is the Year of the Dragon. They have painted lovely Dragon pictures and thought of adjectives to describe them. The children had some lovely ideas and used words such as scaly, fierce, fiery and speedy. Well done KG1.

The children have used their scissor skills to make Chinese lanterns. They found out that the Chinese alphabet looks different to ours and have written their name in Chinese.

They really enjoyed the delicious school lunch of noodles and prawn crackers this week too. Another busy and happy week in KG1.

Report by Mrs Coffey





Form 5

Form 5 chose to play a dodgeball tournament in their PE lesson this week! The children get really stuck in and have a healthy competition with each other! It is definitely, a well deserved and much appreciated break from the hard work the children are doing in class, in order to prepare for their 11+ examinations! Thank you to Mr Stockley, for being our photographer, this week!

Report by Miss Basger







Form 2

This week in English we have enjoyed reading stories by Judith Kerr, in particular a selection of her Mog The Forgetful Cat stories. The children all produced detailed book reviews on some of those stories. It was interesting to learn about her own life, she was originally from Berlin and escaped from Germany during the war to come to live in England. She wrote her first book The Tiger Who Came To Tea as a bedtime story for her own children and it has gone on to be hugely successful. She was awarded an OBE by the queen for her contributions to children's literature. As a reward for our great writing the children watched the recent film about Mog.

Report by Mrs Jones



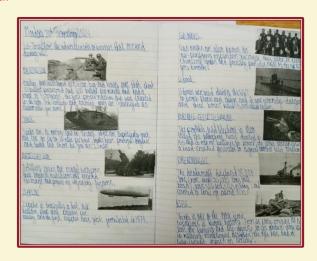
Form 6

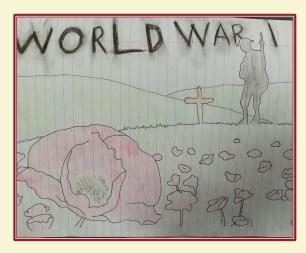
This week, Form 6 have been studying the early stages of World War I. We examined the complex politics that set everything into motion, analysed the military technology that existed at the time and explored the impact of the Great War upon the lives of everyday people. The children have asked terrific questions, linking the events and emotions of then to the world as it

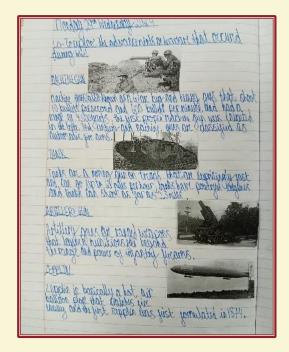


is now. We are all - teacher included - really enjoying this unit of work! Some of the letters from the trenches have been particularly well done. We look forward to updating you again as we learn more.

Report by Mr Sullivan







Sports

Basketball



This week our U10 basketball team competed in a tournament hosted by Bridgewater School. We all had a great time and showcased some amazing skills. We were unlucky to finish as runners up, as our only defeat was by just one goal! Well done to everyone who participated and special congratulations to Edward who was awarded player of the tournament.

Report by Mrs Jones





Pupil Parliament

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We have a very busy schedule planned. Over the coming weeks, we are going to work with the whole school to raise the issue of saving energy. We are going to go out onto the playground to introduce new playground games. We will be preparing for The Great British Spring Clean and to end the term we will be hosting an end of term quiz for the pupils in school. This week, we have voted and agreed to sponsor the planting of a tree with National Trust, this is good for the planet but also helps to fulfil our eco-school commitments. We've also agreed to source litter pickers and subscribe to Eco Kids magazine.

This week we held an open session where all pupils were invited to join our meeting. Our topic this week was Energy Saving. To help raise awareness, pupils worked together to create posters with energy saving tips such as putting a jumper on before turning up the heating or turning off appliances for a period of time and reading a book instead.



Celebration Assembly

Our weekly assembly is our way to celebrate all the success of our pupils. These are the commendations for this week.

KG1 – Star of the week – Naomi & Theodore

KG2 – Esther & Saoirse

Form 1 – Alyssa, April, Rafferty & Zoe

Form 2 – Fahad & Onyinyechi

Form 3 – Sahib & Dalara

Form 4 – Amy-Marie

Form 5 – Rivers & Thomas

Form 6 – Jawaid & Rezana

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