

Branwood Bee



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Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter

*"Science is
organised
knowledge.
Wisdom is
organised life."
Immanuel Kant*

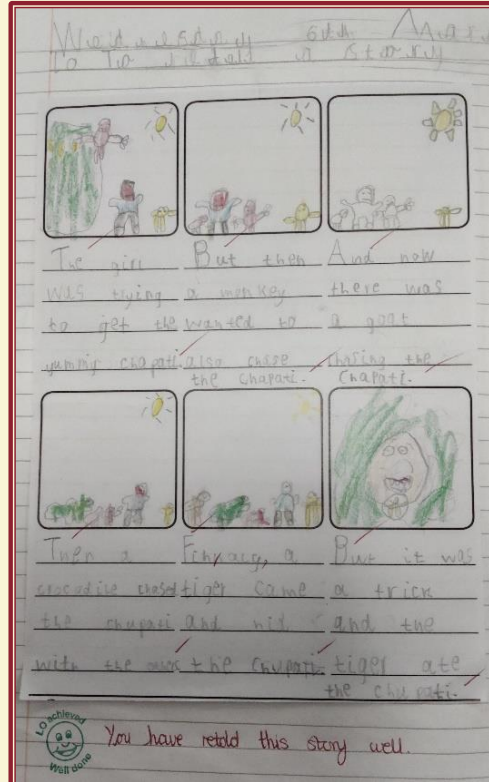
Form 1

We are really enjoying our topic, stories from other cultures. We have read *The Runaway Chapati* which is set in India and *Handa's Surprise* which is set in Kenya. We are looking forward to reading more.

In Geography, we have explored Australia and in particular Aboriginal Art. In Science, we have successfully grown and tasted cress and studied the life cycle of a plant.

As part of our understanding of the world, we have looked at the festival of Ramadan and learnt that Muslims fast to remember the month the Qur'an was first revealed to the Prophet Muhammad.

Report by Mrs Houseman





Form 6

Form 6 were our accomplished physicists this week, as we emulated Sir Isaac Newton's famous experiments with light and prisms. We decided to test his long-held theory that white light is made up of all of the colours of the rainbow. In our mission to do this, we created 'colour wheels'. We spun our wheels as quickly as we could and - to our amazement - all of the colours blended into white! Sir Isaac Newton was much decorated in life, but it was only today that he passed the official Branwood test.

Report by Mr Sullivan



KG2

This week the children have been showing us just how clever they are, ready for the Easter Reports. They have also enjoyed the first of two weeks concentrating on the story 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears.' After reading and understanding the story, they sequenced it and enjoyed hot seating. Children volunteered to be either Goldilocks or one of the Three Bears whilst the remainder of the class asked questions such as: Why did you not like the porridge? How did you feel when the Bears found you in the bed? Well done KG2, what a super week.

Report by Mrs Boulton



KG1

KG1 have had a very busy and settled week in class. The children have been very busy working hard with their end of term assessments. They have been counting to 20, ordering numbers 1-10, writing numerals and working on lots of practical maths activities too.

In Literacy the children have been really impressing me with their work in phonics. They have been segmenting and blending to spell simple cvc words and have been trying to write them too. Everyone is also trying hard with letter formation.

We are all looking forward to Easter, especially all the chocolate we will have. In class we have begun listening to the Christian story of Easter and the children have been hearing all about Palm Sunday.

Well done KG1, you have all been working very hard this week.

Report by Mrs Coffey



Form 2

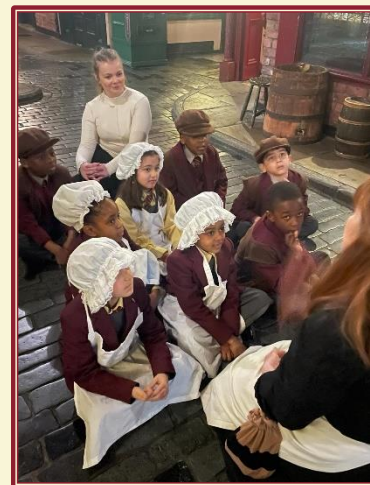
The highlight of our week has been our school trip to The Salford Museum and The Lowry Art Gallery.

We have been learning about life in Victorian times and famous people of that era. At the museum we learnt about a Victorian washday and helped Mr Brown wash his stinky socks. We had fun playing with some old fashioned toys and visiting Larkhill Place, which is a replica of a Victorian street. The children were asked to do some shopping for both a poor and rich family and we looked at the different types of shops and home in which people lived. We all decided we would not have wanted to live then, when times were so hard!

This was followed by a trip to the Lowry and we enjoyed seeing some of Lowry's original artwork. Many of the pieces were familiar to us from our studies in class. We chose our favourite landscape and portrait pictures to draw and returned to school full of enthusiasm to complete our own Lowry masterpieces.

Everyone has received a commendation this week for being such great ambassadors for the school in two very public places. Well done to all.

Report by Mrs Jones





Form 3

Form 3 have had a great week, they have been showing lots of hard work multiplying 2 by 2 digits. We have also been calculating the perimeter of different sized squares and rectangles.

In English we have been reading about the legend King Arthur which the children have thoroughly enjoyed. I look forward to reading their summaries of this next week.

Report by Mrs Christensen

Extra-Curricular

Player of The Week

Oliver was Player of the week at his football group, for playing in net & making some good saves.
Well Done Oliver!



Musician of the Month

Beatrice received the Musician of the Month Award from Anthem Music School.
Great Work Beatrice!

WOW!

Well done Elijah.

He received his first stripe on his white belt in Jujitsu on Saturday.



Pupil Parliament



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We want to ensure that the pupils at Branwood have a voice about their school and are happy. Each term we ask pupils to complete a questionnaire.

Pupils are asked:

- Do you know how well you are doing at school?
- Are pupils nice to each other at school?
- Do you learn a lot in lessons?
- Do adults explain how to improve your work?
- Do you feel safe at school?
- Is behaviour good at school?
- Do adults at school care about you?
- Are adults at school interested in your views?
- Do you enjoy school?
- Is there an adult you would go to if you were worried at school?
- Do you feel you can ask questions?
- Do teachers listen to your ideas?
- Are you treated fairly at school?
- What do you like/dislike about school?

We will share the results in the near future.

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 – Xenofon & Natalyia

KG2 – Ivy & Adanna

Form 1 – Benjamin, Edward & Kyra

Form 2 – The Whole Class

Form 3 – Ajae & Lucy

Form 4 – Harrison

Form 5 – Theo & Ella

Form 6 – Ayush & Lynott



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