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A message from Mrs Tweed

'Reading can take you places you have never been before.' Dr Seuss

The children are loving their reading lessons in class. Every day they read their class text using a range of strategies including readalong, echo reading, performance reading and paired reading. Do ask them to show you these techniques at home when you read with them. These techniques give them the skills for life to be able to access any subject and to find out more about the world.

We are fortunate to have an amazing library that we are ensuring every child/class has the opportunity to visit regularly to access exciting books of their choice.

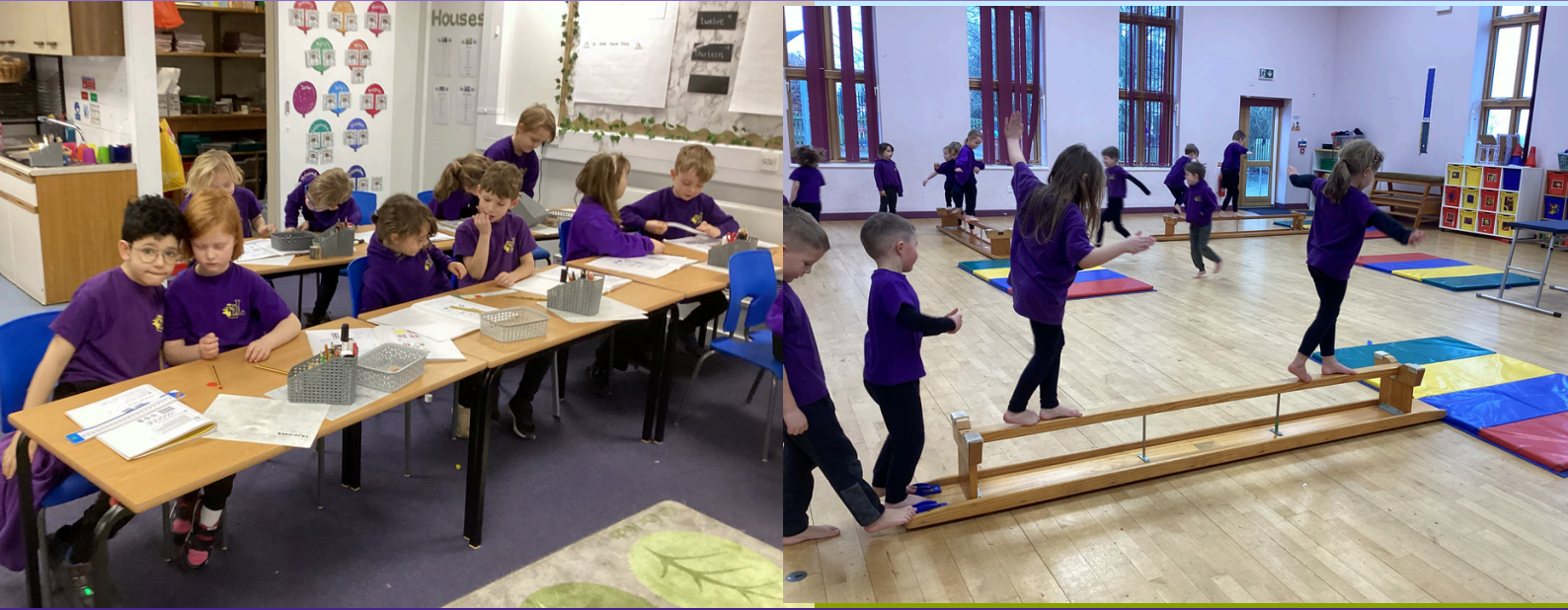
Thank you with all your support with reading at home - it really helps your child's reading journey.

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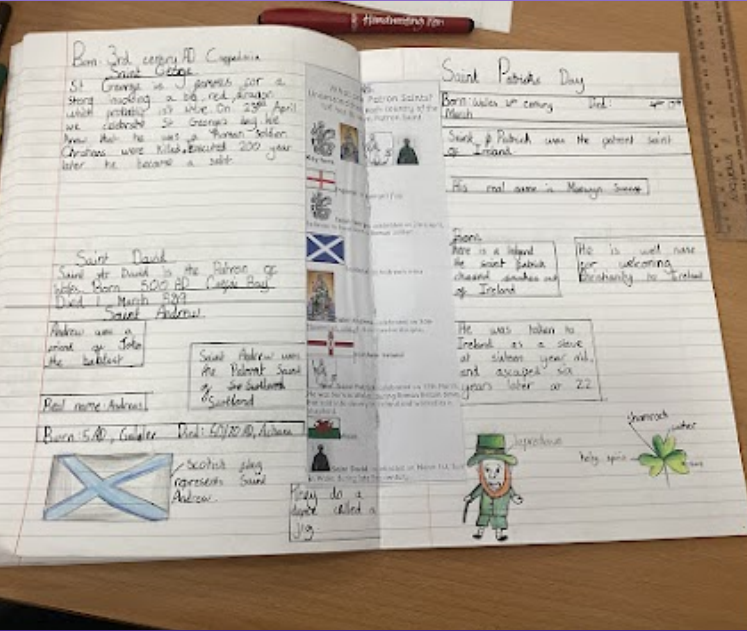


This week our class spotlight is Year One

Year 1 have enjoyed reading 'The Tale of Peter Rabbit'; we have learnt to retrieve a fact from a verse, retrieve words with similar meanings and to sequence events in chronological order. In maths this week our focus was using a number line 0-20. We revisited how to use a number line to count forwards and backwards, we practised labelling a number line, counting from left to right and counting in 1s from a different start and end value. We have learnt to estimate using a number line, taking time to think about the halfway point and how this can help us to reason that a number will be less than or more than halfway. We loved listening to different pieces of music and singing in our music lesson; we are now able to identify high and low pitched sounds. In science we enjoyed searching the classroom for objects made out of different materials such as metal, wood, plastic and fabric. In PE the children loved using the apparatus as part of their gymnastics lesson. In art we learnt about the artist Karen Lederer and used the stippling technique and stencilling to create shapes.



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This week our subject spotlight is PSHE

This week Year 1 began their topic on 'Keeping Safe'. We explored why sleep is important for our health, discovering how it helps us grow, boosts our happiness and supports our learning in school. In Year 2 we have been celebrating what makes each of us unique and thinking about the special people in our lives who help and support us. In Y3 we have been discussing danger and risk and learning different strategies for dealing with these situations. Year 4 focused on staying safe, learning to identify dangers, risks and hazards. This term we will be exploring safety issues for medicine use, online safety and effective strategies for preventing the spread of infectious diseases. Year 5 explored ways to stay safe both in school and the wider community including online. We discussed what to do if a friend asks us to do something unsafe, and how to make responsible choices in these situations. In Year 6. We have been reflecting on the importance of tolerance and respect. Weve explored why these values are essential for our class and in society.



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House Points

This Week's House Points Winner is :

*Palace House - 163
Tattersalls House - 242
Severals House - 156
Hyperion House - 148*



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Attendance



This week's Year Group Attendance

Reception: 91.67% Year 1 - 96.45% Year 2 - 98%

Year 3 - 97.4% Year 4 - 97.3% Year 5 - 97%

Year 6 - 98.57% Whole School Attendance - 96.63%



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Diary Dates

Tuesday 28th January - Year 3 Forest School

Tuesday 4th February - Year 4 Forest School

Tuesday 11th February - Year 6 Forest School

February Half Term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February

Tuesday 25th February - Year 5 Forest School

Tuesday 4th March - Year 1 Forest School

Tuesday 11th March - Vision Screening for Reception

Tuesday 11th March - Year 2 Forest School

Week Beginning 17th March - Year 5 Bikeability

Tuesday 18th March - Year 3 Forest School

Tuesday 25th March - Year 4 Forest School

Tuesday 1st April - Whole School Forest School

Friday 4th April - Last day of Term