

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

I am delighted to report that our School Council elections have taken place and, during last Friday's celebration assembly, we were pleased to announce the names of the children who have been elected by their peers to represent their views. The first meeting will take place within days and we are particularly keen to speak to the Council about how we can further recognise and reward excellent attendance in school. We know that regular attendance is crucial to children's academic success, personal development and overall well-being. It also helps to establish positive routines and develop a sense of responsibility and discipline, all of which are essential life skills. We look forward to working with our School Council to ensure that the children's voices help to shape our approach. In terms of developing life skills, we recognise the importance of equipping our children with the wider skills and knowledge they need to stay safe and become increasingly independent as they grow older. With this in mind, it was particularly heart-warming to see our Nursery and Reception children setting off on their Welly Walk yesterday, supported by their accompanying adults. The children explored the local area around school and visited the nearby park, developing their understanding of road safety and how to keep themselves safe when out and about. Experiences such as these provide valuable opportunities for children to learn beyond the classroom, build confidence and develop their understanding of the world around them.

As always, thank you for your continued support in helping us provide our children with the very best opportunities to learn, grow and flourish.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for this week (Thurs-Thurs) is summarised below. Well done to Year 5 for having the highest attendance this week!

Nursery	96.51%
Reception	96.26%
Year 1	98.28%
Year 2	97.62%
Year 3	94.94%
Year 4	94.94%
Year 5	98.40%
Year 6	93.49%

Whole School Attendance:
Cumulative attendance, since
September, is shown below:

Nursery	96.02%
Reception	96.39%
Year 1	96.15%
Year 2	96.52%
Year 3	96.09%
Year 4	94.78%
Year 5	99.33%
Year 6	93.84%

Cumulative whole school
attendance:
96.1%

Attendance	Description
98-100%	Excellent
95-97.9%	Good
92-94.9%	Caution (Below national)
90-91.9%	Cause for concern
89.9 or below	Presistent Absence Serious Concern

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

Please contact Miss Lock, Mrs Smith or Mr Pinkham if you have any safeguarding concerns.

THIS WEEK IN

NURSERY

This week, the children listened to the 'Shark in the Park' stories. They had lots of fun joining in with repeated words and guessing the missing rhyming words. They made their own shark hats, played a game of eye spy and played a counting game.



RECEPTION

Reception have continued the theme of Autumn this week and used our natural materials to create repeated patterns.

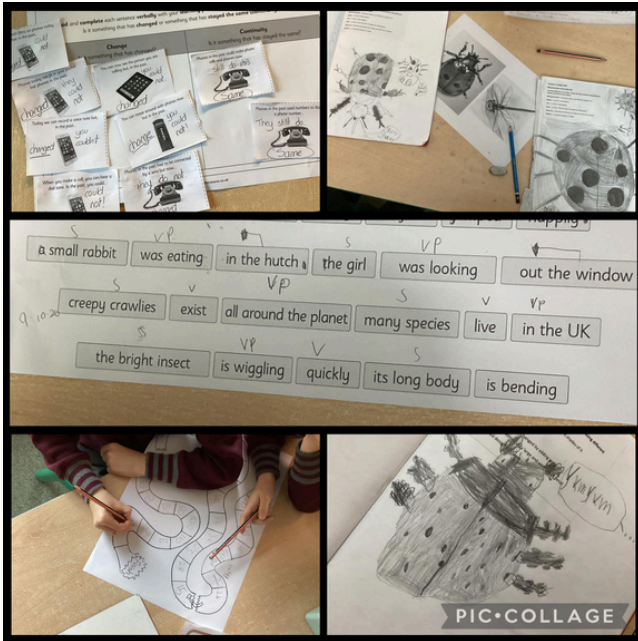


YEAR 1

This week in Art, Year 1 have created some beautiful mixed-media artwork inspired by Christa Rijneveld's work. They have been practising controlling a pencil with increased precision and using scissors accurately.



YEAR 2



This week Year 2 have been reading a text called **The Bug Collector**.

On Monday, in the sunshine, we conducted our own bug hunt where we discussed micro habitats.

We've also looked at technology from the past, sketched our own mini east focussing on tone & continued to work on sentence structures.

YEAR 3

Y3 have been working on Tag Rugby and have been working in small groups practicing accurate passing and moving within the space they have. They also had some opportunities to play against Mrs Butcher to see if they could keep possession of the ball with their accurate passes. They had to make 5 passes to score a point and they did a fantastic job.



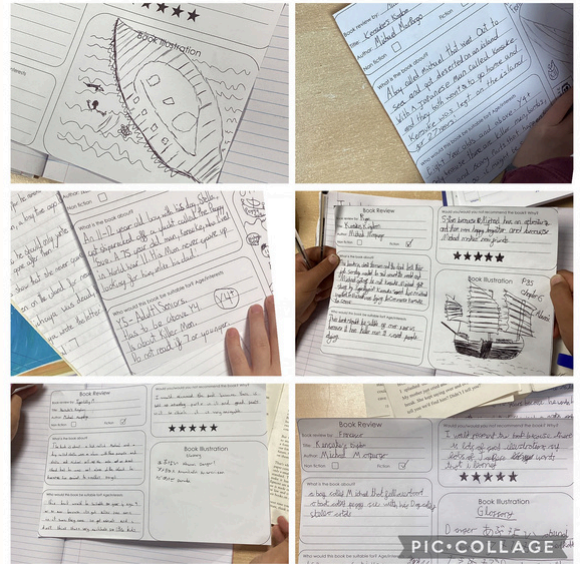
YEAR 4

Here are some of our Year 4 pupils with their swimming certificates. We are already looking forward to our next block of lessons after Christmas! Well done Year 4.



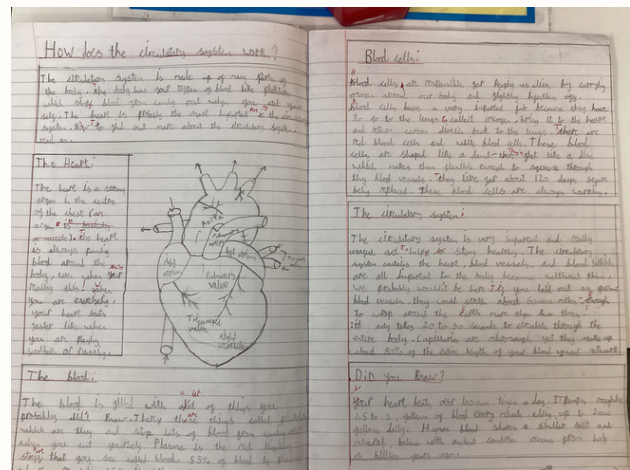
YEAR 5

Year 5 have just finished reading an adventure story - 'Kensuke's Kingdom' - by Michael Morpurgo. The class discussed their favourite moments from the book and then wrote reviews including illustrations from the story.



YEAR 6

In English, Year 6 have been working hard to write their own non-chronological reports about the circulatory system. We have been really impressed with their use of scientific vocabulary, detailed explanations and fantastic presentation!



SCHOOL CLUBS

Tuesday 8th September - Thursday 22nd October 3:30pm-4:30pm

MONDAY	Choir - Year 1 - Year 6 (Mrs Rosana Turton)
TUESDAY	Arts & Crafts – Reception to Year 3 Karate – Year 2 to Year 6 (Yarm Martial Arts)
WEDNESDAY	Football – Reception to Year 2 (DF Coaching) Diva Dance – Year 1 to Year 6 (Miss Rachael)
THURSDAY	Sports Stars – Year 1 to Year 6 (DF Coaching)
FRIDAY	Dodgeball – Year 1 to Year 3 (DF Coaching) Football – Year 3 to Year 6 (DF Coaching)

   WEEKLY MENU 1  Weeks beginning - 31st August, 21st September, 12th October, 2nd November, 23rd November & 14th December, 2026					
Dish	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional	Toad in the Hole Creamed Potatoes Cauliflower Mixed Vegetables	Chicken Cobbler Creamed Potatoes Broccoli Diced Carrots	Homemade Pizza Roasted Potatoes Sweetcorn	Roast Gammon & Pineapple Baby Boiled Potatoes Garden Peas Baked Tomato	Harry Ramsden Fish Fillet Oven Baked Chips Mushy Peas Baked Beans
Popular	Mini Cheese Slice Potato Wedges Baked Beans	Fish Star Baked Jacket Potato Baked Beans		Jacket Potato Filled with Tuna	
Vegetarian	Quorn Toad in the Hole Creamed Potatoes Cauliflower Mixed Vegetables	Quorn Cobbler Creamed Potatoes Broccoli Diced Carrots	Mediterranean Quorn Bolognese Homemade Garlic Bread Sweetcorn	Jacket Potato Filled with Cheese or Baked Beans	Baked Cheese Roll Oven Baked Chips Mushy Peas Baked Beans
Sandwich Selection	Tuna Mayonnaise Potato Wedges	Roast Ham Baked Jacket Potato	Egg Mayonnaise Roasted Potatoes	Tuna Mayonnaise Baked Jacket Potato	Cheese Oven Baked Chips
Dessert	Apple Crumble & Custard Sauce Crispy Cake Homemade Biscuit & Fresh Fruit	Syrup Sponge & Custard Sauce Iced Bun Homemade Biscuit & Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Sponge & Custard Sauce Raspberry Bun Homemade Biscuit & Fresh Fruit	Lemon Sponge & Custard Sauce Cup Cake Homemade Biscuit & Fresh Fruit	Decorated Iced Sponge & Custard Sauce Ice Cream Homemade Biscuit & Fresh Fruit
Available daily – Salad bar, milk and drinking water    All our menus are compliant with the School Food Standards - we only serve farm assured meat, MCS fish and free range eggs. Low fat milk. If you require advice regarding allergens, please contact the School Catering Supervisor. 					