



Rugby Free

Primary School

Newsletter 20
Friday 26th February
2021



Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to the 2nd half of the Spring term. It definitely is starting to feel like Spring with the lighter mornings and evenings and we have even seen a little sunshine this week (fingers crossed that it stays!)! I hope that you all managed to have some non screen time with your children over half term and switched off from remote learning. It is really important that the children have a break in the holidays and at the weekends.

I was thrilled to hear the announcement that all pupils are back on the 8th March. We are all really looking forward to seeing everyone and teaching face to face! I will be sending out a letter detailing all of the arrangements on Monday but most of them, including times of the day and clubs, are as they were in December.

Just for a reminder - Times of the day are:

Reception – 8.40 – 8.50am drop off and 3.10pm pick up through Reception playground

Year 1 - 8.40am – 3.10pm on the main playground

Year 2 and 3 – 8.50am – 3.20pm on the main playground

Year 4 and 5 – 9.00am – 3.30pm on the main playground

The whole school risk assessment is currently being updated and will be available on the school website from Monday afternoon too. If you have any questions or concerns about your child returning, please do get in touch with us and we can talk you through all of the safety measures.

Please see on the diary dates that a Teacher Training Day on the 7th June has been cancelled in lieu of the additional one we had in December. All children are now expected in on that day.

I hope you all have a great weekend

Miss Butters



Stars of the Week

Reception Giraffes:

Freya & Moshi
Lions:
Hollie & Penny E
Zebras:
Harper & Isabelle

Year One Hedgehogs:

Gabriel & Amelia M
Owls:
Ashton & Skylar
Rabbits:
Harman & Ivy-Lin

Year Two Orcas:

Jaime & Julie T
Penguins:
Olivia & Isla W
Seals:
Meera & Sophie

Year Three Crocodiles:

Rebecca A & Eashan
Kangaroos:
Riley & Rory
Turtles:
Abdul & Toni

Year Four Bears:

Nicole & Hunter
Eagles:
Sophie & Blake
Raccoons:
Olivia S & Jakub



Safer Internet Day

Before half term we celebrated Safer Internet day. Together for a safer internet #an internet we can trust!

We had loads of wonderful creative responses from each year group. Some of them have been compiled and put together into our very own safer internet video. Follow the QR, type the link <https://blog.seesaw.me/rugbyfreeprimary/#!/> or check your child's Seesaw to watch!

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 4th March. At Rugby Free Primary, we usually love celebrating this day together and enjoy dressing up and sharing our favourite characters with each other. **We are disappointed that it is on a day where we are not all in school so we have decided to postpone the celebration of World Book Day** and hold it on a day (to be confirmed) when we are all back in school together. To mark the day, we will still post an activity on SeeSaw for the children to enjoy.

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Year Three

Year 3 have made a great start to the new half term and our topic, 'Gods and Mortals'. In English, the children have been working on extending sentences using conjunctions, storyboarding, creating glossaries and writing definitions all linked to Greek myths. In Maths they have been putting their measuring skills to the test. They have also created fact files, studied parts of plants and sketched a map in their topic and in science. What a brilliant week Year 3, you are all amazing!



Maps by Rebecca A & Imogen G



Year Four

This week in Year 4, we have started the new topic 'Blue Abyss'. Inspired by the ocean, some amazing artwork was produced alongside wonderful facts found out from independent research. In English, we began a new book called 'Oliver and the Seawigs', and from reading only a few pages we have made some fantastic predictions. It has also inspired us to learn about different explorers such as Edmund Hillary and Howard Carter. In Maths, we found fractions of amounts and quantities. All of the Year 4 teachers are incredibly proud of the hard work the children have put into this unit of Maths as it hasn't been easy but they have shown resilience and wonderful Maths knowledge. Lastly, in PHSE, we looked at friendships and what qualities make a good friend. We were very impressed by Olivia in Raccoons' class suggestions of forgiveness, sense of humour, kindness, good listener and honesty. What great ideas!



Turtle by Jack B

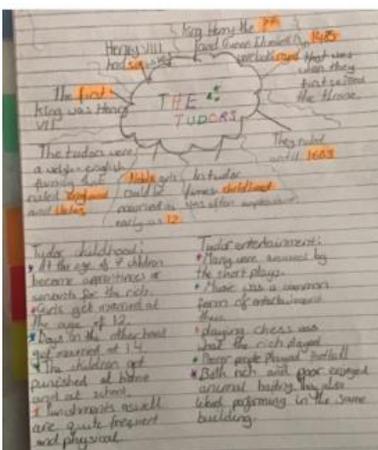


Seahorse by Kimran

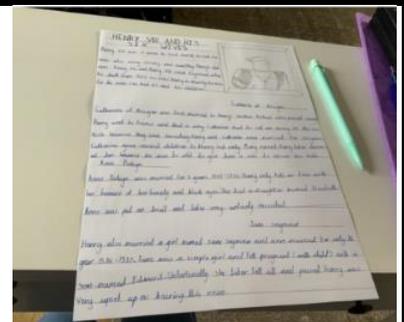
My 5 top seahorse facts!

1. Seahorses can spin their tail so fast it goes 35 spins a second!
2. Male seahorses have babies, not females!
3. Seahorses can change colour!
4. A wild seahorse is often called a monogamous.
5. Seahorses have no teeth!

Year Five



In Year 5 this week, we have launched our new topic 'Off with her Head' which has seen us start to explore the Tudor dynasty. In topic, we researched and ordered the Tudor monarchs and gained an understanding of Henry VIII and his six wives for history. In Geography, we compared the landscape of Tudor London with London today. We were surprised to know that some buildings from the Tudor era are still in London today. In English, we made predictions about our new text 'Treason' and it gave us an opportunity to research and present facts about an area of our choice, linked to the Tudor times. When we started reading the story, the opening chapter was tragic and not as we expected. We are looking forward to reading more of this story to find out what happens next. In Maths, we have continued to learn about fractions and have been adding fractions with different denominators. What a wonderful week of learning!



Work from Isla & Scarlett



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Diary Dates

8th March – All children return to school

30th and 31st March – Online Parents evening (info coming out v shortly)

1st April – Last day of the Spring term

2nd April – Start of the Easter Holidays

19th April – Start of the Summer Term

7th June – No longer a Teacher Training Day (due to us having an additional one at Christmas) and so the children will be in school then.

Monthly Photography Competition

A reminder that this month's competition ends on **Sunday 28th February**. Please email your entry to Mrs Odwell – eleonor.odwell@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk by 5pm with your child's name in the email. We can't wait to see all of the different, creative and inspiring photographs.

February's theme is: LOVE

Want to be part of an award-winning team?

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Boys aged 7-11

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4:45pm, on Zoom
Wed 3 | 17 | 31 March

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choristers.org



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WIN A 'CHOCTASTIC' EASTER HAMPER AND A

£20 BOOK TOKEN!

To enter please draw a picture that shows what 'Lockdown' has represented for you.

Please photograph or scan the drawing and email it, along with the following information, to the email below:

- o Child's name
- o Postal address
- o Contact details*
- o Primary school/nursery name
- o Age of child

Email to: anna.knight@dalrod.co.uk

* We will only use this information when getting your prize arranged. You will not be added to any mailing lists!



Entries must be emailed to Anna by the end of:

Wednesday 26th March 2021

The winners** will be announced on the DALROD Coventry and Warwickshire Facebook page on Wednesday 31st March 2021 at midday.

Please 'like' the page so that you see the post!

**One winner for each of the following age groups: 3 to 5 years, 6 to 8 years, 9 to 11 years



The winners' school or nursery will also receive a FREE GIFT worth £250 courtesy of DALROD Coventry & Warwickshire!

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