



Rugby Free



Primary School



Newsletter 29

Friday 14th May 2021

Reception

Wow, what a week of incredible learning we have had in Reception. The children have been Maths Stars this week, turning number stories into addition number sentences. The teachers were so impressed with the children's amazing addition understanding. In writing this week we have been creating acrostic poems about



different sea creatures, the children have thought of some fantastic sea themed words and sentences. In our topic learning, we have been painting and printing in the style of the artist Bridget Riley and we have learned all about the celebration of Eid! Eid Mubarak, and have a lovely weekend!

Art in Year Two

This has been a very busy week in Year 2. We have been exploring pattern and texture with oil pastels in Art, looking at paintings by Van Gogh and Kandinsky for inspiration. We have also been learning about position and direction in our Maths topic, using directional language such as forwards, backwards, left and right and also using clockwise and anti-clockwise turns. We had a lot of fun designing a maze to navigate and give each other directions.



'I Was a Rat' in Year Four

Year 4 have had an excellent week this week! In English, we have continued reading our text, 'I Was a Rat' which inspired us to write persuasively. At the start of the week, we created an alley of conscience to try and persuade the main character, Roger, to either stay or leave his new home. In Science, we have looked at the functions of the different types of teeth. After investigating different foods - chicken, marshmallow, apples and biscuits - we used scientific language to explain which teeth would be used to break the food down.



We have also started learning about the digestive system. Stomachs, intestines and rectums have featured heavily as Year 4 have got to grips with a range of incredible digestive systems full of miraculous enzymes and valuable mucus. Role-playing a tribunal in our classroom courts was a delight for many, with excellent persuasive arguments brimming with flattery, exaggeration and rhetorical questions. The letters to convince the jury that followed were sensational!



Stars of the Week

Reception

- Giraffes:**
Hattie J
- Lions:**
Penny
- Zebras:**
Noah

Year One

- Hedgehogs:**
Nurun
- Owls:**
Scarlett
- Rabbits:**
Adrian

Year Two

- Orcas:**
Evie B
- Penguins:**
Mia
- Seals:**
Samuel

Year Three

- Crocodiles:**
Kian
- Kangaroos:**
Lena
- Turtles:**
Megan

Year Four

- Bears:**
Harleen
- Eagles:**
Aaron
- Raccoons:**
Clelia

Year Five

- Elephants:**
Amadou
- Pandas:**
Annabelle
- Tigers:**
Alex



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Resilience in Year One

We are super proud of Valeria in Year 1 who recently passed her grading with flying colours at her marital arts school in Rugby, where she also won 'Ninja of the week' for her extra effort. Her commitment and hard work when attending online lessons during lockdown was recognised.

This is an excellent example of resilience. Well done Valeria!



Certificates of Achievement:

Reception:

Freya & Moshi
Arianna & Abel
Kanushi & Arlie

Year One:

Imogen & Sophie
Jacob & Vivaan
Jessie & Ivy-Lin

Year Two:

Sienna & Francesca
Zoe & Harry
Lara & Alfie

Year Three:

Mea & Eashan
Ava M & Zara
Arjan & Charan

Year Four:

Alex & Louie
Sydney & Isobel
Isla & Kian

Year Five

Dhanya & Katy B
Anushay & Nathaniel
Lucian & Scarlett



Our new website is live!

Thank you all for your patience whilst we have created our new website. We know there are a few areas that still need tweaking but if you haven't had a chance to look, then please do so, as the photographs have all been taken in school recently and involve your children. We hope you like it!

Family Support

Message from Mrs Vural, Family and Children Support Worker:

As children grow, it is a natural part of their development to try to push boundaries and challenge rules. Whilst we may understand that this is normal, this knowledge is not always enough to help when facing some of the challenging behaviour children can display. It is easy to feel overwhelmed and to lose confidence in our skills as parents. Next time you are faced with behaviour that you are finding difficult to manage, try to remember the following advice:

- **Don't take it personally** – it is not about you
- **Remember, it is the behaviour that is challenging** – not the child
- **De-escalate first** – problem solve later
- Sometimes we might not see it – but **there is always a reason**
- **Have empathy** – try to imagine what the child is feeling
- **Remember that behaviour is a way of communicating** - children may not yet have developed the skills to express themselves in any other way.

If you have any issues or concerns you would like further support with, please get in touch either via the main school office or email me directly at clair.vural@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk.

Monthly Photography Competition

Our May competition ends on **27th May 2021**. Please email your entry to Mrs Odwell – eleanor.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.

May's theme is: **Animals**

Diary Dates

31st May – 4th June – HALF TERM

7th June – No longer a Teacher Training Day

11th June – School photos – Individual and school siblings only

16th July – School finishes for pupils for the Summer Holiday

19th – 21st July – Teacher Training Days – moving around classrooms, ready for Year 6!

26th July – 13th August – Game On Holiday Club at RFPS 4 – 11 years only



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HARRIS C of E ACADEMY SSP Presents:

Bikeability – May Half Term Holiday Courses 2021

LEVEL 1 TRAINING FOR PUPILS IN SCHOOL YEARS 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6:

This training teaches basic cycle control skills in a safe environment away from traffic and will be run at Harris C of E Academy's Sport Centre in Rugby. Children must be able to cycle independently (no stabilisers) before coming on the course. Training takes place outside and children should be dressed appropriately in warm, weather proof clothing with gloves recommended.

Course 1: Tuesday 1st June 2021 from 1:00pm to 3:15pm **THIS COURSE IS NOW FULL**
Course 2: Wednesday 2nd June 2021 from 9:30am to 11:45am
Cost: £14 per person payable in advance.

LEVEL 2 TRAINING FOR PUPILS IN SCHOOL YEARS 5, 6 & 7:

This training prepares students for cycling on the public highway for short journeys such as from home to school and will be run from Harris C of E Academy's Sports Centre in Rugby. It is **strongly recommended** that children complete the Level 1 course before attempting Level 2. Training takes place outside and children should be dressed appropriately in warm, weather proof clothing with gloves recommended.

Course Dates (over 2 days, Both days must be attended):
Wednesday 2nd June 2021 & Thursday 3rd June 2021 from 1:15pm to 4:30pm
Cost: £22 per person payable in advance.

Early booking is essential as places are strictly limited and will be filled on a first come first served basis.

** Closing deadline for bookings is Friday 21st May 2021. None will be accepted after this date. **

Courses will only run if minimum numbers are reached. Children will need to have their own bicycle and helmet.

Please note that refunds are not available unless the course is cancelled by Harris Sports Centre.

Due to Covid restrictions, wrap around care in the Sports Centre holiday club is not currently available.

For more information, or to book a place, please call Debbie on 01788 812549 extension 304 or email,

ssp@harriscofeacademy.co.uk



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Children aged 3-14! 8:15am-6pm

Rugby School
1st - 4th June

£45 per day COVID secure

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www.active-camps.com

Harris CofE Academy Sports Centre
Multi Sport Holiday Clubs

Summer Holidays | Autumn Half Term | Christmas Holidays | Spring Half Term | Easter Holidays | Summer/Half Term

Holiday Club 9am - 4pm
every weekday (excluding bank holidays)
Early drop off from 8am
Late pickup until 6pm
Discount available for early & late together
Open to ages 5 - 12 years

Please also ask about our Bikeability courses, also running in every school holiday;
Cycling Proficiency for the modern age!

To book your place or for more info:
Email: sports centre@harriscofeacademy.co.uk
Phone: 01788 818925
or call in to Harris Sports Centre, Mellish Road, Rugby. CV22 6BB

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