

Friday 11th September 2020

Prize Winners this week

Class 1: Floyd for being great at listening

Class 2: Leyton for fabulous independent maths

Class 3: Grace for constant hard work and positive attitude to learning



Class 4: Kadie for excellent effort in all lessons and growing confidence in maths.

Class 1: This week we have continued with our learning skills and have focused on teaching the children how to be safe in the classroom. We now know how to carry scissors safely, get a piece of sellotape and use the sanitiser carefully. Obviously little people have lots to say and everything is important, therefore we teach them to listen too. On Wednesday afternoon they had great fun exploring musical instruments whilst using their listening skills. The topic this half term is “All about me and significant people”. We have introduced the children to our positive reward system and they know they can win in house points. They also know that one of them will get prize winner and they will choose a prize. Naturally they are very excited about this. A little reminder – the doors and windows are open so it does get chilly – please dress your child in warm clothing.

Class 2: This week class 2 have been practising fast recall of the partners that make 10, and how we can find the missing number wherever it appears in a calculation. We have been linking this to full tens that make a hundred, so if $9+1=10$ then $90+10=100$. We have been learning about full turns and half turns and learning how to tell the time on the class clock and are really good at reminding me when it is play time and lunchtime! In English we have refreshed the sounds- ee , ea , er, ow, ou, th and soft g (when followed by an e). We have done individual and group reading about “skin” and answered simple questions about the text. We have written and labelled the outside and inside body parts and been learning our address by heart. Please expect an addressed envelope through your letter box soon.

We have looked at maps of where we live and in science have been thinking about the life cycle of humans and other animals.

Class 3: This week in class 3 we have been working super hard. We have practiced our spellings all week and have got amazing results. We have started our new topic, My Body Health, by exploring nutrients we eat and how they help us stay healthy. We have looked at map skills by sketching the layout of school and creating keys to make efficient and detailed maps. Class 3 have also recalled Tanzanian drum songs. They practiced their compositions as a group and listened well to one other.

Class 4: It has been such a busy week in Class 4 that we can't believe that it is Friday already. We had two amazing science lessons and learned all about the human circulatory system, whilst recapping on our digestive system and looking at our nervous systems, skeletons, muscles and skin amongst other topics.

Everyone in Class 4 has worked really hard this week and we are very pleased with the children's enthusiasm for learning in every lesson.

Please can you make sure that your child is reading to you each night and completing at least two lists of spellings on Spelling Shed and at least 3 maths games on Sumdog for their homework as this helps them to earn their Golden Time on Friday.

[ORDERING LUNCHES ONLINE](#)

From week beginning Monday 14th September the menu will increase slightly, with a packed lunch with choice of sandwich, or baked potato with choice of tuna or cheese for a topping, with fresh fruit for pudding. There is no frozen yoghurt available so if you have ordered that a piece of fruit will be supplied.

[Outdoor science](#)

School uniform as normal please for outdoor science. This will no longer be a non-uniform day for key stage 1.

What do I do if my child is unwell? Is it just a cold, or just asthma, OR CORONA VIRUS?

One of the best ways that we can keep our community safe is to know the minute that COVID comes in to our village or school. Tests are free and they will alert us to this terrible viral enemy. The more we test, the quicker we can identify infection and stop the spread! If your child has even just 1 of the corona symptoms,

- High temperature,
- A new cough
- Or change in their sense of smell

...then they could have corona virus. Yes it could be asthma, it could just be a cold, or it could be corona virus, but I would urge you to get a test, because it is the ONLY way to

know for sure. If it is a positive test for COVID then thank goodness you have found out and you can stay home to stop the spread. If it isn't COVID then your child can quickly and safely return to school and resume their education. I know it may feel like an overreaction to book a test (either at a nearby testing station, or on line). But, as the season of colds and flu approaches we should all be getting tested if we have one or more of the symptoms above. This will help keep everyone safe. Getting tested, even if you are a young child, WILL SAVE LIVES so let's all do it. Well done, gold star and a hundred house points for those parents that have already had their child tested.

If your child has not got just one, or more of the above symptoms but does have a sore tummy, runny nose or sore throat they can come in to school But only if you, as their parent, think they are well enough to be at school. The usual rule applies for vomiting or diarrhoea- leave 48hours after the last vomiting or diarrhoea episode before sending your child back to school.

[Flu vaccinations in October](#)

Helping to minimise cases of flu will also help to ease pressure on the N.H.S as flu season approaches. Last year the children were fantastic getting their nasal flu medicine and once again this year the nursing team will be visiting to give the children this protection. You will receive a plastic wallet with a form (which has been quarantined for 72 hours and wallet sanitised) to complete. Please return this in the brown envelope. Then bring it back to school and please put it in the red box which will be located at each bubble's dropping off point at the end of the school day. It would be great if these could be returned as quickly as possible. After a 72 hour quarantine, these will be collected by the nursing team. They will be coming in to school to do the flu nasal vaccines on 14.10.2020.

[Recent response from health team regarding increased demand for tests](#)

If your child becomes unwell in the school setting with symptoms the school will follow these guidelines and the advice given to parents will be to book your child a covid-19 test by visiting: www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus or call 119. The same will apply if your child becomes unwell at home with possible covid symptoms. We appreciate the difficulties parents are having accessing tests. Please be assured that locally there is a lot of work going on to ensure testing is more readily available. Please be patient if you are unable to access a testing slot first time. The NHS release slots throughout the day so please keep checking the NHS 111 site for test slots on a regular basis. If you are still unable to book a test, in the short term due to demand, we have opened up capacity to carry out covid-19 swabbing via Flatt Walks Red Centre. Please contact your branch surgery to arrange. DO NOT go directly to the Red Centre until an appointment is booked and you are advised by staff.