

# Class Updates - 03.12.2021



Well done Butterflies for another super week.

The children really enjoyed their first trip out of school—walking to St Mary’s church to visit the Advent prayer stations. There were activities for the children to do related to advent, the Nativity story and waiting for baby Jesus to arrive. This was a lovely way to start the advent journey and the children were all so well behaved and respectful in church. Thank you to St Mary’s Youth Worker, Matt Williamson, for organising it for our school.



The children were able to talk about what they had seen and learnt back in school. The children listened to the Nativity story in RE when we used our wooden nativity scene to remind us of the characters in the story.



The children learnt a lot on Friday about good oral hygiene and how to carefully brush and look after their teeth. Using timers worked really well, so do support your child using them at home if needed to encourage longer brushing.

Have a great weekend.

**Mrs Jeewan & EYFS team**



## Year 1 Ladybirds Update

Year 1 have had another busy week and are working very hard! They have been learning split digraphs in Phonics and we have been so impressed with their sentence writing. Lots of children are really challenging themselves. In Maths we are now focussing on place value of numbers 11-20 and in English we have enjoyed creating our own characters for a story. On Monday, Year 1 really enjoyed the prayer stations at the church. The children have also been busy practising their nativity songs—please see email sent on Tuesday about costumes. A great week, well done Year 1!

### The Year One Team

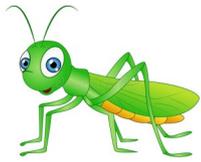


## Year 2 Caterpillars Update



On Monday, we went to St Mary's church to visit their Advent stations. The children thought about what they are grateful for, shared their worries and fears, had time in the quiet area and made Christmas decorations. They were beautifully behaved and made me proud on our first visit out of the classroom. Well done Caterpillars. In writing, we have been learning about expanded noun phrases and revisiting what nouns, adjectives and verbs are. The children then created their own interesting sentences. We are continuing to work hard on handwriting, finger spacing and capital letters and full stops. In Forest School, the children continued planting bushes in the school grounds and as well as playing in the piles of Autumn leaves and listening to the story, Henry's Hazelnut. All week we have been practising our Nativity, running through lines and starting to act out the different parts. The class have learnt the songs really well and are remembering all the actions. In science, we have been monitoring the growth of our seeds in our plant experiment. It has been really interesting seeing which ones are growing and which aren't and discussing why. We learnt all about the different parts of a flower and what each part's job is. **Mr Pike**





## Year 3 Update

The children have worked incredibly hard during our assessment week this week and have really shown their resilience and focus when showing everything that they have learnt.

On Wednesday, we went to the church to take part in Advent prayer stations. The children thought about their own special gifts, things they were thankful for, their worries and also thought about how other people in different parts of the world might need help and support. They behaved brilliantly and reflected at the different prayer stations really well.

In gymnastics this week, Year 3 took part in a carousel of activities including practising teddy bear rolls, creating balances and using the climbing frame and equipment to work on their upper body strength. The children did a fantastic job and I was really impressed with their gymnastic skills!

On Friday, we had a special visitor in school. Howard Carter came in to tell us all about his discovery of the tomb of Tutankhamun. The class are going to use their findings to plan and create their own newspaper reports about this incredible discovery over the next couple of weeks!

### **Miss Allin**



## Year 4 Update



Fireflies - We had a day of activities this week based on our topic (Ancient Greece). We completed lots of activities, and we were lucky enough to have a fantastic company come in and help make the day special. We started the day learning about the Geography of Ancient Greece and recreating different Myths using our acting skills. We then completed an **Archimedeus** maths puzzle- I was particularly impressed with how the children used resilience and their problem-solving skills to solve the puzzles! In the afternoon, we learnt about different types of weapons and armour that the Ancient Greeks would have used in battle. After that, we then had a mini Olympic based activity involving lots of different sports! I hope the children enjoyed the day and learned many new things about our topic!

Thank you for all of your hard work this week.  
Have a fantastic weekend.

**Mr Brown**





## Year 5 Busy Bees Update

Year 5 had an amazing time on Thursday's trip to the Natural History Museum! The coach journey was long but the smiles were big as we saw many of London's sights. We crammed a lot in to our day—dinosaurs didn't scare us, submarine deep dives were taken in our stride and earthquakes were a piece of cake. The children were beautifully behaved and made us all exceptionally proud.

***Mrs McInnes & Mrs Robinson***





## Year 6 Update

Dragonflies did a fantastic job this half term, reaching their target of 45 marbles and earning their trip to **Harry Potter World** (make sure you all **arrive by 8.am on Monday!**)!

In Science, the class learnt about fossilisation (with a lovely demonstration, where we fossilised one of the class using our jumpers) and how fossils can be used to track the process of evolution. The class compared animals today to their prehistoric ancestors to track changes and spot similarities.

They class also had a wonderful time at the church this week, where the class visited a range of prayer stations. The children were very reflective and honest in their prayers, which was lovely to see.

### *Mr Clarke*

