

Class Updates - 08.07.2022



Reception Butterflies Update

Once again, another very week for Butterflies!

We started the week off with finding out about real life Superheroes and the children thought about what they would like to be when they grow up, they had some really super ideas.

We had another fun visit to **Tinies at St Mary's church** where the children joined in with songs and some acted out a Bible story with Matt. We then continued our **RE lesson about special places** and looked around St Mary's church to find out why it is special to Christians. The children discovered lots of interesting objects and asked appropriate questions to find out more. Butterflies drew some super observational drawings of items in the church that they liked. We and the St Mary's volunteers were again, very impressed at how well behaved and respectful the children were in church.



Then we had an amazing **Sports day** which I hope you all enjoyed. The children again were brilliant and cheering on their friends from other colour groups and showing such amazing behaviour. I am sure you are just as proud of them all as we are!



Next week on **Friday 15th July at 9:00** in the school hall is an opportunity for parents/ carers to attend the **Reception Graduation Assembly**. Afterwards you will have the opportunity to see around the class and look at their books.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Jeewan & EYFS team



Year 1 Ladybirds Update

Ladybirds have had a very varied week! We enjoyed watching the Year 5s and 6s perform in their brilliant end of term play and got competitive during Sports Day, taking part in lots of fun races. In class we have been helping Bob, the Man on the Moon, to attract more tourists to the moon, creating eye catching posters. We had great fun playing our glockenspiel in Music. In Maths, we have been looking at the language of time and dates and telling the time to the hour. In Art we are designing moving rocket pictures using levers and pivots. In Computing, we are becoming experts in ScratchJr, learning to programme. On Thursday, some children enjoyed time doing Bikeability on the playground.



Miss Nicholson & Mrs Potter & Year 1 Team



Year 2 Caterpillars Update

Mr Pike & Year 2 Team

We have been practising our problem solving skills in maths, this week. Using our multiplication skills, addition and subtraction and solving problems outside. In writing, we have been looking at calligram words (where the word is written to represent its meaning). **FLUFFY Wiggly**

We then planned some shape poems. This is where the poem is written in the shape of the theme. The class came up with a wide range of themes, including: football, rainbows, sweets, cars, lightning and trees.



I was so proud of Caterpillars on Wednesday during Sports Day.

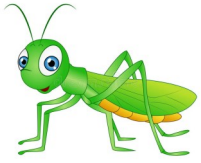
They exhibited friendship and perseverance and every one of them tried their hardest. It was lovely to see 3 of our class receive certificates for showing our school values during the morning. Proud teacher moment!

In music, the children have written up their pirate songs and they have started to perform them. They are so creative and I have been so impressed with how confident they are performing in front of their peers.

This week's spelling test words: storm, ate, bee, knight, mail, year, ball, flower, their, made



Year 3 Grasshoppers Update



What a busy week in Year 3! The Grasshoppers loved watching the Year 5 and 6 production on Monday morning. Lots of the class loved being able to spot their older siblings!

In maths this week, we have been looking at interpreting data from pictograms. The class have done a fantastic job of this and are really confident when reading these. In English, we have been using our senses to plan a setting description. Year 3 have come up with some fantastic descriptive language for their beach island scene and I am looking forward to seeing their setting descriptions next week.

The class did brilliantly during Sports Day on Wednesday afternoon. They showed fantastic sportsmanship and team spirit. It was brilliant to see everyone in the class throw themselves into their races and to see such excellent resilience. It was also lovely to see one of our Year 3s receive a certificate for showing our school values so well during the afternoon!

In RE this week, we have continued to look at the idea of dharma in Hinduism and how Hindus may fulfil their dharma. The class have asked some brilliant questions and discuss new religions that we learn about with great maturity and respect.

Miss Allin & Year 3 Team





Year 4 Fireflies Update

Fireflies,

Well done on another productive week! Firstly, I was very happy with all of your effort and commitment at sports day. You all displayed friendship, commitment and perseverance throughout the day.

During our lessons this week, we finished our recorder project. On Tuesday, we had our final session where we played pieces of music as a class using all of the techniques we have been working on. Hopefully, this has inspired the children to enjoy playing music and learning the recorder.

Alongside music, we have also finished our final art pieces. The children did a fantastic job using their printing techniques and produced some fantastic Roman soldiers.

Have a fantastic weekend,



Mr Brown & the Year 4 Team



Year 5 Busybees Update

It's been another extremely busy week and it has flown past!

Monday was a big day for everybody in Year 5 and 6 as it was the day of the Dress Rehearsal and the children finally got to perform the play to the rest of the school. They were amazing and we knew they were ready for the real thing! We hope you enjoyed their performance on Tuesday evening as much as we did; we were so very proud of each and every one of them! They sang their hearts out, remembered all the dance moves and the Skunks spoke their lines confidently and loudly—we wish we could watch it all again and we're already looking forward to next year!

Well done to everybody on a fantastic effort and super teamwork at Sports Day on Wednesday. Many of our class were helpers and really impressed us with their willingness to work hard and the speed with which they were transferring equipment from the finish back to the start line again—thank you for helping the day to run so smoothly!

The rest of the week, we've been learning to retell an adventure story off-by-heart in preparation to write our own next week, and we have started to create PowerPoints to showcase everything we've learned about the history of Saffron Walden on the laptops.

Have a lovely weekend, ***Mrs McInnes, Mrs Shackleton & Year 5 Team***





Year 6 Dragonflies Update

Dragonflies have had a packed week yet again—not only did they have the dress rehearsal and their final performance of Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies, they’ve also had Sports Day, swimming and their normal lessons too!

I’ll start off this week’s newsletter by giving a special well done to the class on their production—I can’t count how many people have come up to me over the last few days to say that it was the best Year 6 performance they’d ever seen! I think that is testament to the effort put in by every member of the cast, no matter how many lines they had, and their willingness to throw themselves into their characters. They should all be incredibly proud of themselves!

Year 6 have also had lots of History this week, looking at the Blitz. They have explored real objects from Saffron Walden’s World War II history (thank you to the museum for their help sourcing these!), listened to recordings from people and Winston Churchill during the Blitz, and watched archive footage of the Blitz from the national archive. They rounded out the week by looking at the food people would have had to eat during the blitz due to rationing!



Mr Clarke & the Year 6 Team

