

Friday 8 November 2019

Year 1

Diwali Assembly

This week 1Ruby had their first performance in Year 1. It was all about the celebration of Diwali. The class had made Diva lamps out of salt dough and Rangoli patterns. All the children learnt lines to recite and songs to sing. Taking part in an assembly and performing in front of an audience helps to develop skills like confidence, memory and perseverance. Many thanks for supporting 1Ruby learn their lines.



Year 2



In our Science lessons, we have been learning about habitats and living things that you might expect to find in different habitats. Pupils visited the global garden to record observations of all the different animals living in this habitat. We saw snails, worms, birds, centipedes and even a little spider! We will continue to visit the global garden in the coming weeks to record any changes or patterns that we observe.

Year 3

In History, the children are continuing to learn about what it was like to live in the Stone Age. They have studied different Stone Age housing and practiced their sewing skills by using a needle and thread. They pretended the needle was made out of bone. On Fridays, we have started an afternoon Aerobics session where the children synchronise their movements to music.

Year 4

This week Year 4 visited Kentish Town City Farm. They learnt about the different groups of animals that live on the farm and how the animals digest their food. The children were even able to stroke a goat and a chicken. Year 4 had a great day down on the farm!



Year 5

Year Five 'Felt the Force' at the Science Museum this week. Lots of children were inspired to become scientists through exploring the Wonderlab and various exhibits.



Year 6

Children from Year Six attended a football festival in Southall on Tuesday, participating in a range of football activities alongside other local schools. They had a great time and showcased some amazing skills!



Anti-Bullying Week



Next week is Anti-Bullying Week, the theme this year is Change Starts with Us. We have a collective responsibility to challenge and stop bullying. Working together we can stop bullying. Tuesday 12 November is Odd Socks Day: it is a way to show our uniqueness and celebrate our individuality.

Inclusion

CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS



On Friday 15th November, Ealing Parent & Carer Forum will be holding a workshop for parents who have children with

challenging behaviours. They will speak about causes and strategies for the following:

SENSORY INTEGRATION, ADHD & PATHOLOGICAL DEMAND AVOIDANCE.

The workshop will be from 10 am - 2.30 pm and held at St Andrews Church Centre, Mount Park Rd, Ealing, W5 2RS. If you would like to attend and have lunch, then contact Brigitte on info@epcf.org.uk

Online Safety

Parental Controls

<https://tinyurl.com/yawormkc>



The UK Safer Internet Centre has help sheets that show you how to set up parental controls

offered by your home internet provider. This will allow you to set up filters to help prevent age-inappropriate content being accessed on devices at home. They are available for BT, Sky, TalkTalk and Virgin Media.

English as an additional language

Here are some of the ways that we support children with English as an additional language (EAL).

Many of the strategies we use are aimed at supporting ALL children but they can be of particular benefit to children who are EAL.

- Buddy System to offer support and friendship
- Exposure to good role models of English
- Use of visuals and Working Walls to prompt and support learning
- Vocabulary Focus - teaching key words linked to topics and units of work
- EAL interventions to pre-teach and consolidate learning
- Recap and revisit previous learning at the start of lessons
- Speech and Language therapist to offer specialist guidance
- Oracy Focus - A regular No Pens Day to support the development of speaking and listening skills which also develops confidence and vocabulary use.
- Talk partners - Provides children with the opportunity to practice speaking and listening skills with their peers. It gives children thinking time and encourages all children to be involved in the lesson. It also helps children to develop their confidence.

What you can do to support your child:

- Speak in your own language as well as English
- Ask the children to share what they have learnt at school with you
- Visit museums/parks and practise speaking about what you see
- Talk to the class teacher if you need further support
- Attend parents evening and workshops offered at school
- Let us know what workshops and support would be helpful
- Listen to your child read books in English and your own language

Dates for your diary		
All week	11 th - 16 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
All day	11 th November	Individual and Sibling Photo Day Sibling Photos from 8:00 am - 8:45 am
All day	Tuesday 12 th November	Odd Socks Day - wear odd socks to school to promote individualism.
All day	Friday 15 th November	Children in Need Dress Up Day - suggested £1 donation.
	Friday 15 th November	DSA Quiz Night
All Week	18 th - 21 st November	Road Safety Week
9:30	Thursday 21 st November	Prospective Reception 2020 Parents' Open Morning

6:00	Thursday 21 st November	Prospective Reception 2020 Parents' Open Evening
3:40 - 5:30	Wednesday 27 th November	Parents' Evening Year 5 and 6 parents, book a slot with your child's maths and English teacher.
3:40 - 7:00	Thursday 28 th November	Parents' Evening Year 5 and 6 parents, book a slot with your child's maths and English teacher.
9:30	Tuesday 10 th December	Year 4 Christmas Show
9:30	Wednesday 11 th December	Year 3 Christmas Show
Lunch Time	Wednesday 11 th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch Book with Harrisons
9:30	Thursday 12 th December	Year 1 Christmas Show
10:45	TBC as changes by election	Nursery AM Christmas Show
2:00	Thursday 12 th December	Reception Christmas Show
9:30	Friday 13 th December	Year 2 Christmas Show
All-day	Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper Day (Donations are welcome)
9:30	Wednesday 18 th Decembers	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Assembly
2:15	Wednesday 18 th December	Nursery PM Christmas Show
2:00	Thursday 19 th December	End of Autumn Term. School closes at 2:00pm
8:45	Tuesday 7 th January 2020	Start of Spring Term 2020
9:30	Thursday 9 th January	Prospective Reception 2020 Parents' Open Morning

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