



Dear Parents and Carers,

The colder weather finally arrived this week. The sudden flurry of snow came very unexpectedly! However it did not stop our children from enjoying working outside and enjoying the edible garden. Work has begun in our field to install a high security fence all around the parameter. This will ensure the field is safe and is only accessible to the school via the front gate.

I have seen some imaginative story telling this week in Reception by Beech.

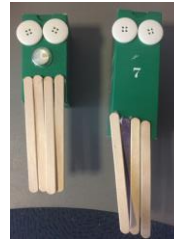
In Year 1, I saw a wonderful Dinosaur world, with rocks, volcanoes and trees, all created by the children in Year Kahlo class.



In Nursery children have been making the most of their recycling, creating, ever growing, giant rockets and racing cars! Their amazing work is now on display, please take a look if you are dropping off in the morning or afternoon.



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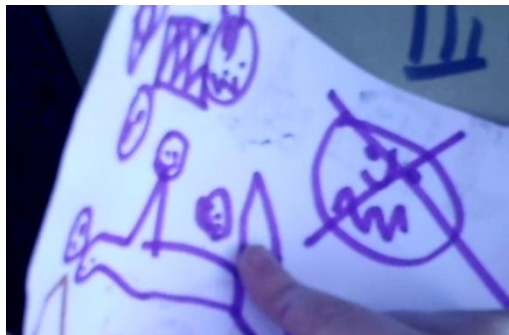
What a lovely surprise we had in nursery on Wednesday when we found our garden covered in snow! We had great fun scooping, scraping and collecting it with our hands; it was very cold and slippery. Lucas, Lianna, Isabel, Omar and Kelvin helped to make a snowman using things from the garden for his body.





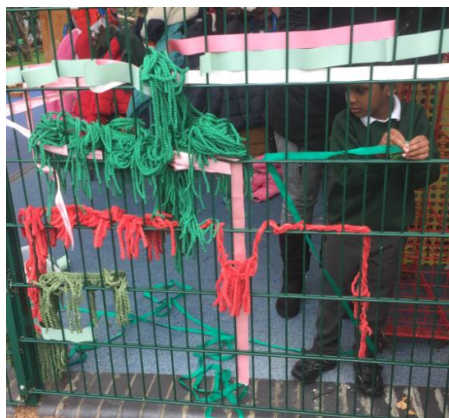
RECEPTION

In Reception this week the children have been busy making changes to the story of the Gingerbread Man. We changed the characters and even made up some alternative endings. In Otters Class the characters (a rainbow unicorn and a shark) ended up having a nice cup of tea together and in Pine Martens the dinosaur and gingerbread bunny went to play in the gingerbread bunny's cottage!

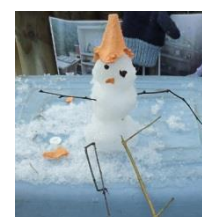


Beech used his story map to retell his story of the 'Chocolate Hyena, Gingerbread man! ".....Then the Chocolate Hyena met a Sharky and he said, 'jump onto my tail', no actually, 'jump on my Fin'!

We have continued our work on pattern this week in Maths. The children have made some lovely pasta necklaces outside, and we have worked together on a large scale weaving in the Reception garden.



The children have been busy at the woodwork bench christening the new drill! They have listened carefully about how to use all of the tools safely, and are able to explain to their friends and demonstrate too. We have some wonderful models as a result. The children show really high levels of active learning and concentration, as well as developing their creative ideas and ability to solve problems when working at the bench. We really appreciate the donation of this amazing resource from our PTA, and we always welcome any donations of off-cuts of wood.





Year 1

This week the children have been writing their own stories and then working with me, learning how to edit and improve them.

Some children made a clock cake with Lucy. Oren has taken the role of postman in Calder class and checks the post every day. Lastly in Calder class, Albie wrote a letter to the space man and he received one back!



We have also been learning about different materials (David on a materials hunt) and have discussed dinosaur habitats and what they ate!



Yusra in Pine Martens turned 5!

Have a lovely weekend!

WEEKLY DATES

Monday mornings - 9.00am - English conversation Classes – these classes are free to all members of the school community.

Wednesday mornings - 9.00 – 10.45 – Toddler Group. Please come and join in the fun. This session is open to all friends and family in the local area.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FEBRUARY

Monday 4th Feb - Nursery library trip for morning children 9.45 am

Thursday 7th - Nursery library trip for afternoon children at 1.30 pm

Letters out next week!

Thursday 14th - Reception Family Morning

Friday 15th February – HALF TERM

Monday 25th children back to school after half term.

MARCH

Tuesday 5th – Reception trip to Natural History Museum.

Thursday 7th - World book day - Dress up as your favourite book character!

Friday 15th Science Fair

Friday 29th – Mums in school for Mother's day.

APRIL

Thursday 4th April – Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 5th April – Easter Bonnet parade
School closes at 1.30 pm

Friday 5th April – Nursery reduced hours, finishes the same time as the main school;

AM 8.45 – 10.45

PM 11.30 – 1.30

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