



Weekly Newsletter

Living to Learn, Learning to Live



22.10.2021

REACH FOR THE STARS

Key Dates

School photographer
Thursday 11th November—am

SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING



ACADEMIC YEAR 2021—2022

Autumn Term 2021
1st September 2021 - 21st December 2021

Half term: 25th October to 29th October 2021

Spring Term 2022
5th January 2022- Friday 8th April 2022

Half Term: 21st February to 25th February 2022

Summer Term 2022
25th April - 20th July

May day: Monday 2nd May

27th May Jubilee Day

Week beginning Monday 30th—Friday 3rd June—INSET Days

Whit Break: 6th June

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY—Thursday 4th November

Children all over the school enjoyed our OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY today. This was planned well in advance and so we were very lucky with the weather—rain may have tested our commitment to outdoor learning!

There was a wide variety of activities taking place throughout the day. Some as simple as moving the lesson outdoors and others and others used our wonderful grounds to enable the children to explore.

More about this action packed day in next weeks newsletter.



THIS WEEK IN PSHE

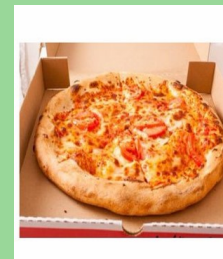
In PSHE this week we talked about the Gunpowder Plot. We talked about the discrimination and hatred that led to Guy Fawkes failed attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament.

We also talked about keeping ourselves safe on Bonfire Night and respecting those people and animals who do not enjoy this time, and may be frightened of loud noises.

PSHE IN NOVEMBER

Bully Busters will be working with both Y6 classes this November on a new project called NAIL IT which is designed to support and help children to make positive choices and understand the impact of their actions on others.

MATHS AT HOME—help your child with maths at home!



Why do we have a round pizza, in a square box cut into triangles? How many other shapes can find in your home like this?

WELLESBOURNE FOOTBALL TEAM

Children from Y5 and Y6 will be travelling across the city on Tuesday to represent our school in a football match—we're all behind them **GOOD LUCK!**



Most Correct Answers, Chris (Y4) 1,078
Highest Earner, Lucas (Y5) 8,130
Most Improved, Isobelle (Y4) - 0.4 seconds
Fastest all time speed, Mirabel (Y6) 0.61 seconds



Most Correct Answers, Sarah (Y1) 347
Most Coins Earned, Maya (Y2) 1,299

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Here are a few of our own tips to help you keep safe at bonfires and firework displays:

Please only attend professionally organised bonfire events as these must adhere to strict fire safety regulations and will have guided paths and safe firework viewing areas laid out.

For personal health reasons it may be better to enjoy fireworks displays from inside if you suffer from any heart conditions or respiratory problems such as asthma or bronchitis.

If you agree to attend a firework display, you may wish to take ear defenders for noise sensitive, elderly friends and young children, so they can enjoy the fireworks without being frightened by the loud bangs.

<https://www.welbeing.org.uk/blog/2016/10/keep-safe-home-halloween-bonfire-night/>

HISTORY CORNER

Diwali (beginning 4th November) is an important religious festival of light that is celebrated by the Hindu faith – it can last up to 5 days! Lighting candles, oil lamps and sparklers are the main customs of this festival.

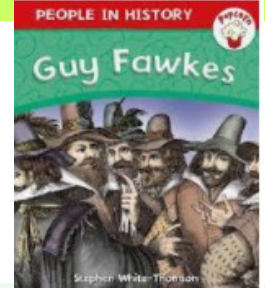
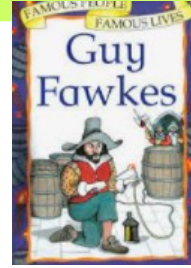
The Bonfire Night celebrations mark the anniversary of a failed plot to blow up the Houses of Parliament in 1605.

A group of people, that included Guy Fawkes, thought that the new King James I's government would change laws created by Queen Elizabeth I's previous government that treated Roman Catholics unfairly.

Fawkes, who was born on April 13th 1570, was found guarding 36 barrels of Gunpowder below Westminster Palace on November 5th. To find more information visit this link: <http://projectbritain.com/guy/history.htm>

Eve and Heidi (History Ambassadors)

Our History Ambassadors recommend ...



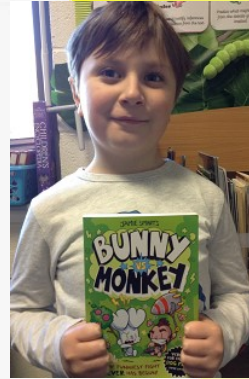
SPOTLIGHT ON READING—

Ciaran (Y3) recommends **Bunny Vs Monkey** by Jamie Smart.

This book was purchased by the money raised from the Silent Reading Event.

I love this book because it is like a comic inside and it is about the funny battles between Bunny and Monkey.

It has great illustrations



We love to read!

CHESS CLUB— After school for Year 3 and 5

Children in Year 5 and Year 3 have been attending our school chess clubs.

The club is led by a chess expert with work with children all over the country to develop their chess expertise.

DON'T FORGET

The photographer is in next week—Thursday 11th November, to take a school photograph of your child.

ATTENDANCE IS ONE OF OUR VALUES.

ATTENDANCE Superstars last week are Year 2CY with 99.33% attendance all week!!

Well done Year 2CY!

PLEASE try to make sure your child is in school, on time, every day.

Year One Phonics

This week in Phonics Year One have been practising phase 3 **vowel digraphs**.

Remember a **digraph** is when two letters make one sound. Can you spot the **digraphs** in these words: spoil, train, float, street, hook, spoon.

Have a look in your home reader and see if you can spot any **digraphs**.

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Check out our website for tips of how to support phonics learning.

<https://wellesbourneschool.co.uk/learning/english/>

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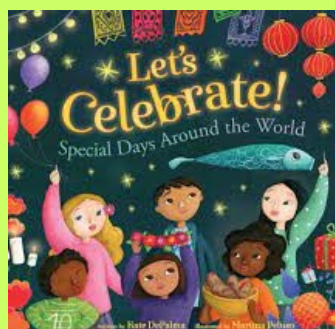
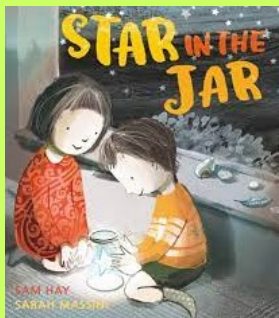
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Key Dates

Reception have P.E every Tuesday.
Children are to come to school wearing their P.E kits.

SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING IN OUR EARLY YEARS

These are our home time reading books.



Why not Google them if you want to see more, for free

Cooperate



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IN NURSERY THIS WEEK

Welcome back to all our Nursery children. It has been lovely to see lots of happy and excited faces returning to Nursery.

This week we have focused on learning about Autumn. We have talked a lot about the changes that happen in Autumn to the weather and trees and the celebrations that take place such as Halloween and Bonfire Night.

As part of Nature Friendly Schools the children enjoyed a wonderful Autumn walk around our school grounds. The children were so happy to have their own little bag to collect Autumn treasures in such as leaves, fir and pine cones and conkers. It was a great opportunity to develop vocabulary as the children used their senses to describe what they could see, hear, feel and smell. When back in Nursery the children worked together to set up our Autumn display and they were interested to explore the Autumn treasures further. Following our children's interests we added paper and pencils for the children to do observational drawings of the leaves and pumpkin. With the help of Fireman Sam the children have been learning about how to keep safe on Bonfire night. The children will be reminding their families about some important things to remember on Bonfire night such as:

Wear gloves when using sparklers and when finished place the hot sparkler in a bucket of water.

Always keep a safe distance away from fireworks.

Keep pets indoors.

Follow the link below to learn more about bonfire safety from Fireman Sam -



IN RECEPTION THIS WEEK

It was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Monday, they have settled back to school very well. The sounds that we have learnt this week are; u, r, ck.

We have observed lots of fantastic learning this week. From our children's interest in pumpkins, we learnt about the Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama. Kusama uses spots and dots in her art and has created dotty pumpkins on paper and as sculptures. We have been creating our own, painting and drawing on paper and on real pumpkins, we have also used dotty stickers to explore this technique.

To help us make predictions about our new focus story we had some clues, a pebble, a star, a coin, a feather, and a jar, were the objects that we could look at and decide what might happen in our new story 'Star in the Jar', we can't wait to find out more.

In Maths we have been sorting and matching the ways to make 1, 2, and 3, we have also been using objects to find 1 more and 1 less.

We have also been learning about the Hindu festival Diwali. We read the story behind the celebration, of Rama and Sita. We created our own Diya lamps, made Rangoli patterns, learnt a song, and had a go at learning some dance moves to traditional music.

Please remember to practise your child's book every night and send it to school each day.

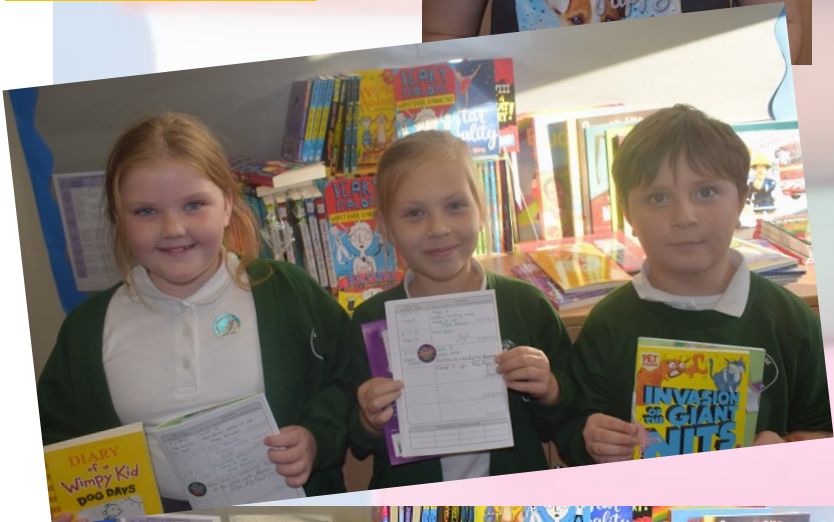
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Reading Prize Winners



Our AMAZING readers!!
All of these children have read 10 books at home—WELL DONE and keep reading!



You too can win a prize.
Read 10 home readers and you can visit Mrs Ryan's room to choose a prize.

NOTICEBOARD



Donate to the 999 Cenotaph:
Text 'Hero 1' to 70500 to donate £1.

If you would like to donate more than £1,
you can do so by visiting www.999Cenotaph.org.uk

Terms and conditions for donating can be found at www.999Cenotaph.org.uk/donationpolicy.
Over 16s only. Please ensure you have the billpayer's permission before donating.



#UniteTheUniforms for the @999Cenotaph



On **Friday 3rd December 2021**, we are asking you to wear red, blue, green or orange clothing (the colours of the emergency services) and **donate £1** towards the 999 Cenotaph.

The 999 Cenotaph will be the UK's first monument to honour everybody who has served in the NHS and emergency services.

This is a one-off campaign, for a once in a lifetime monument to our 999 and NHS heroes.



About the Emergency Services Cenotaph

- We are raising at least **£3.2 million** to build the UK's first 999 Cenotaph dedicated to everybody who has served in the NHS and emergency services.
- Almost **2 million people** (including 250,000 first responders) serve in the emergency services today.
- The 999 Cenotaph will stand for 1,000 years on Whitehall, London. It will be 21ft tall.
- The design includes 6 figures representing the different emergency services, plus a dog to represent service animals.
- The 999 Cenotaph is proudly supported by HRH Prince William, Duke of Cambridge.

Follow us on social media @999Cenotaph and encourage your friends and family to donate £1.

Our 999 heroes have been there for us, let's be there for them.



@999Cenotaph

Keep reading our newsletter to find out what is happening in school on Friday 3rd December to support his event.