



# Weekly Newsletter

Living to Learn, Learning to Live



## REACH FOR THE STARS

28.01.2022

### Key Dates

**Half Term: 21st February to 25th February 2022**

# 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

### ONLINE SAFETY

This week our children in years 4 and 6 got the chance to work with Clem from one day creative talking about online safety. They discussed hacking, cyber bullying and appropriate apps and sites. They discussed how it was their responsibility to be kind online and make good choices when using the internet. They had to create freeze frames of what would be on a poster promoting the positives of the internet and one for the negatives of the internet! They really enjoyed the day! Thank you Clem!



### THIS WEEK IN PSHE

This term we will be studying 'Living in the Wider World'

This week we have been thinking about how to look after our world. It's everybody's responsibility!



Brian Abram will be visiting school on Monday 31st January. Ask your child about his visit.

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



Who has more?

A game for 2 or more players

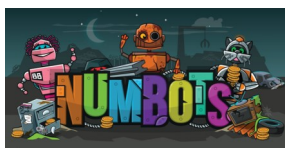
Ask an adult to put some coins into a purse. Each player takes 3 coins from the purse and finds the total. Who has more?

How much do you have altogether?

Challenge: If there is 63p in the purse, how many different combinations of coins could there be? What is the minimum number of coins which could be in the purse?



**Most correct answers: Isobelle Yr 4 – 1,865**  
**Most coins: Isobelle Yr 4 – 13,358**  
**Improved speed: Ruby-Mae Yr 4 -Improved by 4.29 sec**  
**Fastest all-time peed: Mirabel Yr 6 – 0.49 sec**



**Most minutes played: Nancy Yr 1- 24 minutes**  
**Correct answers: Nancy Yr 1- 244**  
**Most coins: James Yr 2- 1,497**



Year 1 have been looking at properties of materials.



Lunch with Miss Moore Winners - Friday 28th January 2022

**Anchika Y4**  
**Liam Y4**  
**Alfie Y4**  
**Mina Y4**

All have followed our schools values this week during lunch-time. They will be having lunch with Miss Moore which may include a little treat.

Well done!



## MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBENG

**Time to Talk Day is on Thursday 3rd February 2022. It will be run by Mind and Rethink Mental Illness.**

**Why Time to Talk Day is important**

- **One in 4 of us will experience a mental health problem in any given year.**
- **We want everyone to feel comfortable talking about mental health – whenever they like.**
- **Talking about mental health reduces the problem, helping to create supportive communities where we can talk openly about mental health and feel empowered to seek help when we need it.**
- **Opening up the conversation about mental health problems is important – by talking about it, we can support ourselves and others.**

### HISTORY CORNER

Did you know that 25th January is the celebration of Burn's Night?

Burns night is usually celebrated in Scotland, but can also be celebrated in England. The founder of Burns Night was Robert Burns, a Scottish man, who was born on January 25th 1759 and was famous for writing poems and singing them. This day is a great day to celebrate his poems. The main attraction of Burns Night is the Burn's Supper, where Haggis, tatties (potatoes) and neeps (swede or turnips) are eaten. People traditionally wear tartan, listen to bagpipes and sing 'Auld Lang Syne' – also sung on New Year's Eve.

Find out more about Robert Burns by watching this clip!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qMxIBqpryG0>

Also this week... 27th January marks Holocaust Memorial Day where people who died in the Holocaust of World War II are remembered.

Lacey (Y6)

Our History Ambassadors recommend ...



### SPOTLIGHT ON READING—We love to read!

Jakub from Year 3 recommends 'Return' by Aaron Becker.

It is a peculiar book because it has no words. As a class we talked a lot about what was happening on each page. I really liked talking through it and especially liked the settings.



### Year One Phonics

This week in Phonics, Year One have been revising the new phase 5 sounds they have learned over the past two weeks: **ay, ea, ie, ou, oy, ir, ue, aw.**

We have also been looking at psuedo words which we also call 'Alien Words'. These are words made up of phonemes that the children have learned where they must use their phonics knowledge to sound out e.g. dray made up of d-r-ay or grouf made up of g-r-ou-f.

We tell the children that these are not real words and that they are the aliens' names and that we can get rid of the aliens by saying their name out loud. The children are aware that the word is not real as they are accompanied with a picture of an alien.

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Attend



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

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

### TRIPS AND VISITS

School is busy booking trips and visits for the Spring and Summer terms.

Look out for your child's year group trip or visit. We plan some exciting activities.

Unfortunately, we are still not able to open the school up fully to all of our school community.

We're hoping to bring back Family Events and Family Assemblies in the Summer Term—we have missed them as much, as I'm sure you have.

### ATTENDANCE IS ONE OF OUR VALUES.

ATTENDANCE Superstars last week are **Year 3CM** with 94.4% attendance all week!!

**Well done Year 3CM!**

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

# Weekly Newsletter Early Years

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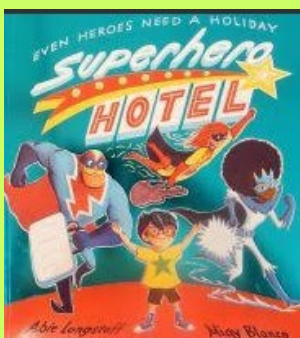
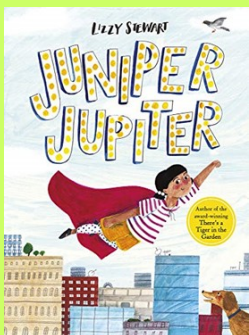
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### Key Dates

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

**SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING IN OUR EARLY**

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

This week in Nursery we have been learning all about Dentists as part of our 'People Who Help Us' theme. The children have learned all about the important job a dentist does in helping to keep our teeth clean and healthy. We talked about how it is very important to brush our teeth at least twice a day, eat healthy food such as fruit and vegetables and drink water and milk to help our teeth become strong. The children were able to sort various food into healthy and unhealthy groups.

The children had lots of fun in the funky fingers area using toothbrushes to remove all the decay from the images of teeth which they had drawn on with a whiteboard pen. It was hard work brushing all that decay off but the teeth were gleaming when they had finished.

Over the past couple of weeks Nursery has been very busy welcoming our new starters. They are settling in lovely and enjoying exploring out Nursery. We are so proud of our grown up children and how they have helped welcome and look after their new friends.



### IN RECEPTION THIS WEEK

This week Reception have had a busy and exciting time in their maths sessions as they have been exploring Capacity. The children have been engaged in exploring the heaviest and lightest objects, and making predictions about the weight of objects. They have also explored making their own potions and talking about what they noticed about their potion cups, if they were full, empty, nearly full, or nearly empty. As well as this the children have been predicting how much soil would fit into different sized plant pots. They had to decide which they thought would hold the most, and which would hold the least amount of soil, giving their explanations of why they thought this. Brilliant Maths vocabulary and exploration this week, well done Reception.

In Phonics we have been continuing to learn some new digraphs; sh,th,ng,nk. We will be sharing some useful information with you next week about Phonics, reading and writing. Look out for this on Tapestry and our ParentApp.

The children continued to be engaged in our narrative immersion text Juniper Jupiter. They have been listening carefully to the story and answering questions about what they have heard. They ordered the story pictures that we found, talking about what happens in each stage of the story. The children have also enjoyed drawing their own pictures of who they would choose to be their sidekick if they were a Superhero, labelling what powers they would like them to have.



# NOTICEBOARD

## IT'S YOUR CHILD'S LIFE

It's still not too late to join the remaining 3 weeks of our parent course 'It's Your Child's Life'. The course is for parents of reception children to help them gain an insight into what their child is learning at school and how they are being taught. Each week there will be practical tips and ideas to help your child develop skills in reading, writing, maths, confidence and resilience.

The last 3 weeks will be focusing on Phonics, Maths and English  
The course runs on a Thursday morning, 9AM start

Please see Miss Moore if you would like to come along  
The link below has more information about the course

<https://www.itsyourlife.me.uk/liverpool>



Citizens Advice Liverpool provides free, confidential and impartial advice to people who live and work in the city.

The General Advice team can help you resolve your problem by explaining your options and the possible outcomes of different courses of action. They can advise on any issue and will be there for you every step of the way.

They also have a number of specialist teams who can advise you on more complex issues.

And if you would like advice on an issue which is not listed, you can contact our General Advice team who will either assist you directly or put you in touch with someone who can.

**Benefits Appeals Advice**  
**Debt and Money Advice**  
**Energy Advice**  
**EU Settlement Scheme Advice**  
**Help to Claim (Universal Credit) Advice**  
**LGBTQ+ Hate Crime Advice**  
**Pensions Advice**

<https://www.citizensadvice.liverpool.org.uk/our-services>

## Liverpool's Early Help Directory

Understand that the health and wellbeing of your family is important. On the site, you will find a range of services and resources to help manage and maintain health and wellbeing for you and your family.

<https://fsd.liverpool.gov.uk/kb5/liverpool/fsd/family.page?familychannel=5>