



World Book Day



Here's a selection of brilliant world book day costumes from some of year 2's favourite book characters.

Sickness in School

Just a reminder that if your child is unwell with either sickness or diarrhoea please keep them off school for a full 48 hours after their last episode of sickness or diarrhoea – even if they seem completely well in themselves.

Many thanks for your support with this.



Year 3 and 4 Swimming

Our newsletter has been so full with wonderful news and learning that it has been several weeks since you heard from us about swimming. It is quite hard to believe that we are in March, so we only have four more swimming sessions for this year.

Since Christmas have seen a new coach driver, a new swimming teacher and lots of progress! Some of us have been putting our faces deeper in the water; some swimming 25m; others have been learning about personal survival.

Louise's group have been challenging themselves to be confident to put their faces in the water, blow bubbles for longer and getting their feet off the pool floor. As before, toes are busy with some bottoms sagging. However, their confidence has improved enormously. All members of the group are happy to enter the water; play games; push and glide off the wall; and swim under a woggle. We are encouraging all of them to have a swim in the shallow end of the big pool.

Teresa's Y3 group has been focusing on keeping bottoms up regardless of whether they are swimming on their fronts or backs. For most, this has been successful so their body positions are more consistently horizontal. This is repetitive work and Teresa's consistent 'small-steps' have inspired the children to stay focused and improve each part of their stroke. She has also introduced breast stroke legs which will be developed with a glide.

Teresa's Y4 group have been focusing on their breaststroke for several weeks. Firstly, by trusting their woggle to relax lying on their back allowing them to think about the cues: frog, star and pencil. These cues will be used when they put together all the parts and swim the full stroke.

Sadly, in December we said goodbye to Trish (who remains to be a swimming teacher for some of the children during private lessons) and in January we welcomed Susie. She settled in quickly and learnt all of the children's names the first week!

Susie's Y3 group have focused on all strokes and have built up their stamina to start swimming lengths each week. Most of the time this is 25m at a time, but we hope to increase this to practising each skill for 50m before we break for the summer. Year 3 have noticed the need to breath consistently and are quickly realising that it is not about being the first to the end of the pool - this is too tiring!

Susie's Y4 group are more confidence with equal balance on both legs and are swimming lengths during their lessons instead of widths. They have been introduced to some water safety and personal survival and each week practise treading water. They have been learning all four strokes and have enjoyed the challenge of alternating between two strokes. We hope that all children can have a go at individual medley by the Easter holiday.

Congratulations to Ziggy (who swam for the FIRST TIME in the big pool), Aeryn for putting her nose and eyes under the water for the FIRST TIME), Matilda, Fleur, Matilda, James, Ethan, Jaymee-Leigh, Edie, Jessie, Maisy T, Phoebe, Beth, Olivia, Lily, Ava, Declan, Leighton, Liam super stars over the past two months.

Repeat reminder: The swimming teachers have informed us that you can get prescription goggles if your child wears glasses. Perhaps make an inquiry at your optician.

Thank you, Katie

Polwhele Cross Country

On Saturday 9 March, Matilda from year 3 and Poppy and Poppy from year 4 competed in the annual Polwhele Cross Country event. All 3 girls did brilliantly over a very tough



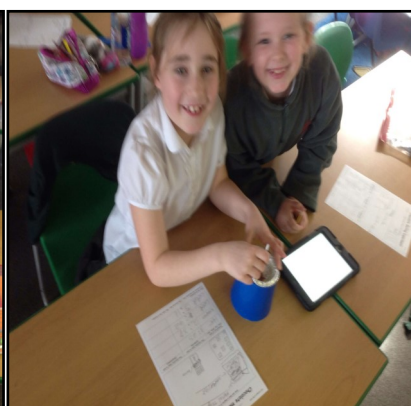
Coose Trannack Cross Country

Well done to Rafe yr 1, Matilda yr 4, Poppy M and Bella yr F for taking part in the annual Coose Trannack Cross Country event. All children did brilliantly. Particular congratulations to Bella who came 1st in the reception race.



Science Fun in Year 4

In year 4 last week we carried out a fair test to find out the melting point of chocolate. We used chocolate buttons and different temperatures of water. We timed how long it took for the chocolate buttons to melt.



Craft Success

Well done to Leighton for making a fantastic patch work cushion.



Spring Term Dates

March

Fri 22

Non school uniform day - bring in a chocolate donation for the Easter bingo

Mon 25

AM Year 1 visit to Kea Church - PM Year 2 visit to Kea Church

Wed 27

Year 3 and 4 Farm and Country day at the Royal Cornwall showground

Sat 30

KSF Easter Bingo

April

8-22

Easter Holiday

Tues 2

Spring Concert - Choir and Y6 Soloists

Tues 23

Start of the Summer term

Tues 30

8.00 am Governor Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting

May

Thur 2

Y4 to Bishops Forum

Fri 3

Y4 back from Bishops Forum

Fri 3

3.00 PM Stay and Learn Parent Session in YF

Mon 6

Bank Holiday

Wed 8

T & L Committee meeting 9.10 am

Fri 10

3.00 PM Stay and Learn Parent Session in YF

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Year 6 SATS week

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