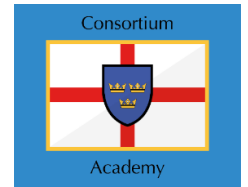




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Message from Mrs Barnard

The vocal harmonies of singing practice for our EYFS/KS1 and KS2 Christmas performances has been filling the school. It is wonderful to see the pupils so engaged and focused on learning their lines and songs. We are looking forward to welcoming you to the performances.

It appears the soft warmth of Autumn is fading and a blustery, cold Winter is heading our way. With this in mind, please can you ensure your child has the appropriate coat, hat, gloves and scarf for break and lunchtimes as we do go out in the majority of weathers.

Safeguarding notice;

TikTok has now raised its Livestreaming Age Requirement to 18 (BBC News)

TikTok has frequently been called out for its glaring failures to protect under 18s which use its service. With its flashy images, easily digestible content and 'childlike' feel it has always been popular among school aged children. A fact which has made its safeguarding failures all the more worrying. The platform's attempt to ban under 18s seems to be unfeasible however, and so it is as important as ever to be aware of its usage. Please remain vigilant on your children's devices.

Diary Dates

- Thu 8 Dec Robins and Woodpeckers Nativity
- Tue 13 Dec Red Kites and Starlings Christmas Production
- Wed 14 Dec School Christmas Lunch
- Thu 15 Dec – whole school trip to the Panto
- Thu 9 Mar Year 6 Forensic Science Day - Hobart

PTA News

The coloured hampers are now in the classes ready to receive your donations. Thank you to those of you who have already sent things.

A rail will be put in the school hall next week ready for the jumper swap. We have already had some donated!

Payments

Please can I remind you all to keep your children's meals and clubs accounts topped up on Arbor. If you normally pay for meals and your child orders a meal at registration the cost of this, £2.30, is deducted from the current balance in their meals account so you only pay for the meals they have. Could I ask you to ensure that there is no outstanding balance at the end of each week please.

The same applies to enrichment clubs these need to be booked and paid for in advance in order to generate a register for the member of staff taking the club. When your child is marked present the fee for the club is deducted from their Enrichment club balance so please can I ask that you keep this topped up so that, again, there is no outstanding balance at the end of the week.

This Week's Awards

Star of the Week

- Jesse for amazing effort in History
- William D for having a positive attitude towards learning
- Logan for being committed to his role in the Nativity
- Ella for her hard work and focus in rehearsals

Citizen of the Week

- Jacob W for showing resilience and positivity
- Jessica R for being kind in her words and deeds
- Freya for always showing the core values in school
- William for showing a positive learning attitude

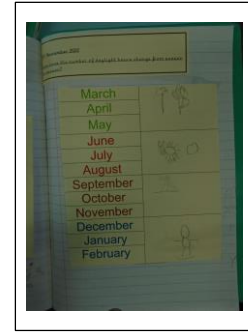
Reading Champions

- Sunnie, Jonah, Jasmine and Clemence

Class News

Woodpeckers

Woodpecker class have continued learning about Seasons in Science this week. We recapped the names of the seasons and the changes that are made to the environment during them before discussing how the number of daylight hours varies throughout the year. We linked this to sequencing the months of the year and finding out which month is in which season. Children then made seasons wheels to show what they remembered.



Robins

In outdoor learning this week, Robins have been learning about the life cycle of flowers and have planted some bulbs at the front of school which they learned will not flower until spring. We wondered what else has a life cycle?

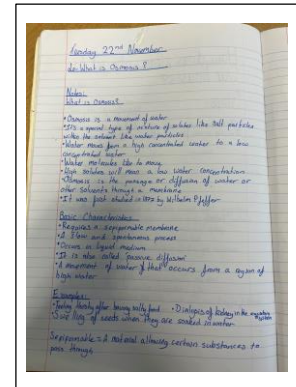
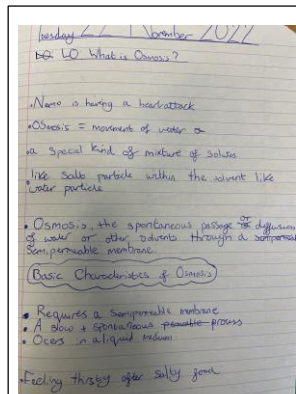
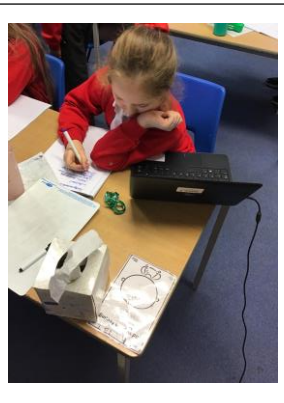
We have also been busy making props and rehearsing for our nativity and are getting very excited about performing it to our grown ups soon.

Sorry no photos this week.

Red Kites

This week as part of our science topic 'How can we prevent water diseases'. Red Kite class have been building links and being independent learners in researching osmosis and the different types. We also recapped on the uses of water within our homes and discussed if we would manage without running water in our homes.

Next week we will curious learners as we test the PH levels in different types of fresh and bottled waters.



Starlings

Following on from last week's amazing experiment, Starlings were tested through a series of quizzes to see if they could recall their digestion facts. They then articulated the process of digestion in their books, talking through each stage of the experiment - like an instructions manual. Next week in Science, we will be looking at the skeletal system and exploring the question 'What would happen if humans did not have a skeleton?'.

School Performance Tickets

We will be issuing tickets for performances of both the school productions. There is no cost but we do need to know how many we can expect for each performance. Initially we need to restrict tickets to 4 each but if further tickets become available after everyone has had the chance to order some we will let you know.

Please could you complete the relevant tear off slip below and return it to school indicating your requirements.

Robins and Woodpeckers – ‘The Nativity’

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Please could I reserve tickets for the following performance:

Thursday 8th December at 2:00pm _____ tickets

Signed _____

Red Kites and Starlings – ‘Primary School Christmas Musical’

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Please could I reserve tickets for the following performance(s):

Tuesday 13th December at 2:00pm _____ tickets

Tuesday 13th December at 6:00pm _____ tickets

Signed _____