

24TH MARCH 2023

A Message From Miss Reed and Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

This month we have been focusing on the habit of being **considerate**. The children have been learning about this both in assemblies and in class. We have been working hard to show how we can be considerate to others in school. It would be great if you can continue this at home, encouraging the children to be considerate in all areas of their life. Due to the NEU strike action last week, we were treated to two class assemblies this week, one from Year 4 and one from Year 5. It was great to see the learning that the children shared and to hear them singing the Oasis 9 Habits song – something we are working hard to perfect. One parent even asked if the words to this could be sent home so I will get those emailed out to everyone soon!

We have also held SATs meetings for our Year 2 and Year 6 parents this week – thank you to all those who managed to attend, hopefully this will have helped you to understand the process and also have given you some more ideas about how to support your children’s learning.

As I’m sure your children have told you, this half term each year group has been completing learning linked to one of the 17 Global Goals. These are part of a plan agreed to by world leaders to build a greener, fairer, better world by 2030. As part of their learning, many of the children have been finding ways to raise money linked to their global goal – Year 2 have been completing a sponsored workout and Year 5 organised today’s ‘**Wear Blue**’ day to raise funds for Unicef. We have been incredibly impressed with the children’s drive to support others and hope that you will continue to support them with this.



We thank you for your continued support and hope that you all have a great weekend.

Kate, Glenn and the Ryelands Team

Polite Reminder: Could we please remind all parents and carers that they should not approach other people’s children as we are sure you would not like other parents to approach your own.

If you are in any doubt or have a concern, please speak to a member of staff.

Wear Red - Wednesday 29th March

On Wednesday... **Wear Red** or sporty clothes and bring in £1!

Be ready to be active as we are raising money for the British Heart Foundation!



Events: Skipping at playtimes, Skipping Assembly for Year R, 1, 2, 3

PE Leaders and assembly skippers will run fun skipping morning sessions with Years 1 to 6!

Please support this wonderful charity by bringing in £1 and try to watch the following link with your child.

Save a life by just watching for 15mins!

<https://www.bhf.org.uk/how-you-can-help/how-to-save-a-life/how-to-do-cpr/learn-cpr-in-15-minutes>

Mrs Lula & PE Leaders

Easter Assembly Friday 31st March

On Friday 31st March, we are having a **Special Easter Assembly at St Luke’s Church**, where pupils from Reception to Year 6 will take part. There will be lots of singing and an Easter story where some of our Year 5 children will be acting.



Our Easter Bonnet Parade will also take place at the church and there will be prizes for the most creative ones. All pupils willing to take part are invited to bring their decorated Easter bonnets/hats into school. Parents and carers are invited to watch the assembly and, if possible, to walk with us to and from the Church. We will be leaving school at 9.40 am and be back by 11.00 am. Please, let the class teachers know if you can help.

Mrs Saftoiu

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UNICEF - Blue Day

Year 5 have been working towards their Global Goal for sustainable development. We asked our children to wear **blue** to raise awareness for the need for sustainable management of water and sanitation for all in the world. We also asked children to donate £1 to go the charity UNICEF, who already have a special program developed to help people across the world with basic sanitation. We are so proud of Year 5 with their understanding of the need to help others and are so grateful for the contributions that all the children have made. Together we can make it a better world for everyone.

Ms Brophy, Miss Johnston and all of Year 5



Comic Relief Hamper "WINNERS"

Thank you to everyone who donated towards the making of their child's class hamper and purchased raffle tickets to win one of the amazing hampers (pictured) to raise money for the Comic Relief Charity.

THE WINNERS WERE:

- Kyla Magpie Class
- Rosie Chaffinch Class
- Kayla Heron Class
- Faith Magpie Class
- Evie Raven Class
- Rayan Kingfisher Class
- Jayden Eagle Class
- Alisha Duckling Class
- Mason Goldfinch Class
- Boris Woodpecker Class
- Louisa Goldfinch Class
- Mia Belle Starling Class



Year 5 Football Tournament at Trinity School

On Wednesday 21st March, children from Heron and Raven class went to Trinity School to play football against several other schools. We were very excited to play, we drew on our first game. On the second game the other team won, on the third we lost again but our team still had hope. The games that followed got harder and harder, but we managed to score on the fifth game which was great! - Beatrice

We had a great day on Tuesday at the Football Tournament. Everyone played extremely well and I am very proud of the confidence the team brought to the pitch. Well done everyone! Coach Marcus



This Week's Adventures

Nursery: This week Nursery have been learning about Dinosaurs. We have learnt many dinosaur names and have got to know their features, what they ate, how they behaved and where they lived. We even learnt grown up vocabulary to describe them like herbivore, carnivore and extinct and we understand what our new words mean! We used our interesting words to describe our favourite dinosaur to our friends. We learnt new dinosaur rhymes and read lots of dinosaur stories. We also printed different dinosaur footprints and made delicious rock cakes which made us all ROARRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR!

Reception: This week in Reception, we have continued to learn about minibeasts and farm animals. The children have listened to the stories "What the ladybird heard" and "Mad about minibeasts". They have enjoyed learning new facts about minibeasts and have done lots of writing around the topic. In Maths, they have continued learning number bonds within 10, doubling and comparing numbers within 10. On Thursday, they have enjoyed another musical bumps session with Clare, where they have practised keeping the rhythm and tonality using various musical instruments.

Year 1: This week in Year 1 we have started reading a new book called "The Jolly Postman and Other People's Letters". It focuses on the Jolly Postman's daily life delivering letters to different fairy tale characters and we have made predictions and written letters in the role of Goldilocks. In Maths, we have started to look at weight and mass. This week, we have been learning about *lighter and heavier* and have been exploring balancing scales. On Wednesday, we had a visit from "Dr Cloth" who helped us explore lots of materials. We had fun playing games and helping Dr Cloth write a new book all about materials.

Year 2: Year 2 have had a great week starting a new book in English called "An Engineer Like Me". We have learnt what an engineer is and have explored the structure of instructions. We have even been engineers ourselves, working out how to protect an egg from cracking when it falls. In Maths, we have started a new topic all about mass and have been measuring and reading scales in grams and kilograms. In Science, we collated the results from this term's experiments and set about designing a house that can withstand a hurricane. We enjoyed our sponsored workout for Place2Be – it was a bit different to our usual PE lessons but we enjoyed the challenge for the cause! Thank you to everyone who generously sponsored their children.

Year 3: Year 3 have had a great start to their new 'Newspaper' focus in writing this week inspired by the book 'The Tin Forest' – great use of inverted commas (speech marks), great vocabulary and sharing ideas in class. In maths, everyone made a great start to fractions. Pupils have been able to use correct mathematical language when discussion 'equal and unequal' grouping – great partner talk and iPad work. In Science, lots of friction and gravity work has been completed – Kingfisher had fun completing their friction experiment and Woodpeckers looked at magnets and creating their own magnets.

Year 4: This week, Year 4 have continued their writing based on 'The Iron Man'. Owl class were happy to share their work in their assembly - well done Owl Class. In Maths, we have started to look at the place value of decimals and what happens when we divide a 1 digit number by 10. In Science, we learned about how sound travels and how the acoustics of different venues affects how we hear the sound source. We did some fantastic relief prints using our own motif designs and layers of differently coloured inks. In Computing, the children explored whether conditions were met in a program that determine whether it would run or not. We will also finalise what we want to achieve for our Global Goal task to deliver those changes in the coming weeks.

Year 5: Year 5 have been challenging themselves this week to complete some quite challenging codes in computing where they have had to use nested loops (a set of instructions that repeat inside a set of instructions) and create functions (the code behind a block). Please ask the children to show you on their code.org as it is very impressive! They have also written some very tense narratives that have been so good that Miss Johnston and Ms Brophy may end up having nightmares from reading them. They have been learning how to convert fractions to decimals in Maths and Raven Class did a fantastic class assembly. The children are also very proud of themselves for raising money for UNICEF today for their Global Goal by getting the whole school to dress up in blue- Well done Year 5!

Year 6: Year 6 are continuing using Harry Potter as a stimulus for writing but are now focusing on non-chronological reports. We have looked at an example and identified the features ready to write out own about a magical creature. In maths, we have continued to learn about decimals including multiplying and dividing. We have also been learning about angles in triangles, quadrilaterals, straight lines and around a point. We then applied this knowledge and understanding to solve problems. In grammar, we are looking at the different word classes, types of sentences and relative clauses. Reading this week has focused on mixed comprehension as we now practise applying all our different skills to a given text.

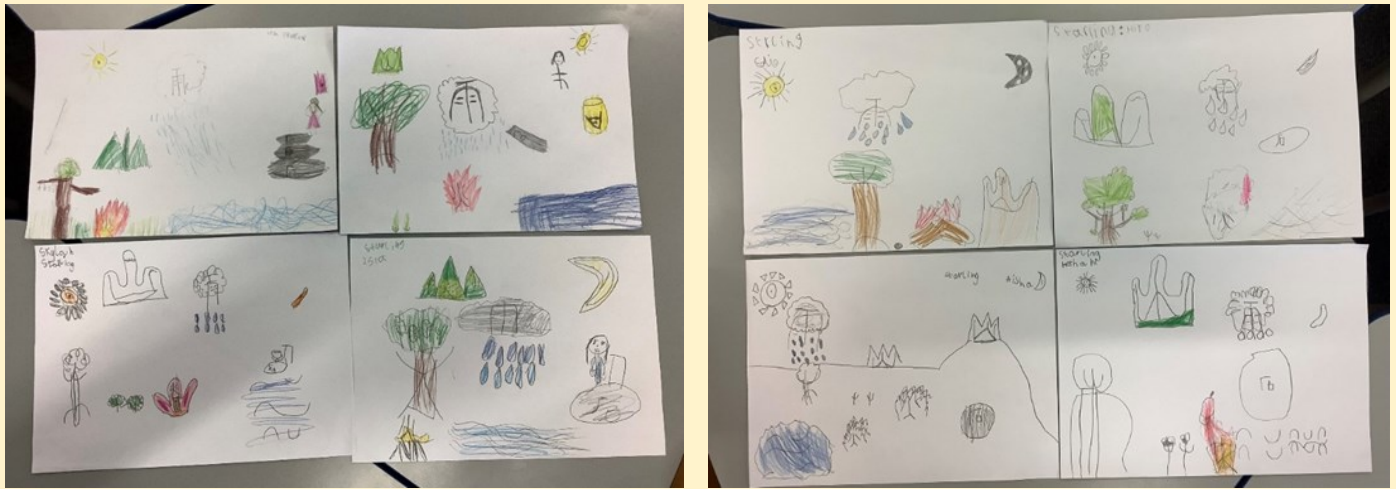


MFL- Mandarin this week



This week, from Year 1 to 3, we explored the orientation of Chinese characters and learnt Chinese calligraphy.

In Year 1, we learnt 日(sun) 月(moon) 水(water) 木(wood) and drew pictures by the words we know.



In Year 2 and 3, children had a chance to do the Chinese calligraphy by using bushes.

In Year 4, we reviewed the names of snacks in Mandarin, and learnt to use the sentence:

“.....+ like(喜欢) +” to talk about people’s favourite snacks.



In Year 5, children enjoyed playing a “Listen and Guess Game”

to recognise the names of vehicles in Mandarin and learned to use the sentence: “坐 (take).....+去 (go to)+(destination)”

In Year 6, we reviewed the popular means of transportation in Mandarin and learnt to use “骑” “坐” to match with the transportation.





Stars of the Week

Each week, a child in each class is chosen for

Robin	Aziah Joyful
Wren	Kacharell Hopeful
Sparrow	Orla Considerate
Starling	Jonny Humble
Chaffinch	Josiah Joyful
Goldfinch	Caoimhe Humble
Kingfisher	Joshua Hopeful
Woodpecker	Zion Hopeful
Magpie	Sofia Joyful
Owl	Deshaun Patient
Heron	Lucy Joyful
Raven	Jeneque Joyful
Eagle	Manelo Forgiving
Hawk	Florin Humble
Phonics Fairy	Israel
Children's Choice	Taylor Rose chose Nova Joyful Zion choose Ava Joyful

Spelling Shed	Class	Child
1st	Goldfinch	Yusuf
2nd	Kingfisher	Eldrich
3rd	Raven	Angela

Compassionate	Patient	Humble
Joyful	Honest	Hopeful
Considerate	Forgiving	Self-controlled

Maths Shed	Class	Child
1st	Raven	Riley
2nd	Hawk	Eldrich
3rd	Heron	Thara



portraying one of the Oasis 9 Habits.

Makaton Words Of The Week

Next week's words will be:

Teacher and Friend

All the children are enjoying learning the new Makaton signs and joining in with the signing of our songs in Sing & Sign assembly. Please encourage your children to show you the signs they are learning, they are doing so well!



Attendance

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions with registration in the morning at 09:00 and after lunch in the afternoon. Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

Attendance Target: 96.4% Attendance This Week: 94.8% Attendance This Year: 93.3%

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS - ATTENDANCE PENGUIN GOES TO CHAFFINCH CLASS

ATTENDANCE CUP GOES TO RAVEN CLASS

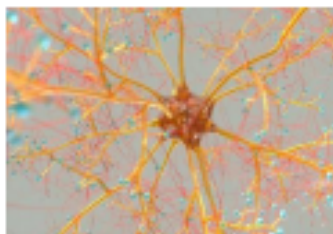
Registers are taken at 09:00. It is important that the children are at school on time and in the line at 8:50 every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class.

Pupils Late This Week: pupils 49

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Wed 29th March	Wear Red and/or Sporty for British Heart Foundation £1 Due date for Science Poster Competition
Thurs 30th March	Year 3 Trip: Morden Hall Park River Clear Up 9.00am Year 4 Magpie Class Assembly
Fri 31st March	Year 4 Trip: Stanley Halls Performance St Luke's Church - Easter Assembly 9.40am – 11.00am Last Day of Term
Mon 17th April	Return to school
Wed 19th April	KS1 Multi Skills Festival

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Poster Competition “Connections”



The theme this year is '**Connections**', so there are loads of STEM topics that could be explored! How about exploring how our body parts are all connected and work together, the connection between our actions and the impact on our environment, or even how internet connection has changed the world?

Your challenge is to create a poster that has:

- **Creativity in approach** – Innovative angle on the content or creative interpretation of the theme
- **Content** – Clear, accurate and informative about a STEM topic
- **Effective communication** – presented and communicated in an engaging way

**Please hand your poster in to Miss Sales (Goldfinch) by
Wednesday 29th March 2023.**

Rules:

- Entries must be one page of A4 or A3 paper only
- Work must be original and created by the student(s)- please do not use any templates.
- Entrants can be teams or individuals.

Here are some examples from last year's winners.

Theme: Growth.



What are the prizes?!

Depending on the age category, we have exciting prizes for this year's competition which include:

- 3D information book
- AD magazines
- Animal adoption pack
- Art posters
- Buildable playsets
- Digital adventure picture book
- Eco bags
- Experiment book set
- Family ticket to the Brooklands Museum
- Space-themed prizes
- Stickerbook or wallbook

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Easter themed Performing Arts Art and Crafts and Outdoor Activities

**Plays and Drama Activities | Arts and Crafts |
Singalongs and Dance | Clay Modelling Activities | Physical Activities |
Nutrition Education Activities | Easter Egg and Scavenger Hunts, Relays,
Toss Challenges and Trail | Parent Workshops and Families Support |
Best dressed Easter Bunny Competition**

**Monday 3rd April 2023 - Thursday 6th April 2023
(Monday to Thursday)**

10am-2pm

**Krishna Avanti Primary School, Southbridge Place, Croydon,
CR0 4HA**

**For more information and to register please visit the website
<https://www.skipzproductions.org/skipzhafcroydon>**

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