

<u>Primary Newsletter- Number 9</u> <u>Week 31st - 4th November 2021</u>



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?

PRESCHOOL

This week in Preschool, we continued to listen to the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In addition, we have learned a fun way to remember rhyming words by singing the "Silly soup" song. In Maths this week, we investigated the sizes of the bear's chairs and beds, and we sorted and matched the bear's furniture.



This week in Reception we continued with the story 'The Gruffalo'. Children drew a character from the story. In Maths we looked at what 'more' and 'less' means. We used counters and a number line. Our tricky words for this week were 'he' and 'she'.



Year 1 have been so busy this week exploring the story of Rapunzel. We recreated the story using freeze frames and then sequenced these in the correct order. In maths, we have been learning how to use 3 numerals to create an addition fact family. We used concrete materials to help us understand this concept. In foundation, we delved further into our Geography topic and learnt how to spot a coastline, river and city on a map!



This week Year 2 have been learning how to use the column method for addition and subtraction. In English, we have started to explore prepositions and expanded noun phrases. We finished our Science topic by looking at different food sources in a food chain and we learnt the oceans song!



This week year 3 have been coming up with a fool-proof plan to capture The Iron Man. We have been using bead strings to help us add and subtract using our 10 times tables to help us. In Science we have completed our light topic and the children now know what to look for when buying sunscreen! We have also started to learn touch typing in computing and have been using the summarise and retrieve skills in our reading lessons.





Year 4 have completed their 'hot task' in English which was writing their own newspaper report. Many marine animals have been sighted and our reporters have been on the case to report the true events! Maths has found our students working through 3 and 4 digit addition, using base 10, place value counters and column method!



This week in Year 5, we have been learning about similes, metaphors and personification to help us write a Tanka poem. In Maths, we have been learning about reading data from line graphs and two-way tables. In Foundation, we learnt about how the Vikings raided and invaded Britain



This week in Year 6, we have been enjoying writing a setting description in English of a lone boat at sea. In Maths, we have been using BIDMAS and mental calculations. In Foundation, we learned about Rosa Parks and her impact on the Civil Rights Movement. In Science, we have been learning about the parts of the human eye!



Year 1: Has been learning basic family members.

Year 2: Has been learning to say what they have in their pencil case according to gender and number.

Year 3: Has been learning to give a simple description of a picture using shapes and colors.

Year 4: Has been learning to say what there is in the classroom.

Year 5: Has been learning more about Hispanic culture (México).

Year 6: Has been learning to count until 1000 using tens and hundreds.

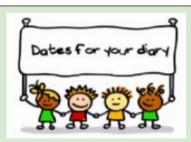


This week Primary students have been playing body percussion, chime bars (resonator bells) and percussion instruments. We are still learning about instruments of the orchestra (woodwind, and brass families), listening to the sound of the instruments and trying to understand the difference. Students have been practicing how to write notes. Also practiced singing different melodies with SolFa hand signs. Pupils practiced "Good morning", "Bounce high bounce low" "Faded" and "Count on me" songs. All pupils have been practising how to sing with proper singing technique.



These children have had their birthday this week

Ahmad Al-Sorour Mohammed Albuainain AlDana Alzobair Muhaimin Ul Hoque Ahmad Al-Ibrahim



WB- Sunday 7th November- Online ECAs begin. (See Miss Roger's email for details.)





Information







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As we approach the time of year where the temperature changes, children become more susceptible to seasonal illnesses such as coughs, colds, runny/stuffy/blocked noses, tummy bugs, sore throats and headaches; I ask that parents do not give their children paracetamol products in the morning then send them to school. As the day goes on, the children feel unwell again, and we have to send them home. If your child is sick enough to need medicine, please, keep them at home. We all have a duty of care for each other, and sending a sick child to school can impact the other children, families and teachers.



DBS Wakra is a truly international school with many nationalities, religions, customs and traditions, so, with that in mind, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families celebrating Diwali all the best-'May the celebration spread joy, light and peace.'



We know parking around the school can be challenging; however, please be considerate of our local community. Do not block people's garages, do not block our gates, do not park on the pedestrian crossings. Keep calm and respectful at all times. It may be easier to park one or two streets away and walk to the school to collect your children, especially as the weather is much cooler than when we began this academic year.