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Welcome to our latest newsletter!

We received a letter today from the Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP Minister for Schools, congratulating us on our fantastic achievement in reading, writing and mathematics. His letter goes on to say he recognises Bruche as being in the top 1 per cent of primary schools in the country for reading, writing and mathematics achievement. This is a fantastic achievement and I am so proud of our children, staff, parents and carers who have contributed to this.

We have also been lucky enough to have been given 1 x junior and 1 x adult season tickets for Warrington Wolves home fixtures! The seats are situated in the East Stand. Our staff will nominate children throughout the season to use the tickets for the home games.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Mr Jones

Communication Corner

Diary Dates 06/03/2024 Vision Screening Reception class 07/03/2024 World Book Day- Children dress up 08/03/2024 Open the book Assembly 11/03/2024 Living eggs arriving EYFS 15/03/2024 Red Nose Day 18/03/2024 Some of our children perform at Parr Hall 25/03/2024 PTA Easter Bake sale after school 28/03/2024 Non Uniform Day 28/03/2024 School Closes for Easter 08/04/2024 School Opens after Half Term 12/04/2024 PTA Raisin challenge (more information to follow) 18/04/2024 Tempest Photographs 29.04.24-03.05.24 Scholastic Book Fayre week 02/05/2024 Polling Day – (School open as normal) 06/05/2024 May Bank Holiday 08/05/2024 Nursery Welcome Event 5.00pm 20.05.2024-22.05.2024 PTA Donate a toy 23/05/2024 PTA Toy sale 24/05/2024 School Closes for Summer Half Term 03/06/2024 School Opens after Half Term 12/06/2024 Reception Welcome Event 5.00pm 14/06/2024 Sports Day - Morning EYFS 14/06/2024 Sports Day – Afternoon KS1 & KS2 18/06/2024 Sports Day (back up day if the weather is bad on 14/06/2024) 19/06/2024 Y6 to Robinwood 21/06/2024 Y6 return from Robinwood 06/07/2024 Summer Fair 08/07/2024 Transition Day for the children 08/07/2024 School reports to parents 09/07/2024 Transition day drop in for parents to meet new class teacher 3.30pm – 4.00pm 15/07/2024 School report drop in for parents after reports 3.30pm - 4.00pm 18/07/2024 Y6 Leavers Assembly – Parents Invited 18/07/2024 School finishes for Summer 19/07/2024 INSET Day - School Closed



22/07/2024 INSET Day - School Closed

For World Book Day on 7th March, we invite all children to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. This is always a fun-filled day, with activities linked to characters, stories and favourite books.

We politely ask for a £1 donation which will go towards new books for each classroom.

Special Mentions

Nursery- Leo Hackwell-Ward for excellent work in phonics, suggesting words that begin with the initial sounds m, a, s and d. Well Done Leo!

Reception – My special mention is going to be awarded to **Hallie-Mae Lester**. Hallie is working really hard with her spelling in class and she is able to spell out words accurately using a sound mat. Keep up the great work!

Year 1- Alfie Hill for trying really hard to contribute to class discussions this week! Keep up the amazing work!

Year 2 – **Alice Glasgow** for always being a kind and caring friend.

Year 3 -Frankie Dickenson for making amazing choices all week and completing great work!

Year 4 – Oliver Pickett for his great attitude to learning in the last week.

Year 5 - Anna Brown for her excellent attitude to her work!

Year 6 – Ruby Ashall for tremendous commitment to all her studies.

PE Star- Harrison Kemp for his expert demonstrations during this week's lesson.

Early Years News

Nursery

We have enjoyed reading Jasper's Beanstalk this week and the children have been painting tall and short beanstalks as well as using different construction materials to try and build towers that are taller than the beanstalk in our classroom.

The children suggested some wonderful creative ideas for what they think might be at the top of Jasper's beanstalk and drew beautiful pictures to record this.

We have been continuing to listen for initial sounds in words and I am so proud of the children for their attempts at suggesting additional words for each sound we have covered.

Don't forget that next Thursday we can all wear our own clothes to show our favourite characters for World Book Day and we will be listening to as many stories as we can in Nursery for the Readathon!

Have a lovely weekend.

Well Done Nursery!

Mrs Wallace

Reception

In Reception this week, the children found an envelope with some seeds inside. The children had to guess what was in the packet and they came up with some predictions. The children had a go at writing short sentences and labelling their pictures using their phonics knowledge.

In maths, we have been learning about height. The children have been comparing their heights and have also been using a range of resources to measure different heights. The children measured their peers heights by counting out how many blocks tall they are and writing the total number.

The children have also been very excited this week in Computing. The children have been learning about 3D printing and have all had the opportunity to write their name. Their names will be getting printed into a key ring for the children to take home.

Have a great weekend all!

Miss Bostock

Key Stage 1 News

Year 1

In Literacy this week we received a very peculiar image of a character! We have asked questions about where we think it has come from and how it arrived. The children think it has arrived from space and it is lost! We then completed some work using first person and enjoyed writing from the perspective of the character. We are trying really hard in Literacy to focus on applying previously taught sounds and revisit our work to check it makes sense.

In Math's this week we have continued with place value and our understanding of tens and ones. We have explored whole part models to support us with partitioning and the children can confidently explain that parts make up a whole. Year 1 have also used a number line to secure their understanding of numbers to 50 and completed some work on using clues to estimate accurately.

In Science this week we have tested if a range of objects are bendy or not bendy. We enjoyed discussing how the material that an object is made from effects its properties.

We have enjoyed using our DT designs to make our own fruit kebab this week. The children had the opportunity to use equipment to peel and chop their fruit before putting it onto their kebab skewer.

Well done for a such a great week Year 1!

Miss Lewis

Year 2

This week Year 2 have continued to work really hard for their handwriting awards and their work has been fantastic!

In Writing, we continued to use our adverbs of time to complete our recount and all children included paragraphs, conjunctions and the correct punctuation! Later on in the week we learnt all about different sentences types. We identified a statement, command, question and exclamation sentences. All the children gave excellent examples of their own too!

In Maths this week we began our new unit of multiplication and focused on the two and three timetables. We also looked at repeated addition and how this links with multiplication calculations.

In Geography we used atlases to identify the five oceans on the world. We learnt a new song to help us remember what the five oceans are called! Now we can remember the 7 continents and the five oceans, ask us!

In Computing, we used the IPADs to practise our navigating skills. We researched educations maths quizzes and looked at Google maps to identify our local area.

During our spelling lessons we have been focusing on using the correct sounds when spelling different words and practising how to spell many Year 2 common exception words. We are becoming much more confident when writing these in sentences too!

During our Music lesson we used musical instruments to create different sounds.

Another fantastic week Year 2 well done!

Miss Kerrigan

Key Stage 2 News

Year 3

In maths this week we have started investigating long multiplication using the grid method. The children have worked so hard at using this method and have been actively choosing to use it, when working out difficult calculations!

In English, we have looked at some different grammar techniques that will help us improve our writing. We identified different word classes and focused on subordinating conjunctions. In geography, we used the iPads to research the top 5 largest rivers in the world and we created an information fact file about them. As a challenge, the children then had to identify the countries on the map where each river is located.

In History, we investigated hill forts and what they are. We discussed what they were used for and how they would protect people.

In PSHE the children discussed what freedom of speech is, and what that means for us in relation to our human rights. They discussed the positives and negatives of freedom of speech and were able to talk about important topics such as the 'Just Stop Oil' protests.

It has also been assessment week this week and the children have been fabulous! Mrs Hogan

Year 4

In Year 4 this week it has been assessment week so all the children have been working really hard on showing off their skills in reading, maths, grammar and spelling.

This week, In Maths we have been looking at multiplying and dividing by 6. We have been looking at fact families and noticing the link between multiplication and division facts.

In English, we have been using our knowledge of fact files and non-chronological reports to research about women in Science. We read about Sau Wan Lu and then used laptops to research more about a female scientist of our choosing and then created our own non-chronological reports.

In History, we learnt about the origins of the Olympic Games. We found out when and where they took place, why they were started and what happened there. We looked at pottery from the time

and compared them to modern-day pictures and then created our own itinerary of sporting, religious and social events.

Homework

Reading Plus x 2 at home TT Rockstars - 5 minutes daily Reading x 3 entries in diary LBQ - 6 times table division facts ClickView - Ancient Greece Video **Mrs Shone**

Year 5

This week, we continued looking at equivalent fractions and converting fractions into having the same denominator so that they can be compared.

In writing, we researched about rainforests around the world and plotted them on a map. It was clear that they all seemed to be close to the equator and so we could infer that this meant that the climate must be hot and humid. We then used the VRs to experience what it would be like in the rainforest so that we can describe one next week.

For our RE topic, we researched miracles that Jesus performed. We had freedom to outline these stories in whichever way we wanted e.g. comic books, storyboard, a written piece, pictures.

On Wednesday, we were very lucky to have Warrington Fire Brigade in to talk to us all about fire safety. We learnt key ways to stop fires on our clothes, how to react when we are in a house fire and the importance of checking smoke alarms often. Finally, we were able to experience what it would be like in a smokey environment - we could see how the smoke rises and so stayed close to the ground away from the 'toxic' fumes.

Mrs Ratcliffe

Year 6

Year 6 have been planning experiments and making predictions in Science.

They will be investigating how exercise affects the body and which types of people are likely to be the fittest in the class.

Next week, the children will be carrying out a fitness test called the Bleep Test, along with a series of other fitness tests and will analyse their results by creating a series of graphs using Excel.

In English, the children have been investigating complex and simple sentences and have been identifying phrases and main/subordinate clauses.

In History, the children have been learning about how the Battle of Britain was a major turning point in British history.

In PSHE, the children continued to look closely at the brain and how neural pathways are developed. The process where this happens is known as neuroplasticity. The children continued to develop breathing exercises to train our brains to work to their maximum.

In Maths, the children have been relating concepts of angles, time and algebra to solve problems.

They have also been looking at how timetables work and have been solving everyday problems using timetables.

Mr Gould

PΕ

This week our UKS2 children have been competing in small sided cricket games, putting together the skills of striking and fielding into a modified game. Our LKS2 have started to play in doubles Tennis and Badminton combining transferable skills of movement and object manipulation.

Mr Cooney

Lunch Menu W/C 04.03.24

Week 3





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Spring Half Term 2024	09.02.24	19.02.24
Easter	28.03.24	08.04.24
Bank Holidays (Good Friday and Easter Monday)	29.03.24 and 01.04.24	
Bank Holiday (May Day)	06.05.24	
Summer Half Term	24.05.24	03.06.2024
Summer 2024	18.07.24	04.09.2024

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INSET 1	04.09.23
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Easter Holiday	01.04.24 – 05.04.24	
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Music is a compulsory and important part of the National Curriculum. The national curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils: perform, listen to, review and evaluate music.

From September 2022 Early Notes Music Education will be able to offer support to students with small group and one to one instrumental tuition for the following...

Ukulele For KS1 & KS2 students

Guitar For KS2 students

Keyboard For KS1 & KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Flute For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Recorder (all ranges) For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Violin For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Drum Kit For KS1 & KS2 students

Tuition prices start from £65 for 12 sessions, all lessons are held within school during lesson time. The 12 sessions will usually fit into a school term and lessons will be carried over should a term be less than 12 weeks.

For further information about Early Notes Music, details about specific instrumental lessons or to enroll for September, you can do this direct via our website www.earlynotesmusic.education