

Newsletter

Friday 5th February 2021



*We explore, we create,
we innovate.*

KEY DATES

12th February 2021

School closes for half term break

22nd February 2021

School reopens following half term

26th March 2021

School closes for Easter break

12th April 2021

School reopens following Easter break

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 9th February 2021

'An internet we trust' - exploring reliability in the online world.

The link below will take to you the page with information for different age ranges and information for parents and carers.

<https://www.saferinternet.org>



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Reception

Imogen Gimenez

Year 1

Olivia Nicholson

Year 2

George Williams

Year 3

Joseph Jacobs

Year 4

Lucas Stein

Year 5

Lewis Cooke

Year 6

Leilani Knowles

GENERAL UPDATES AND NEWS

Year 5/6 Bubble closure

Thank you for your understanding regarding the closure of the Year 5/6 bubble. This came about as a result of the staff twice weekly testing which shows it is doing its job. I appreciate as a parent myself that the short notice closure is frustrating, but it is important that we as a school follow the policy and procedures as set out by LCC and the DfE. Just to confirm the return date for the bubble is Tuesday 9th February.

Remote learning questionnaire

A letter has been sent out to you today with a summary of the questionnaire from last week. This can also be found on class dojo. Thank you very much to all who took the time to complete the questionnaire, this was a useful tool in reviewing our remote learning offer. We will be making a few slight changes after half term including the introduction of well-being Wednesday, how zoom sessions are used and staffing arrangements in school. The responses were very positive and some of your comments have really helped to boost staff morale and keep us all going. Thank you for your continued support of all we are doing.

Mental Health Awareness Week

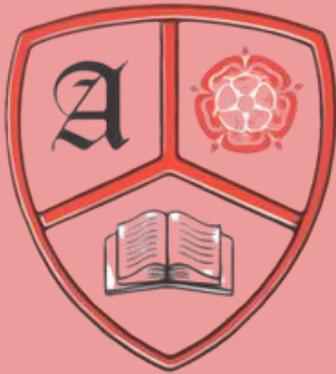
Here are just a few examples of some of the things children have been doing for mental health awareness week; making glitter bottles, word cloud art, building a brain house and using the hand image to show how we express ourselves.





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Our curriculum theme is: EXTINCT, ENDANGERED, EXSISTING
Our value this half term is: KINDNESS
Our PE value this half term is: RESPECT



TEAM AWARDS OF THE WEEK

Reception

Teddy Butler

Year 1

Corben Taylor

Year 2

Ruby Maclennan

Year 3

Eva Powell

Year 4

Boaz BcCall

Year 5

Ethan Flint

Year 6

Evie Forshaw

Curriculum news

Reception - This week we continued learning about Dinosaurs. We found out what they ate and researched some more amazing facts about them. We also focused on our mental health and expressing our emotions. We played a guess the emotion game, made mindfulness jars and took part in yoga to relax our bodies and minds. Next week we will be learning about Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day 🧡🐉

Year 1 - This week year 1 have enjoyed role playing the recount of the 'magic paintbrush' and I was so impressed with their recount maps and retelling on video. They have also told me about their talents and sent me videos of these too, which has made me smile this week! Next week we will be going out into nature to find examples of patterns in the natural world.

Year 2 - Year 2 have worked hard on their new maths topic shape. They have created some fabulous word art about the special people/hobbies in their life. They have enjoyed reading a non-fiction text all about rainbows and have learnt lots of new facts. They loved learning about the Great Fire of London and how London changed after the event. A HUGE well done to everybody this week.

Year 3 - Another busy week in Year 3! We started our new English topic based on the story, Stone Age Boy. We took part in a healthy heart circuit in PE and identified how we can express ourselves for PSHE, mental health awareness week.

Year 4 - This week we have been celebrating Children's Mental Health Week with activities to help us express ourselves, explored the lives of the rich and poor during Tudor Times, and discovered how fish are different from amphibians and reptiles.

Year 5 - In Year 5 this week, we have practised catching skills in PE and compared the geography of Chile and the United Kingdom. In English, we have been writing complex sentences and adding action to the build-up of our story. We have had a tricky week in maths, learning different methods for division, but the children have risen to the challenge and preserved! Super stars!

Year 6 - The class have produced some fantastic non-chronological reports about some of the creatures which can be found on the planet Pandora in English. We have been tacking converting between fractions, decimals and percentages this week and the children have done brilliantly with it. For history the children had to imagine being a Victorian prisoner and write a diary entry about how they felt after months of hard labour.

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Please look out for information in the coming weeks about a virtual parents evening in March.