

Newsletter



**ANDERTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Friday 12th March 2021



*We explore, we create,
we innovate.*

KEY DATES

19th March 2021

Red Nose Day

26th March 2021

School closes for Easter
break

12th April 2021

School reopens following
Easter break

6th May 2021

Inset Day



Celebration Assembly via Zoom

Our Celebration Assembly is going live via Zoom from next week (19th) If your child is due to receive an award you will receive login details for the assembly on Thursday via email. The assembly will take place at 2:30pm on the Friday. Participants will be muted on entry. Please ensure your name is correct and on show when you enter the waiting room. Anyone unrecognised will not be permitted to the meeting. Please do not take screen shots.

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Reception

The whole class!

Year 1

Olivia Wright

Year 2

Bobby Hopkins

Year 3

Taylor Westwell

Year 4

Riley Gimenez-Johnson

Year 5

Callum Dykins

Year 6

Callum Jones

GENERAL UPDATES AND NEWS

COVID-19

Unfortunately, we have had to close a bubble this week following a member of staff testing positive for COVID. Staff are invited to take two lateral flow tests each week on specified days. If the result comes back positive, we are advised to close the bubble until the result of a PCR test is obtained. If this is then positive, close contacts of the person testing positive are advised to self-isolate for 10 days. If the PCR test comes back negative the bubble can reopen. The definition of close contact can be found on page 25/26 of this document: [Schools coronavirus \(COVID-19\) operational guidance \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Household members of those contacts who are sent home do not need to self-isolate themselves unless the pupil or staff member who is self-isolating subsequently develops symptoms.

Red Nose Day – 'Put the Pow in Superpower'

We will be celebrating Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March. The children are invited to attend school in non-uniform and make a donation to the charity. We will be holding 'Our bubble has Superpowers' competitions so the children might wish to prepare a 'talent' in readiness. This can be anything – a dance, a poetry recital, joke telling, singing, storytelling, magic tricks etc.

May half term Holiday club

Thank you to all who have expressed interest in using the holiday club in May half term. Further information on how to book will be sent out next week. In order for the club to be financially viable we do need a good uptake from families so we hope that you will support this new venture if you can.

FREE Family Easter holiday fun with the Family Learning Team

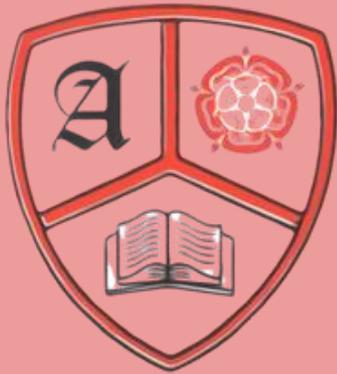
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Our curriculum theme is: My Big Blue Planet

Our value this half term is: Respect

Our PE value this half term is: Self-belief

TEAM AWARDS OF THE WEEK

Reception

Elizabeth Wesley

Year 1

Hunter Culshaw

Year 2

Teddy Round

Year 3

Jacob Bergman

Year 4

Jenson Wild

Year 5

Connor Lawrenson

Year 6

Kier Durrant

Curriculum news

Reception - This week Reception have had a super week settling back into learning in the classroom. We have made our own boats and written super sentences about them, all before testing if they would float or sink in water. In Maths we have explored matching different numerals to quantities and played various games of bingo! Next week we will be learning all about minibeasts. 🐛 🐞 🐜

Year 1 - This week Year 1 have loved being back in class! It is like we have never been away. The children have settled back in so well and made me very proud. This week we have been learning about the four compass points and making observations of our school when facing in certain directions. We have also thought about what is good and perhaps not so good about our school. Next week we are looking forward to making our fruit kebabs in DT!

Year 2 - Year 2 have continued their work on fractions this week- focussing on a third. We have read a non-fiction text about Monsters and answered questions on the text. In science we have looked at the differences between seeds and bulbs. Keep working hard at home. 🍌

Year 3 - We have had a lovely first week back. We have started a folk tales topic in English based on the story 'The Tin Forest.' We have lots of fun activities planned for World Book Day and have started a superheroes dance unit in PE.

Year 4 - This week, we have dived deep into the intriguing story of 'The Wild Robot', explored fractions and begun to understand data logging and it's purpose. We've also been super excited for Oxford Reading Buddy - Year 4 are Team Pompom!

Year 5 - It has been amazing to be back in school this week! We have started swimming again and we did dance in PE, role -playing the Solar System. In DT, we carried out a sensory analysis on different breads from around the world, which we all enjoyed enormously! For our PSHE and class assemblies, we have explored the theme of anger, including what happens when we feel anger and how we can take back control. In English, we have completed work based on the music video for Titanium by David Guetta.

Year 6 - Year 6 really enjoyed their first Forrest school session with Mrs Culshaw and are excited for the next few weeks. In geography the children used an online mapping tool to explore ordnance survey maps and began to identify the different features. In English we have written descriptions of the office of Sherlock Holmes as well as his personality in comparison to Dr John Watson.

World Book Day

Please look out for photos of our World Book Day celebrations on facebook. We have had a great day with the launch of Oxford Reading Buddy (Thank you to Mr Tilley of all his hard work on this) and virtual visits to all the classrooms from authors who are all parents at our school – a fantastic way to inspire our children.

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