



SACRISTON  
ACADEMY

# NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## Nursery Explore Fossils!

This week in Nursery, we have been exploring fossils! Nursery have been learning about Mary Anning's dinosaur discovery and have been discussing the changes and differences they can see. You are super palaeontologists!





## **Reception Play Music!**

This week Reception have been listening to different nursery rhymes and talking about the patterns of the songs. The children have been clapping the beat and then playing hot cross buns on the glockenspiels. The children played hot cross buns by using the colours to help them. The children played in groups saying the colours, played solo using the colours and then played along as a group while we sang hot cross buns. Reception are natural musicians!



## **Year 1 Spread Kindness**

Year 1 have been thinking about relationships and how to be a kind friend in PSHE. To start they played a game of 'hedgehogs' where they crouched like a hedgehog when the music stopped, and a blanket was placed over one child. The class had to use teamwork skills to identify which child was hiding under the blanket. Once they had guessed correctly, the class shared compliments about that friend. Year 1 then thought about what makes a 'good friend' and agreed on the following, good friends:

- Share with others
- Are kind to everybody
- Don't make people feel left out
- Help people feel better





## Year 2 'Creative Homework'

We have had some fantastic examples of creative homework from Year 2 so far this half term! The children were tasked with designing and creating their very own lighthouses as part of our 'Coastline' topic. We explored in detail the differences between human and physical features, and why a lighthouse is such an integral feature of our coastline.



## Year 3 Sports Rounders

This half term the class are working with a coach for the sport rounders. Last week the children were learning how to field. They have built on this knowledge by perfecting their aim and including a wicket catcher in the game. The sunny weather this week meant the children could enjoy the sport outside. Well done for your resilience year 3.





## Year 4 Explore the Festival of Vaisakhi

This week in RE, Year 4 have been exploring the festival of Vaisakhi. As part of this, we learnt about how the Khalsa was formed and the story behind it. We learnt that five men proved their devotion to God and were rewarded by the Guru. Year 4 had lots of fun retelling the story using drama and those playing the crowds were fantastic at showing their different emotions at key points of the story! Well done Year 4.



## Year 5 Science Classification!

This week, in Science, Year 5 have been looking at and classifying different organisms you would find in a pond. The class began the lesson by watching a video of pond dipping and identifying what was found. They then classified these animals using a classification key.



## **Good Luck Year 6!**

Year 6 have been working extremely hard over the last few weeks in preparation for their SATS next week. All we ask is that you try your best and we are sure you will. This is your chance to show what you can do and show everyone how amazing you are! We wish you all the best of luck next week!

Good  
Luck!



## **Girls Football!**

This week was the final week for our girls football. They managed to put another well-fought point on the board with a 0-0 draw against Neville's Cross. This meant the girls finished 4th in their seeded league, meaning they finished 4th overall in Durham and Chester-le-Street. A huge well done!







The menu for week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May is Week 2. School dinners are £12.50 per week, paid online by Monday please. Our school menu can now be found on our website. If you would like to look at the options with your child, please use the following link.

<http://www.sacrisonacademy.co.uk/school-information/lunch-menu>

### **School Meal Price Increase from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024:**

We have been notified that from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024, school meals will be increasing to £2.81 per day, £14.05 per week. Please see Class Dojo post for further information. Thank you



### **Class Attendance**

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98.46%	97.62%	97.53%	87.18%	100%	87.22%	89.33%	84.21%

The government expectation is 96% attendance for individual pupils and school. Attendance and punctuality really matter to your child's education - every day counts! When your child's attendance drops below 95% school will begin monitoring. Referrals to the local authority may also be made if there is no improvement seen.

### **Weekly Awards**

Our Headteacher Awards were presented today to the following children who have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Mia Gordon

Reception: Ella- Rose Edmunson

Year 1: Lilly Milburn

Year 2: Layla Potts

Year 3: Orryn Bloomfield-Bell

Year 4: Hollie- Mae Hubber

Year 5: Archie Crone

Year 6: Abbi Scott- Hamilton



Class Awards this week were presented to **Year 2** in Key Stage 1 and **Year 3** in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at playtime and lunchtime! Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!

## Dates for your Diary

W/C 13<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 SAT Week

Girls Football League Match

Year 5 Trip to Edinburgh

**SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY**

New Reception Parents Meeting

Y6 Residential

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NELT Summer Concert

Zumba Festival Whole School

Summer Fayre

