

Bawdeswell Primary School Newsletter



January 2024

Welcome Back!

The spring term is well underway already. The children have come back from the Christmas break with an amazing enthusiasm to learn.

We all know how changeable the weather can be this time of year and as a result we are getting a lot of lost property left at school. Please make sure ALL your children's clothes are clearly named so we can get missing clothing back to owners easily. If you do have missing clothing pop into the corridor through the door to the playground at the end of the day. All lost property is hanging on the pegs to the right.

Also, please check your children bring their lunch boxes home everyday. We have lots here to collect, please come and have a look if yours is missing.

Year 1 and 2 PE Festival

Year 1-2 had a brilliant day out at Easton Tennis Centre, we took part in lots of different sporting activities that the children loved! They showed kindness and teamwork throughout the day to all their teammates and also to the Reepham High School Leaders.

All the children showed amazing resilience throughout the day and did the school proud. A special well done to Maggie who got the WNDSSP values certificate. They all had such a fun day out, super job Year 1-2!



UK's leading child protection charity and Times Tables Rock Stars are teaming up for the 8th year in a row to celebrate the NSPCC's Number Day. We will be taking part in activities, games and Dress up for Digits all while raising money to support services such as Speak out Stay safe and Childline.

The competition runs between 7:30am and 7:30 pm on Friday 2nd February. We will give the children time during school to go on Times Tables Rock Stars but why not boost their chance of winning by doing some at home too?

If you or your child are not sure how to log in come and talk to the class teacher before the day to make sure you are all set and ready to go!

The New Look Library

This month our library has been totally transformed. We have had The Children's Book Centre in to organise, catalogue and restock it with loads of amazing new books.

All the children have had a chance to browse the new selection, pick books for themselves to read and some to take back for the book corners in their classrooms.

It would be lovely if you could come and see it too. We are now opening the library after school every Monday until 3:45pm. Why not pop in with your child; browse the shelves; sit and read; then take a book home to share for the week.

Everyone is welcome!

Beech Class

This month Beech class has been full of amazing experiences and learning. Learning about the seasons in Science has allowed us to spend lots of time in our woodland area, focus on nature and how it has changed since September. We have had some great discussions and contributions from the children.

In English we have been studying the book 'Super Millie and the Super School Day'. We decided to use the sequence of this story to plan and write our own superhero story. The children really enjoyed this and have produced some lovely story books.

To begin our 'Bright Lights, Big City' project, we had a royal tea party, with a royal guest coming to the party. The children learnt some of the rules and routines that are expected when meeting royalty such as: bowing and curtsying to the king, not sitting down until the king is sat and only speaking to the king when he addresses you. We had a lovely time.

Furthermore, we have turned our classroom into the city of London. We have London Zoo, Tower Bridge and Buckingham Palace. The children have worked together to make Big Ben!

Maple Class

We have had a fun and busy time in Maple class this month. We began our new topic of Rocks, Relics and Rumbles with a geological dig. We will be continuing this throughout the term.

We continued our work on fractions and focused on the terminology of numerator and denominator and learned that the bigger the denominator the smaller the portion. Our new topic in Maths is time. Please help us to tell the time by asking us at home.

In English we have looked at the Pied Piper and explored old English terminology. We continue to enjoy our secret story and enjoyed a story most recently from Robin.



Science has begun with great enthusiasm and we have explored air resistance and Murphy's Law.

Let's be Inspired!

Each week we have been learning about different people who have led lives that we are inspired by.

We have also recognised we can be inspired by each other too! We have begun to share some of our successes in school through our own Inspiration Wall.

If your child has done something they are proud of please let us know so we can share it!

Elder Class

Elder Class have been busy finishing their amazing legend stories about a mysterious aquatic creature, as well as starting our new story The Sleeper and the Spindle. We have been working hard in maths focusing on decimals and percentages, as well as explaining our mathematical thinking in a variety of ways.

We have been learning about the Sikh sacred building and what Sikhs believe, as well as their core values of sharing and giving to others. We have imagined giving 10% of our own money to help build the Golden Temple. It made us feel proud!



In art we have been using chalk on black paper to create fades, sketching and shading to create 3D images as well as well as making continuous line drawings just like Picasso did! We have had great fun in the woods being photographers and taking black and white photos which we will be using in our drawings soon.

In computing we have been discussing the importance of keeping our personal information safe when we use the Internet and what social network sites do with their users' data. We have learnt what the Internet is and how it works.

Bawdeswell Primary School Newsletter



January 2024

Term Dates

Feb

1st	Year 3-6 Dodgeball Festival
5th-9th	Children's Mental Health Week
19th-23rd	Half Term
26th—29th	Japan Week
29th	Year 4-6 Club Football Festival

March

5th	Mars Day and World Book Day
11th—15th	Big Plastic Count Week
15th	Dance Show at The Space
18th—21st	Year 6 SATS Practice Week
21st	Adapted Sport for All Festival
27th	Last Day of Spring Term
28th—12th	Easter Break

April

15th	First Day of Summer Term
------	--------------------------

May

2nd	Years 2-4 Tri Golf Tournament
6th	Bank Holiday
13th-16th	KS2 SATs week
20th-24th	KS1 Testing Week
21st	Class Photos
27th-31st	Half Term

June

3rd-7th	Malawi Week
5th	Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
8th	Summer Fete
10th—14th	Phonics Screening Week
17th-19th	Year 5 and 6 Residential
24th-28th	Sports Week
26th	Sports Day
27th	INSET

July

10th-11th	Year 6 RHS Transition Days
12th	Year 6 Day in the Woods
12th	End of Year reports to parents
17th	End of Year Concert
19th	End of term—children finish 1:15pm

Mars Day 24 and World Book Day

This year we have chosen to combine these two events as they fall in the same week.

At Bawdeswell we will be celebrating world book day on Tuesday 5th March with a space theme. We will be taking part in talks and live online sessions with national and international space guests as well as discussions with hidden heroes of the UK space industry. We will be doing space themed Maths and lots of space reading and writing!

The children are welcome to dress up that day, along the theme of space—they could be a space traveller, an alien or even a space ship! Who knows?



Stars of the Month



Year R: Travis

Year 1: Órlaith

Year 2: Arlo

Year 3: Addelyn

Year 4: Molly

Year 5: Maia

Year 6: Abigail

Well done to all of you. We are so proud of how hard you have worked this month.