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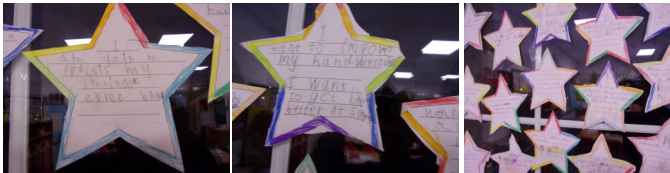
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Newsletter 7th Jan 2022



Happy New Year and welcome back to school. We are looking forward to the new term and the lighter nights and better weather to come. Just a reminder, if you haven't already done so, please book in for parents virtual meetings which are being held on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th.



This week, **Goldsworthy** class have started their new topic 'To infinity and beyond!' We considered the big question; 'What is out there?' and our learning by reading the story *Whatever Next*, learning about famous astronauts and writing a list of things we would take to space.

Mondrian class has talked about the tradition of New Year's Resolution and we have written sentences to remind us what we want to achieve in 2022!

In **Kiely** class this week we have been using counters to make equal groups and have started learning about our new topic: Greenland! We've also been learning the story of the Magic Paintbrush : A Chinese folktale which makes whatever you paint come to life! In reading we have been laughing our socks off with our new book: *The hundred mile an hour dog*.

In **Year 5** this week, the children have been incredibly engaged in their new theme: Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. Year 5 began researching who the Anglo-Saxons were and even completed a mood board based on the Anglo-Saxon culture. The children have used their inquiry skills and asked lots of questions linked to their new unit, which we will spend the term learning the answers to. Year 5 have also enjoyed learning different methods for multiplication in Maths, which they were all extremely successful with. Next week, we will continue our investigation into the history of the Anglo-Saxons and will begin our writing unit based on the story: *Beowulf*.

This week **Year 6** have started researching the British Empire and Industrial Revolution. So far they have started their learning using their Inquiry STEM skills, researching and sequencing main events between 1750-1900. They have also explored how the Britain shifted from an agricultural society to an industrialised society, providing explanations of differences between the two types of living.

Homework and Reading Reminder

Please ask your child if they have homework, reading and spellings to complete and support them with this where you can. This could be finding them a quiet space, helping them to work out what they need to do and giving encouragement. Reading with your child builds language skills, improves their concentration and academic abilities, it helps them relax at the end of the day too



Please Remember:

The school doors will close at 8.55. If children arrive and their door is locked, they will need to enter through reception and will be logged as late.

THANK YOU!

Flu Nasal Vaccine

If you would like your child to received this immunization this year, please follow the link below:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2021/Devon>

Devon Primary School Centered Initial Teacher Training



As a school, we actively promote and support new teacher training and we are happy to introduce Mrs Tremayne who is our new trainee teacher. She will be spending this term in Picasso (yr 5) class working with Mrs Wallace. She is looking forward to working with us at Weston Mill.

Welcome Mrs Tremayne

ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 29TH NOV—3RD DEC 2021

The expected percentage is 96%.

Well done to this week's winning classes: **KS1 MONDRIAN**
KS2 HOCKNEY



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| GOLDSWORTY | 93.74 | MONET | 93.75 |
| MATISSE | 90.87 | PICASSO | 96.60 |
| MONDRIAN | 94.23 | GAUDI | 86.67 |
| KEILY | 90.38 | HADID | 92.31 |
| KAHLO | 92.86 | HOCKNEY | 97.22 |
| DA VINCI | 88.69 | | |

Please Remember

Parent Pay.

Please remember to pay your account (in full) as soon as possible. All meals, and breakfast club, should be paid for in advance. If you are having any problems paying, please contact school reception.

Thank you.



IMPORTANT DATES 2022

Mon 21st Feb to Fri 25th Feb - HALF TERM

Mon 28th Feb - NON PUPIL DAY

Fri 8th Apr - NON PUPIL DAY

Mon 11th Apr to Fri 22nd Apr - EASTER BREAK

Mon 2nd May - MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Mon 30th May - BANK HOLIDAY

Tues 31st May to Fri 3rd Jun - HALF TERM

Weds 27th July SUMMER HOLIDAY STARTS

School Uniform Reminder

Please ensure you send your child to school in the correct uniform: Mid grey: Trousers (no jeans please) or shorts, or skirt or pinafore dress, white polo, navy school jumper with or without school logo, or school cardigan with or without school logo. Please note: no other jumpers or hoodies may be worn in place of the school jumper. Flat, sensible, safe black shoes (no trainers, no Crocs or similar and no visible branding please) Plain black ankle height boots (no calf or full length boots) and no heels (INCLUDING MUFTI DAYS)



Please ensure the children have their PE kits in school at all times. It's really disappointing for the children when they can't join in the PE session. PE kit is a white t-shirt, black shorts and black pumps. We will send their PE kits home with them for washing at the end of term.

Thank you.

