



The Infant Informative



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Week three, complete. You will see from the next page how busy the children and staff have been. Reception have started learning their first phonics sounds, they'll be able to read whole words soon, watch this space! Speaking of space, year one have been learning about all things space related, ready to celebrate their Space Day in a few weeks. Year 2 have continued their topic about castles, they have started to make their very own!

Unfortunately, parents have been parking dangerously on the roads around our school. Parking on double yellow lines, across drives, in the road - this is extremely dangerous and will result in a child being injured. Cars being parked on double yellow lines will be reported to the council. Leave home a little earlier, find a sensible place to park and walk the remaining way to school. This is safer and healthier!

Next week we will hold some curriculum meetings for our Year 1 and 2 parents. Information regarding this has been sent to you. Attendance is strongly encouraged. We are planning some parent workshops for you, to aid with reading/phonics support at home.

Finally, our amazing PTA Chair Louise has kindly offered to chair the PTA until Christmas. If we do not replace this post, the PTA will sadly need to close. The money the PTA raises allows us to add those special extras to the school curriculum, that our main budget simply doesn't cover. Please, if you are at all interested, make contact with Louise who will gladly give you some more information about the work involved.

Have a great weekend. Best wishes, Mr O'Shea :)

Our Safeguarding Team

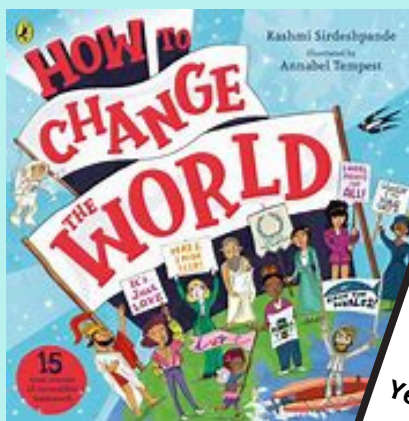
Benedict O'Shea, Headteacher - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Kim Berry Year 2 Teacher - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

A message from our new Assistant Headteacher Miss Saunders

This week's recommended read is *How to Change the World* by Rashmi Sirdeshpande - a collection of inspirational stories detailing the remarkable achievements of 15 people who have changed the world! The story of how the Ozone layer was helped to heal was my personal favourite.

Next Week's author of the week: Jenny Pearson



DIARY DATES

Year 1 Curriculum meeting in school
08:45 - 09:15 on 27/09

Year 2 Curriculum meeting in school
08:45 - 09:15 on 29/09

Reception Curriculum meeting 08:45 -
09:15 on 04/10

Year 1 Space Day on 07/10

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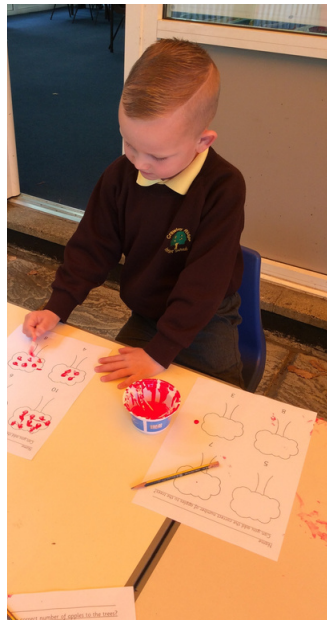
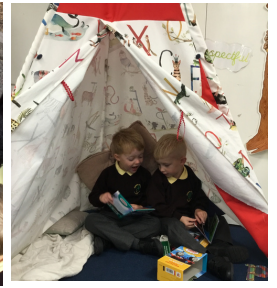
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This week we have been reading *The Worrysaurus* by Rachel Bright and talking about some worries we may have. We made worry dolls to share our worries with.

On Monday, the children witnessed a crime scene in the playground – Humpty had fallen off his wall and the King's Men and Horses had come to help! We have enhanced our learning through activities based around Humpty Dumpty such as nursery rhymes, positional language, number recognition and counting to 5, puzzles (putting Humpty back together again), and fine motor skills that include tracing, cutting and painting. The children started their first phonics lessons this week with phase 2 sounds and are starting to recognise and write the letters: s, a, t, p.

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Year 1 have had a great week. We have loved learning more about Space and have been finding out and writing facts about all the different planets.

In Science we have talked about our 5 senses and have drawn and labelled the features of our faces. We have continued with our Computing work on the laptops and this week the children logged onto their Purple Mash account. The logins for this are in the back of the children's reading diaries so if you can, please do help them to practise logging in at home.

In Maths we have worked on finding one more and one less and enjoyed lots of practical activities to help our learning. Last week we learnt about the primary colours in Art and this week we had great fun mixing colours to make new ones.

YEAR 1

YEAR 2

This week Year 2 have learnt about the external features of a castle, including a gatehouse and the purpose of a portcullis. During DT the children have created a structure from a net and have been very excited to start the construction of their castles. In Maths we have continued our learning of place value, applying our knowledge of number to estimating on a number line. Our English learning this week has been centred around commemorating the life of Queen Elizabeth in a leaflet. We even found out the Queen trained to be a mechanic in Camberley during WW2!





PTA news and clubs

Thank you to everyone who bought a cookie and/or a drink last Friday. The money raised is going towards refurbishing the library and turning it into a Learning Hub.

Our next event is a Quiz Night! This will be on **Friday 14th October** and will include food. It's for adults only, so have a chat with your fellow parents, your friends and family to make up a team. Teams can be 6-8 people. If you'd like to come and don't have a team don't worry! We can put you with a team (we'll make sure they're friendly!)

Tickets will be on sale shortly, so pop the date in your diary.

We also had a PTA meeting this week and the minutes came out today, so please take a look to see what events we have planned this term.

<http://www.pta-events.co.uk/cris>



CLUBS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Hotsteppers Dance Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball 3pm - 4.15pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding Year 1 & 2 3.05pm - 4.00pm	Yoga Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm		Boogie Pumps Drama Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	

Boogie Pumps and Yoga are offering a free trial next week - we have already emailed all parents about this.



Jam Coding is undersubscribed so it cannot run this half term. If there is enough interest, hopefully it will start again after half term - please contact Jam Coding to sign up.

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Reading - Oxford owl

Reading is the most important aspect of any school's curriculum. Reading inspires children, improves vocabulary and speaking, helps with writing and is a genuine life skill that opens the doors for your child's future.

All children will have a book issued to them. This will be in their bookbag. These books will be at your child's reading level. Books should be readable and not too challenging – children should be able to read them successfully. This improves the chances of children developing a love and passion for books. If they are too challenging, research shows reading then becomes a chore and is not as enjoyable for young readers. Children must also be able to comprehend/understand the book they have read.

Children in Reception will start their phonics lessons next week. For now, they will be issued with a wordless book. Children learn how to hold and use a book; turning the pages and talking about the images they see. Parents can ask questions such as:

- What can you see in the picture?
- What number is on the page?
- What do you think will happen next?
- What is your favourite picture - why?
- What part of the story would you change - why?

In addition to children's books in book bags, our school also has an online eLibrary. This allows teachers to allocate groups of books to children. These can be read at home on a laptop, iPad, tablet or mobile device. At school, we will monitor which children are using the eLibrary and prizes will be awarded to those participating consistently.

I cannot encourage and emphasise enough how important it is to read at home with and to your child. We will be running phonics workshops for parents this term to help empower you all to continue supporting your children at home.

Your child's login details are attached inside their reading record book/reading diary.

A full guide has been sent to all parents - please check your ParentMail



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We have a school Facebook and Twitter account. These accounts will post regular updates. Updates will include; photos and videos, events and reminders. Children with current school photo permission will be included on these platforms.



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