



Friday's Newsletter

21st April 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we have had a really good start to the summer term, most children have returned with a positive outlook and have been really working hard. Lets hope we start to see some improved weather as we move into May.

The children in Key stage 2 (Base 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9), are really excited about swimming starting. Swimming starts; 27th April 9.00-12.00. Each base are allocated a time at the pool in Oakengates. Children must ensure they have their towel and their underwear (if they are coming to school with their swimming costume or swimming shorts under their uniform). Children can wear swimming hats and use goggles if they so wish. Please see the times below:

	Base 9	Base 8	Base 5	Base 6	Base 7
Pick Up	09.00	09.25	10.05	10.40	II.IO
Arrive Pool	09.05	09.35	10.15	10.50	II.20
Chil- dren In	09.15	09.45	10.20	10:55	II.25
Children Out of Pool	09.45	10.20	10.50	II.25 II.50	
Leave Pool	9.55	10.30	11.00	11.40	12.00

Can you all please ensure we have sufficient contact details for you should we need to contact you to collect your children.

Also, just to remind you time off during term will not be authorised, unless you have exceptional circumstances.

Have a lovely weekend



Dates for Summer term 2023

Date	Event	Who?
30.3.23	Easter Egg Competition	Everyone
30.3.23	Break up for 2 weeks	Everyone
17.4.23	Return after the Easter break	Everyone
19.4.23	Eid assembly	Year 5/6 to lead
24.4.23	Educational Visit Enginuity	Base 7
25.4.23	Visit from an author - Sarah Griffiths	Everyone
27.14.23	Base 4 open afternoon for parents - 2.30- 3.00	Parents
27.14.23	First swimming session	KS2 - Base 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
28.4.23	Base 7 open afternoon for parents - 2.30- 3.00	Parents
1.5.23	Bank holiday Monday	Everyone
4.5.23	Closed for voting - lessons on TEAMS and Video links	Children
5.5.23	Kings Coronation Celebration - Dress up in Red. White and Blue. Royal concert - each class to take a song and perform and Picnic Lunch.	Everyone
5.5.23	Base 8 open afternoon - 2.30-3.00	Parents
8.5.23	Bank holiday	Everyone
9.5.23	SATS, Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Fri	Year 6 (base 8 and base 9)
10.5.23	Pedestrian training	Year 3 (Base 5)
12.5.23	Pedestrian training	Year 3/4 (Base 6)
19.5.23	Base 9 open afternoon - 2.30-3.00	Parents

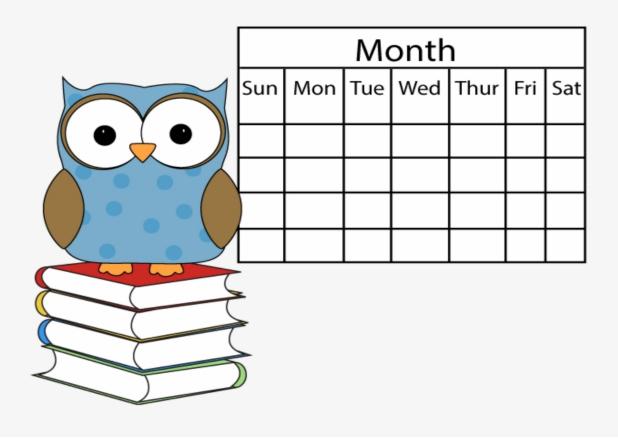


23.5.23	SAS Crew workshops - Keeping ourselves	Everyone
	safe	
26.5.23	Break-up (one week)	Everyone
5.6.23	Return to school	E
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5.6-23-	Multiplication Test	Year 4
16.6.23		
12.6.23-	Phonics Screening	Year I
16.6.23		
I4.6.23	Class Photographs	Everyone
19.6.23	Outdoor activities – Arthog Outreach.	Base 1, 2, 3 and 4
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26.6.23	Sports day	KSI/EYFS - 9.30-10.30
	-L	KS2 - I.40-2.40
5.7.23	Transition day I and Parents meeting -	New reception intake.
	9.30-10.4-5	Arrive 9.30 at reception.
		Parents meeting in school
		hall - 9.35.
6.7.23	Bikeability – group I, Day I	Year 6
7.7.23	Bikeability – group 1, Day 2	Year 6
10.7.23	Transition day 2	New reception intake –
		9.30-10.30
10.7.23	Transition day I	Whole school - 1.30-2.45
13.7.23	Bikeability – group 2, Day I	Year 6
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I ₊ .7.23	Bikeability – group 2, Day 2	Year 6



17.7.23	Transition day 2	Whole school - 1.30-2.45
18.7.23	Leavers assembly for parents	Year 6 - 9.30-11.00
19.7.23	Educational visit – Outdoor adventures	Year 6
20.7.23	Reports to go home	Everyone
21.7.23	Break-up for summer	Everyone

There may be additional dates as we move through the summer term. I will unsure I keep you updated to any changes.

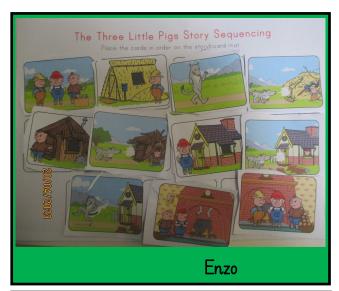


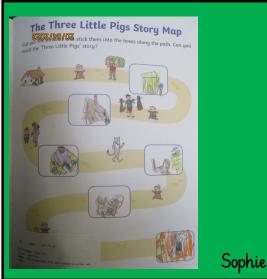
This week in Base

In base I this week our focus text is 'The Three Little Pigs'. We have been busy designing our own houses ready to build next week!

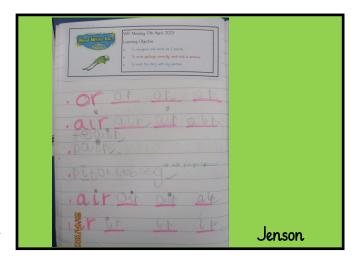


In Literacy we have been sequencing the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We have been creating our own story maps and recalling facts from the story.

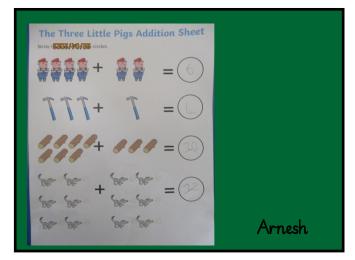


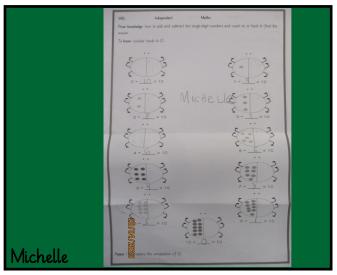


In phonics we follow the RWI Scheme. We have been busy revising and learning our set I and set 2 sounds. We have been holding sentences using capital letters and full stops.

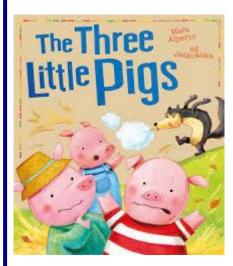


In maths we are looking at counting on from a given number to know how many more we need to make a total. We have also been looking at number sentences and addition.





This week in Base 2...



Our new topic is 'All Creatures Great and Small'. We have been reading the story 'The Three Little Pigs'. We have been focusing on using adjectives to describe the wolf and thinking about how we can use these adjectives in sentences for a 'WANTED' poster!







In science we have been learning about plants. We planted our own cress seeds and made our own investigation to find where seeds grow the best. We put some seeds in the fridge, some in the cupboard and some on the windowsill. We think the seeds on the windowsill will grow the best because they have water, light and heat to grow.

In maths we have been learning about multiplication. We have been putting items into equal groups. We then thought about how many groups we have of how many objects.

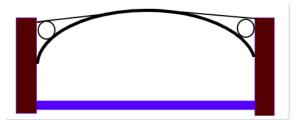
This week in Base 4...

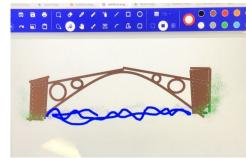
Our Heritage Project

ICT

To kick start our new theme Our Heritage in ICT we drew the Ironbridge. We used two FREE programs *Scratch* and *Paintz* to digitally create the Ironbridge. If you scan the QR code below you can see our project on Scratch.







Maths

This week in Maths we began our unit on Fractions. We learnt about whole and equal parts. We used Numicon to explore the different ways we can divide an amount into equal or unequal parts.







Science

We explored a variety of seeds and bulbs, then organised them into groups to begin our new topic this term in science: plants. We learnt the different parts of seeds and bulbs to solidify the differences.

We also planted a pea seed each to observe the growth over the next 6 weeks. We will take our pea plants home at the end of Summer I term.







Homework of the week award

We have introduced a new award for Friday's award assembly.

This is in recognition of the fabulous homework most of our children produce. It is also to show the importance of doing homework.

We need to ensure that children are equipped to be able to complete homework, as a school we are looking at our homework offer and adapting it to meet the needs of the children. Following on from a pupil voice on homework, many children said they preferred a book to do homework in and not purple mash. We will be reviewing this and changes will be made.

The most important homework your child can complete is reading, this opens the doors to all other learning in school and in life.

Each Base has nominated two children for this week's homework of the week award

Base 1	Michelle	Tyler
Base 2	Thiago	Toby
Base 3	Erin	Ishaan
Base 4	Ismail	Annabelle
Base 5	Lilly	Nikola
Base 6	Sean	Ellysia
Base 7	Lucy	Charlotte
Base 8	Theo	llyas
Base 9	Oliver	Jay



Star Player of the week award

On Monday, Thursday and Friday, all children have PE. This is delivered by the Crossbar coach. Mr Lewis, has recently introduced star player of the week from each base. This is because of the effort they make and the sportsmanship they show. Please see the children chosen for 'Star Player of the week' award this week.

Base 1	lbrahim
Base 2	Heidi
Base 3	Alaya
Base 4	Reegan
Base 5	Halle
Base 6	Michal
Base 7	Leighton
Base 8	Chase
Base 9	Millie



Friday Awards

We have reintroduced awards assembly on a Friday via Microsoft Teams. Children were awarded with their certificates in class. Please see below a list of the children who have received awards this week.

Base	Star of the week	Worker of the week	Whale Rules Champion	Respectful Rangers	Handwriting Heroes	Punctual Panda	Best at- tendance
1	Arnesh	Aniya	Maya	George	Enzo	Firdaws	Clark
		Theo	Alfie	Dosa			
2	Dom	Jenaya	Nathan	Tymo	Kevin	Koray	Heidi
		Olivia	Chloe	Dexter			
3	Alaya	Рорру	Marcey	Мах	Harry	Corbyn	Carter
		Jax	Ishaan	Jared			
	Layton	Freya	Rosie	Theo	Olivia	Leo	Amelia
		Riley	Blake	Prisha			
5	Auriella	Alfie	Jairaj	James	Luna	Leo	Jessica
		Reuben	Bella	Keerat			
6	Kendall	Lexi	Ajai	Kacey	Louie	Luke	Darwin
		Tillie	Mason	Jakub			
7	Davids	Phoebe	Isla	Annie	Betul	Navraj	Thomas
		Daniel	Alexis	Callum			
8	Elliot	Kevins	Chase	Tomasz	Olivia-	Alejandro	Kaylen
		Manraj	Emilia	Lacey	Grace		
q	Maria	Courtney	Elektra	Ethan	Molly	Filip	Ellie
		Mia	Rajvir	Freya			

Best class attendance this week:

KSI ~ Base 4 ~ 100% ~ FANTASTIC

KS2 ~ Base 8 ~ 98% ~ SUPER

Friday Awards

We have introduced a new award in school. It is the cleanliness award. This is to encourage children to take care of their classroom environment and the areas around it. It is to ensure that children are proud of their classroom and it is a welcoming and safe environment to work in.

Each class are given points every time a member of the Senior leadership team, goes into their classroom. They can get 20 points if their classroom is perfect, 10 points if there are some things on the floor and 5 points if it is tidy but a little disorganised.

The class with the most points at the end of the week gets a class certificate and the cleanliness trophy. The children have really embraced this new award and were excited to learn which class had won, this was announced in our Friday's award assembly.

The cleanest class this week went to:

Base









In the news this week

An educational television programme for young people in Afghanistan has been launched by the BBC. The TV show has been created to help children, who have been banned from going to school in the country, and is aimed at children aged 11 to 16. The Taliban group, who took over the country in 2021, have stopped girls over the age of 11 from attending school. The weekly programme is called Dars, which means 'lesson' in Afghanistan's official languages.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your thoughts on the new TV programme for young people in Afghanistan.
- Thinking about how you learn, what is your preferred way, e.g., by listening, writing, doing?
- In what ways would your life be different without school?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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