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# SOUTH DARLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Celebrating Our Week

Friday 13th May 2022

### Infants looking back at last week

We have found out some of the things that a plant needs to grow and be healthy and used our knowledge to plant our own beanstalks (grown from actual beans, not magic ones!). So far there are plenty of roots growing and we are keeping bean diaries to track their progress. We have also used branching databases to help us sort and identify plants. Reception have written similes about people who care for them e.g. "My Dad is as funny as a clown" In Maths they had fun reinvestigating 2D shapes looking at their properties and comparing each shape using chalk in the playground.

### Infants—Looking forward to next week

Reception will be reading "Avocado Baby" and will be looking at fiction and non-fiction books again. The children will compose their own version of the story and design their own front page to their story. KS1 will be learning about food groups and designing healthy and delicious salads to make and taste. Y1 and Y2 will be working on fractions and on a very funny story about a 'terrible, horrible, very bad, no good day!' (If anyone still has their portrait of Queen Elizabeth which the children brought home earlier in the year and they would be willing to lend it to St Mary's Church to go on display as part of their Jubilee celebrations then please could we have them back in school next week.)

### Lower Juniors looking back at last week

In Maths, we have had a recap week on the four operations. We used the column method for addition, subtraction and multiplication and the bus top method to solve division. In Literacy, we have finished our play scripts and have moved onto planning our narratives of the retelling of 'The Egyptian Cinderella'.

### Lower Juniors looking forward to next week

We will continue our exploration of Egyptian Gods and Goddesses as well as continuing our Time unit, looking specifically at five-minute intervals. In Science, we will be recapping the muscles in our body and starting to plan a TV show that shows all our new knowledge over the past few months.

### Upper Juniors looking back at last week

It has been a busy week with the Year 6 children completing their SATs. They have worked incredibly hard and should be very proud of themselves. They were rewarded on Thursday with an ice cream! In between this, we have had a go at making papyrus paper using brown paper and glue which proved to be lots of fun. In Science we have been finding out about inheritance and we have looked at acquired and inherited characteristics. Year 5 have been working on long multiplication and division in Maths.

### Upper Juniors looking forward to next week

We will be finding out about Egyptian Gods in Literacy ready to write non-chronological reports. As well as this, we will finish our papyrus paper and explore tomb paintings and design our own. In Science we will continue our work on Evolution by looking at adaptation. As the summer term moves on, we will be starting to prepare for our school show which the children are very excited about.

**Best Work of the Week**  
was awarded to all the pupils in the infant class, all the pupils in Year 6 and Garin, Denna and Daisy



## House Points

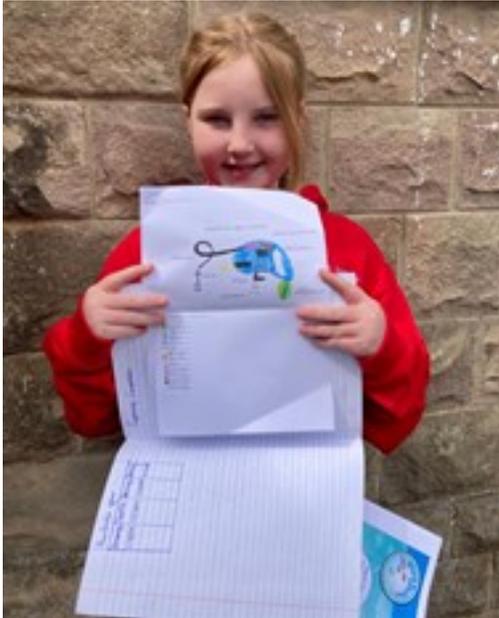
Haddon - 14

Riber— 9

Chatsworth— 16

House Points Prize Winners—

Walter and Leia



## What's on next week

Mon 16th	Singing with Miss Wallwork
Tues 17th	Individual violin lessons with Mrs Basford Dental Survey—Selected infants only
Weds 18th	Swimming Y3/4 Singing with Miss Wallwork
Thurs 19th	Selected Y3/4 Golf Highfields Lumsdale 1pm—3pm Infants Festival Arc Leisure Centre 10am—12noon. Please wear PE kits today
Fri 20th	Juniors Music—please remember instruments PE at the Cricket Club. Please collect children at the normal time from the Cricket Club.

**Engineering Success!** In the midst of a very busy week, the Upper Juniors were delighted to receive results and feedback from the, 'If you were an Engineer what would you do?' competition. We received some fabulous feedback from the engineer who graded our entries with comments such as: 'Students show themselves to be brilliant at recognising others in need.' 'I expect to see some of these on Dragon's Den in a few years.' 'This is a collection of absolutely outstanding ideas!'

We were delighted to read this feedback and that 6 of our children were given the highest grading of 'Distinction'. These were Olivia, Patrick, Alfie, Lilly-Mae, Zoe and Sophia. Their work will be on display at the University of Lincoln during the award ceremony on the 24<sup>th</sup> May.

On Tuesday we received a very exciting phone call to say we had a winner for our region - Bella! We are thrilled that Bella is one of 2 winners in Year 6 for the Central East region. 33,000 children entered the competition in the UK so this is a huge achievement and Bella may even have a prototype of her design made by the University Engineering department.

## Music Stars of the Week

Freya & Lucas

Congratulations to all our Year 2 pupils and Year 6 pupils for completing their SATs this week. Pictured—our Year 6 pupils receiving their leavers hoodies, kindly supplied by FOSDS.



Maisie & Thomas

Isla R & Ruby

Bella & Finlay

SCHOOL GAMES

PE Stars of the Week