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SOUTH DARLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Celebrating Our Week

Friday 14th January 2022

Infants— Looking back at last week

We have been looking at features of traditional stories and comparing the experiences of reading and storytelling. We have done some amazing retelling, with actions, of the story of the Three Little Pigs, read it as a script and created a story map to match. In Maths Y2 children have shown real mastery of numbers to 20 and have been comparing and redistributing equal/unequal groups. We started our 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' topic by talking about our own pets, describing them and why we love them. Reception have had fun acting out "Jack and the Beanstalk". In Maths they excelled at counting in 2's and 10's and dividing piles of biscuits.

Infants—Looking forward to next week

We are going to create our own version of the traditional Three Little Pigs story. Y1s will be adding and subtracting numbers and Y2s will begin multiplication and addition. We will be thinking about what our pets need from us as well as what animals need from their habitats and visiting the plantation to see which creatures we can find there. In RE we will be learning about Christingles and what each element of them symbolizes. Reception will be looking at "Little Red Riding Hood" and will make their own version. In Maths they will be looking at positioning (1st, 2nd, 3rd and last places) by taking part in their own races.

Lower Juniors looking back at last week

In PE, we started to develop our skills in Tennis by practicing the forehand shot and rallying with a partner. In English, we have been rewriting 'The Great Kapok Tree' using excellent adjectives and adverbs to describe different objects and actions in the forest. In Computing we have been coding on Scratch and in Maths we have multiplied two-digit numbers by one-digit number with Y4 progressing to three-digit numbers.

Lower Juniors looking forward to next week

We will edit and publish our rainforest stories before turning them into a picture book and act them out with different animals being played by pupils. In Maths, we will look at division and how the bus stop method is used to divide a big number by a small number. In PE, we will be practicing the backhand shot and building on our gameplay from the last lesson.

Upper Juniors looking back at last week

This week in Year 5 and 6 we have really enjoyed starting our new topic about Rainforests. We have read the book, 'The Great Kapok Tree' which has started us thinking about reasons for and against deforestation. We have then tried to decide which reasons are more valid and important. As well as this, we have been using maps and atlases to locate the rainforests of the world and have started our own world map to show them. In Science we were classifying animals as a start to our animals and plants unit.

Upper Juniors looking forward to next week

Next week we will move on in Literacy to planning a debate where children will represent different groups of people for or against deforestation. This will then lead into writing a balanced argument. In Maths we will be starting our unit of work on fractions and any times tables practise would be really beneficial to help with this work. We will continue to work on our Topic front covers in Art and we will be doing more work on classifying animals in Science.

Best Work of the Week was awarded to Jasmine, Edwin, Zoe, Isla A, Flo, Molly, Thomas, Bella, Garin, Maisie S,



House Points

Haddon - 56

Riber— 80

Chatsworth— 69

**House Points Prize Winners—
Denna & Walter**

What's on next week

Mon 17th	
Tues 18th	
Weds 19th	School swimming Y5/6 10:30am PE Y3/4
Thurs 20th	
Fri 21st	PE Infants & Y5/6 Class music lessons—please remember to bring your instrument



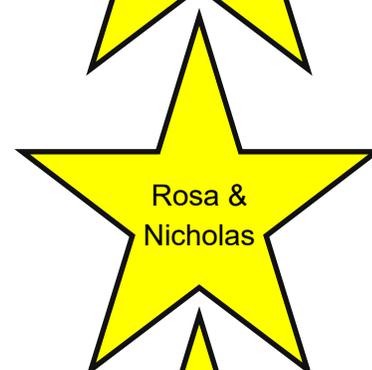
Sports Fixtures and Results

Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics



On Thursday, 12 Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a sports hall athletics competition at Highfields. Throughout the morning, the children all had three field events to take part in and represent our school. These included chest push, javelin and a range of different jumping competitions. In the afternoon, each school competed in different track races including a sprint relay, six lap long distance race and an obstacle race. Our children represented themselves and our school impeccably and Mr Pass was very proud of them all. We came 2nd in the small school's competition and all the children were awarded silver medals.

PE Stars of the Week



INSET DAYS 2022—2023 academic year

4 out of the 5 inset days for the 2022—2023 academic year are confirmed as Thursday 1st September 2022, Friday 2nd September 2022, Monday 28th November 2022 and Monday 27th February 2023. There remains 1 final inset day to be agreed and we hope this will be set after the March Cluster Schools meeting when the shared staff training date has been agreed.

**Inset Day
.. school closed to
pupils**