

Design and Technology Week

Foundation Stage

The Nursery have been busy doing 'Hedgehog' crafts to develop the muscles needed for writing, such as cutting, printing and mark making. We have made hedgehog shaped bread buns and clay hedgehog models. Parents were invited to a special 'Stay and Play' Hedgehog themed session on Wednesday.



Reception have been thinking about their favourite book characters. They talked about why they liked this character and then thought about how they could make it into a puppet. They have made pop up, sock, hand and spoon puppets.



Year 1 and 2

Year 1 have been making gingerbread characters linked to this term's topic around traditional tales and, in particular, the story of the Gingerbread Man.



Year 2 have also used traditional tales as their inspiration for DT week. They have made their own bread and butter from scratch and have then used the bread to build a house in the style of Hansel and Gretel. The houses have then been decorated with fruit as a healthy version.



Year 3 and 4

Year 3 have been investigating bags. We have discussed their function and looked at a wide variety of uses. We have explored materials they are made from and how this relates to their use. We have made some bags using methods from the Stone Age using found materials to pierce holes to thread 'skin' thongs through to create a hunting bag.



Year 4 made a Stone Age village. They used clay to create the stone walls of the hut and then put on a cone roof decorated with animal fur and natural resources.



Year 5 and 6

Year 5 and Year 6 have made moving toys based on their theme, 'The Vikings'. They have learnt how to use a cam to make their toy move and have experimented with different types of cams to see which creates the best effect. They have worked in teams and created some fantastic models and they have recorded their jottings and planning in a homemade scrap book which is also Viking themed.



Dates for your Diary.

Friday 20th October - Break up for half term

Monday 30th October - Training Day

Tuesday 31st October – Children back in school

Thursday 9th November – Class Assembly 6ED

Friday 10th November - Global Assembly - Armistice Day Year 5

Thursday 16th November – Class Assembly 6BC

Thursday 23th November – Class Assembly 6JV

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to come and see us.



Hollybush News



Date – 20th October 2017

A few words from Mrs Robertson

As you can see from the rest of the newsletter, it's been an exciting week in school with all the creative learning that's taken place during D&T week. In addition to this, groups of children from Years 4 and 6 have also been away on residential. I'm sure the residential children will be full of stories of their adventures and accomplishments on return and there will be an update from the residential in the newsletter after half term.

In 2 classes this week every child in the class was awarded a superstar 10 award at the same time. In both classes this was due to fantastic attitudes, behaviour and teamwork - well done EVERYONE in 3SP and 4KG!!!!



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

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FS / KS1	1DN 99.6%	RKM 97.3%	2NC 96.8%
KS2	6JV 99.4%	3SP 98.8%	5SP 98.7%

Overall school attendance for the week
95.7% 😊

Year 6 Blazers

The blazers for Year 6 arrived last week and all the children are looking very smart around school in their blazers.



Please remember that school uniform policy states that children should wear plain black footwear to school and have pumps for indoor wear.

Please check over the half term that your child has the correct footwear for both inside and outside.

Half Term Fun

Kirkstall Abbey

Scarecrow Hunt - Say boo to the scarecrows hiding out across the abbey throughout half term! Can you find them all? Follow the trail, and don't worry, they're not too spooky.

Hocus Pocus Cinema - This year Sneaky Experience are showing the classic 90's film Hocus Pocus – featuring talking cats, big teeth and Thackery Binx. (£10 adults and £8 child)

Rainbow Factory

Who's ready for a week of magic, mischief and mayhem? It's the week before Halloween - so what better time to explore stories featuring some of our favourite witches, wizards and winged beasts?

<https://www.rainbowfactorykids.com/half-term>