

Tuesday 6th March 2018

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Dear parents,

The children in the Primary Provision have engaged in a variety of exciting learning experiences in the first half of the Spring term. The topics taught have really captured their imagination and we are pleased to have introduced both yoga and swimming this half term to further the children's physical development.

Reception

Last week the children in reception began Yoga with Miss Oakley. Miss Oakley did an introductory lesson in which the children learned breathing techniques and practised mindfulness. Over the coming half term they will learn and practice a variety of movements



which will support their wellbeing and physical development. It was lots of fun too!

Year 1

During the Spring term the children in Year 1 have been learning about fairy tales in literacy and topic lessons which they have enjoyed immensely. The children were given homework to create a fairy tale castle and the quality of the castles they have created has been amazing. They have worked really hard on them and have clearly used their imaginations and their knowledge of fairy tales learnt in class to create their own idea of what these would look like. The prize assemblies for the homework will be this Friday.



Year 2

In Science last half term the children learned about growth and change, looking closely at seeds and discovering what happens to them when they start to grow. They investigated seeds using a magnifying glass and sorted seeds into groups. They then planted seeds in a plastic bags with water and cotton wool so that they could watch them grow. They saw the seed germinate and what happened to the seed when this happened. They will continue learning about growth and change this half term but this time with a focus on humans.



Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about tropical rainforests in Geography this half term. In class they learnt about the climate in the rainforest and the different layers of a rainforest and the plants and the animals that live in this habitat. The children learnt a great deal about the geography of the rainforest in class and have applied their new knowledge to create both a fabulous and informative group display in class and Rainforest models for home work.



Swimming

This week the children in year 4 had their first swimming lesson at the University of Birmingham Swimming Pool. It was a fantastic experience for the children who were extremely excited about being in the pool. The facilities at the pool are of an exceptional standard and all the teaching staff who attended with the children were impressed by the swimming instructors at the pool who were highly skilled. We are all looking forward to continuing swimming lessons throughout the coming year.



Canteen

The school dining hall renovation is now complete and the new menu has been introduced. The canteen looks fantastic and the children have enjoyed eating in the new space. The new menus have been given to parents and shared on the website and the menus have also been shared with the children at school so they are familiar with the new choices available.

Homework

The children in years 1 to 4 can earn house points for completion of homework tasks. The number of points per house will be shared with the children in Friday assemblies and the winning house at the end of term will be win the House Cup!

Spelling homework is given out termly, these are the word lists your child is working on for the half term. In addition to this children will be given maths homework every Friday to support the mental maths and arithmetic taught in class. This should be returned to the class teacher the following Wednesday.

Children are also given the opportunity to complete half termly homework tasks that are based around the theme taught that term. Prizes will be given out for the children who have demonstrated one of our school's core values when completing their homework.

Parking

A polite reminder that parents must not use the staff car park to park to drop off and collect their child. Police have advised that parents must not obstruct Hay Green Lane. For the safety of our children, please ensure you park elsewhere and be considerate of local residents.

Upcoming dates

Friday 9th March World Book Day

Primary Parent English drop in 9:00 -10:00am

This has now changed from Monday 5th March to Monday 12th March

Primary Parent English drop in 9:00 -10:00am

This has now changed from Tuesday 6th March to Tuesday 13th March

EYFS Coffee Morning. This has now changed from
Friday 9th of March to Friday 16th March at 9:00am

Year 2 SATs information meeting Thursday 15th march 3:30pm

Sports Relief Friday 23rd March

EYFS & Primary Parents' Consultation Evening 28th March 4:00 - 7:00pm

There will also be a SATs drop in session for parents who are unable to attend the meeting on Thursday 15th march