



Following in the footsteps of Jesus, we learn, love and laugh together

Friday 7th October

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who took part in our CAFOD family fast day, brighten up autumn.

This time we were considering the needs within our local community; with a collection for our Frodsham Foodbank. Thank you to our CAFOD group for organising this event, as well as leading our Harvest assembly this afternoon.

Yesterday, our focus was clearly on our literacy skills. The children celebrated National Poetry day with an appreciation of poetry followed by creating and illustrating their own poems. Parents are warmly invited to our Poetry Showcase after school on Monday.

Thank you to those parents who attended our Phonics Workshop yesterday afternoon. We hope you found it a beneficial insight into how phonics is supported in school and the impact on early reading and writing skills.

Bags2School has been a great success, thank you to everyone who supported. Thank you also to our FoSL group for organising this event. FoSL are a wonderful group of parents. If you would like to find out more about what they offer, why not drop in to one of their meetings, they are an informal gathering and a great way to meet new parents.

Their next meeting is on Friday 4th November 2.30pm

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Lower than 90% Attendance	90-95% Attendance	96-100% Attendance
	Class 6	Reception Class 1 Class 2 Class 3 Class 4 Class 5

Overall Attendance this week **97.1%**
Across the school, **32 minutes** of learning time was lost this week through late arrivals.

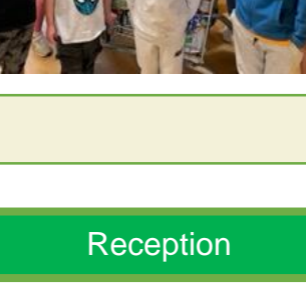
Don't underestimate the importance of 100% attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

98% attendance means **4** school days missed
95% attendance means **10** school days missed
90% attendance means **19** school days missed
80% attendance means **38** school days missed
5 minutes late each day means **3** school days missed

Please be aware that requests for children to take holidays during term time will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

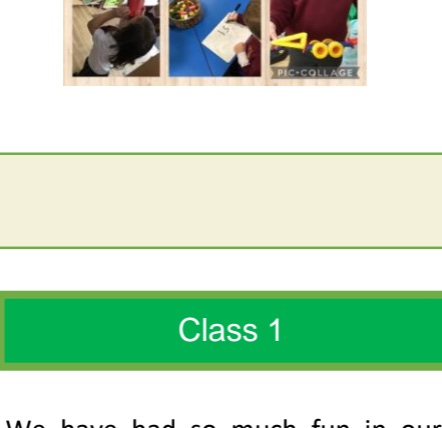
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Thank you to everyone for their Bags2School donations, we had a great response and raised £93.60.



CAFOD – Harvest Donations

The CAFOD Group would like to thank everyone for bringing in their donations for Harvest.

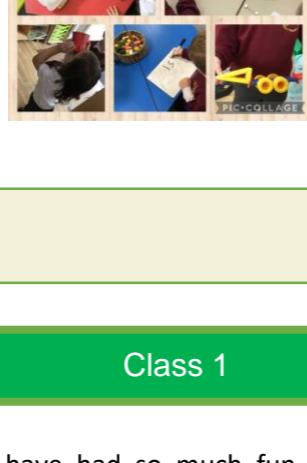


Reception

It has been another busy week of exploring and learning for our Reception Class. It has been World Space Week this week and we have really enjoyed learning about space and creating constellations using marshmallows.

We have also continued with Harvest festival celebrations and, after hearing about combine harvesters in a poem, some of our classmates created their own using the small construction resources.

Alongside all of the special celebrations this week, we have also been working with numbers up to 3 and sorting the 'rubbish' into different types of materials.



Class 1

We have had so much fun in our class this week! Our week started with an investigation into the different types of materials there are and we enjoyed exploring the classroom, looking for examples of the materials we had discussed.

There was a disaster in the 'Lost and Found office' and we had to write labels to match to the animals in our English lesson.

On Thursday, we enjoyed reading different types of poetry and this inspired us to create our own acrostic poems and create beautiful artwork. This was one of the highlights of the week for many along with exploring space and making constellations with marshmallows to celebrate World Space Week.



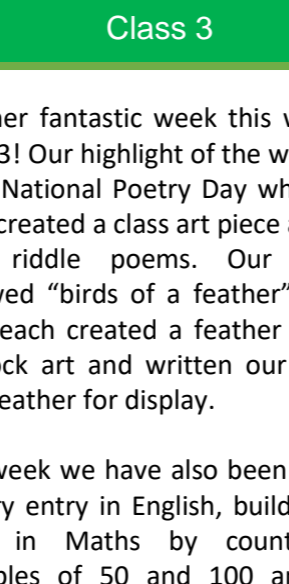
Class 2

What a busy week it has been for class 2! We have had some special visitors and enjoyed sketching our teddies from home.

As part of space week we have been finding out about the planets and our solar system.

In Maths we have been able to use greater than and less than symbols to identify bigger and smaller numbers. Now we can even position these correctly on a number line.

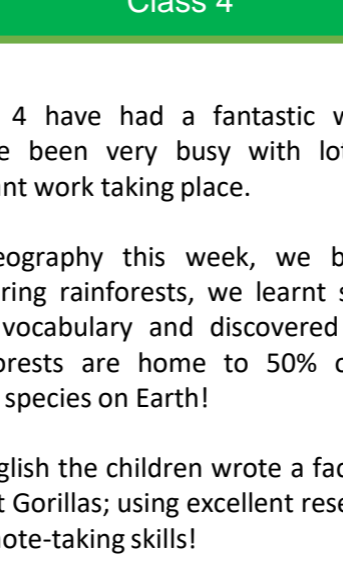
We really enjoyed national poetry day. We had a chance to create our own diamante poem for a competition and enjoyed performing these poems to the class. As part of this we also created artwork inspired by our diversity poem and cannot wait to see this on display.



Class 3

Another fantastic week this week in Class 3! Our highlight of the week has been National Poetry Day where we have created a class art piece and our own riddle poems. Our theme followed "birds of a feather" so we have each created a feather for our peacock art and written our poems on a feather for display.

This week we have also been writing a diary entry in English, building our skills in Maths by counting in multiples of 50 and 100 and role playing a Baptism for our religion lessons. Excellent work this week Class 3!



Class 4

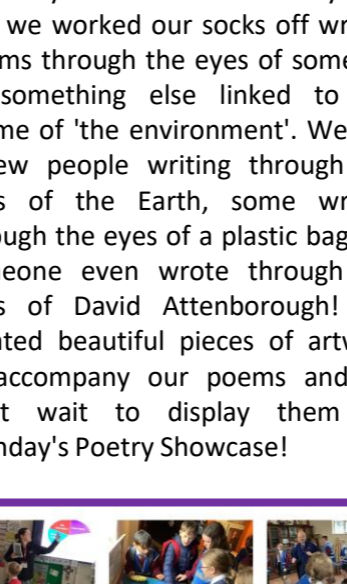
Class 4 have had a fantastic week. We've been very busy with lots of brilliant work taking place.

In geography this week, we began exploring rainforests, we learnt some new vocabulary and discovered that rainforests are home to 50% of all living species on Earth!

In English the children wrote a fact-file about Gorillas; using excellent research and note-taking skills!

On Thursday, we celebrated National Poetry Day. Our focus in Class 4 was space, so the children produced space-themed poems and some phenomenal art work!

In addition, we continued our work on place value in maths, in religion we thought about the challenges Abraham and Sarah faced and this week's prayer & liturgy was about Harvest.



Class 5

This week in Class 5 has been a blast! The class have been producing some fantastic work all week. We enjoyed plotting accurate and well presented graphs in Science.

We have been increasing our violin skills, performing difficult pieces of music each week.

On Friday we took part in the Harvest assembly, discussing the importance of giving and sharing throughout our lives.

Class 6

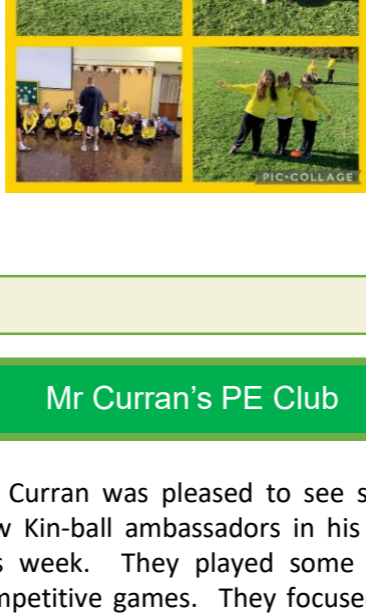
Another great week in Year 6 this week- we have been non-stop since Monday!

On Tuesday, we went to Greenfield Valley for a WWII workshop. We learned all about the key events during the war and finished our session by learning how to do the 'Lambert Walk' and the 'Bunny Hop' dances. Despite the rain, everyone had a great time!

Thursday was National Poetry Day and we worked our socks off writing poems through the eyes of someone or something else linked to the theme of 'the environment'. We had a few people writing through the eyes of the Earth, some writing through the eyes of a plastic bag and someone even wrote through the eyes of David Attenborough! We created beautiful pieces of artwork to accompany our poems and we can't wait to display them for Monday's Poetry Showcase!

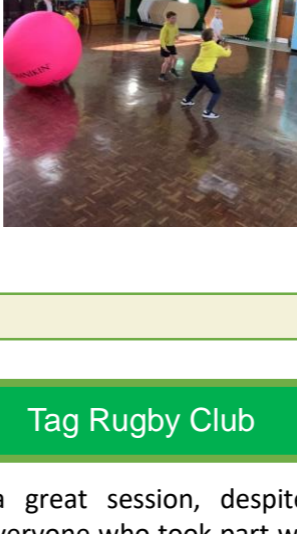
Girls Football

Coaches Sam and Sam commented on how much the girls enjoyed this after school session. It was great to see girls from Y2-6 taking part in football activities. They all worked with a football on skill and technique and started using these skills in game situations. Lots of red faces showed how active the session was.



Mr Curran's PE Club

Mr Curran was pleased to see some new Kin-ball ambassadors in his club this week. They played some very competitive games. They focused on throwing, catching and teamwork skills.



Tag Rugby Club

What a great session, despite the rain! Everyone who took part worked on their dodging, footwork and communication skills. Great to see those who attend this club selected for an external sporting event at Helsby Community Sport Club where they showed off their newly found skills.



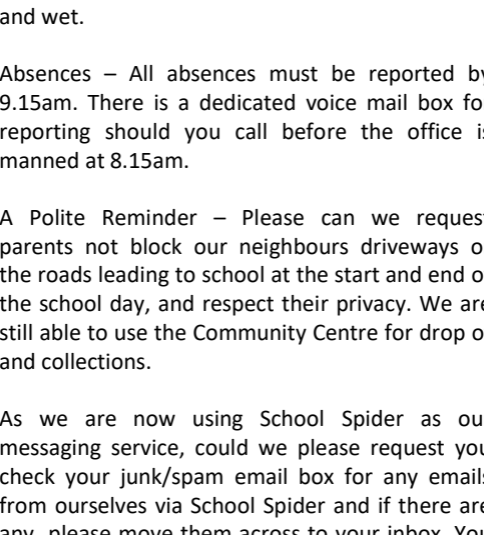
Chester Mini Marathon

Congratulations to those who took part in the Chester Mini Marathon at the weekend. The medals and T-Shirts look fab! Special mentions to any of our parents who took part in the marathon.



Choir

Thank you to the choir for singing us into assembly this morning.



Other News

Please can you ensure that your child comes to school with a coat now that the weather is cold and wet.

Absences – All absences must be reported by 9.15am. There is a dedicated voice mail box for reporting should you call before the office is manned at 8.15am.

A Polite Reminder – Please can we request parents not block our neighbours driveways or the roads leading to school at the start and end of the school day, and respect their privacy. We are still able to use the Community Centre for drop of and collections.

As we are now using School Spider as our messaging service, could we please request you check your junk/spam email box for any emails from ourselves via School Spider and if there are any please move them across to your inbox. You should only need to do this once and your email account should then recognise the email as not junk. Thank you.

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