



Headteacher's Comment

As usual this week has been busy but I always set aside time for class visits which can include formal monitoring visits or formal lesson observations but many visits are usually opportunities for me to talk to the children about their learning and for them to share their class work with me. This week I observed a fantastic lesson in Class 1 which was led by Mrs Metcalfe, spent time with Mr McGuire's class who were learning about the astronaut, Neil Armstrong. I also visited Class 2 who were learning about fractions and was impressed with the range of differentiated tasks. When I visited Class 4 all the children were enthusiastic as they learnt about facts relating to the 'Sun, Earth and Moon' in their Geography lesson. Below are a few photographs recording this week's classroom activities:



Star Pupils

Congratulations to our Star Pupils this week!

Class 1

Alfie McBride - for choosing to write independently and trying so hard with new phonics sounds.

Adam Carter - for trying really hard with his writing.

Class 2

Amelia C. - for working more independently during lessons.

Sam P. - for great knowledge and imagination during story writing.

Class 3

Ruqayyah Naz - for reading superbly during our Guided reading session

Temí Adeniji - for producing an engaging timeline

Class 4

William Greaves - for working hard on handwriting.

Barney Morrison - for excellent work in the practice assessments.

Class News

What has your child been doing this week?

Class 1

Class one have enjoyed making a pictogram of how we travel to school and have been looking more at transport and vehicles. We have been learning how to partition 10 objects in different ways and have created number sentences/calculations to match our objects. We have all been brilliant mathematicians this week, class one staff are really impressed. We have been making our own vehicle books and have written some wonderful sentences. We've really enjoyed looking through each other in the book corner.

[*reminder - class one reading workshop Wed 30th, 9-10am*](#)

Class 2

Class 2 have been writing adventure stories this week in Literacy and in Maths have been learning about fractions. We all know which toppings we would now put on 1/4, 1/2 and 3/4 of our pizzas! In Science, we have been learning about parts of our body and in Topic we have continued with our work on transport, linking it with Art and using different thicknesses of pencil to draw a black and white picture of a train.

Class 3

This week class 3 have been looking at fractions in Maths. In Literacy we have been looking at chronology and produced timelines of Neil Armstrong's life. We have studied the Druids in History and discussed how different people's versions of events may not always represent the whole truth.

Class 4

This week we have continued to read *Friend or Foe* and have written our own scenes based on the story, using a mixture of speech, action and description. We have also been learning about different types of conjunctions and using them to create complex sentences. In Science, we compared the relative sizes of the Sun, Earth and Moon and in Geography we conducted research into different cities of the UK. Throughout the week we have also been completing a variety of practice assessment tasks which all of the children tackled with determination and maturity - well done to you all!

(Please check out the **Spring Term newsletters** for Classes 1-4 on our Class pages on the school website)

School Attendance

Our school Attendance target is 97%. Well done **Class 4** for achieving **100%** attendance this week!

Class 1 96.92%

Class 2 98.13%

Class 3 99.31%

Class 4 100%

House Points

Congratulations to the winning House for receiving the largest total of house points this week!

Eagles: 66

Falcons: 58

Vultures: 77

Condors: 88

Q. What followed the Loch Ness Monster?

A. A whopping big tail.

We have been celebrating Burns Night this week in Kestrels. The children have decorated a Scottish flag using coloured tissue paper. They have created their own tartan by weaving coloured card to make some fabulous patterns. We have cut out, coloured in and stuck together a Scottish bagpiper. Some of the younger children enjoyed making the Loch Ness Monster complete with a Scottish bonnet and there has been lots of colouring in, word searches and quizzes.

Mrs J. Tempest, Kestrels Manager



Dress Down day

Friday 15th February 2019 £1 – This will be used to purchase the ingredients such as tea bags, fresh coffee, bread, milk, sandwich fillings etc. If you can bake or help over the weekend please speak to Laura Fyfe, Julia Cooper, Vicky Hargreaves, Diane Shorter, Laura Collett-Bradley or Becky McBride.

FoH Upcoming dates

Event	Date
Valentines Disco	6 – 7:30pm, Thursday 7 th February 2019
Fewston Village Hall	23 rd and 24 th February 2019
Easter Bake	Wednesday 17 th April 2019
Fish and Chip Night	Friday 5 th July 2019
Summer Fair	22 nd June 2019
Parent Night Out	11 th May 2019

Star Table

This week's Star Table winners! (Thank you to our two brilliant Chefs in the school kitchen for preparing the table).



Dates for the diary

Wednesday 30 th January 2019	9am to 10pm	Class 1 Reading Workshop
Wednesday 30 th January 2019	all day	Year 5 – dental care survey
Wednesday 30 th January 2019	2.50pm	Class 1 - Mystery reader
Friday 1 st February all day		British Values Day Classes 1-4
Monday 11 th February 2019	2.50pm	Class 1 - Mystery reader
Friday 15 th February 2019	all day	Non-uniform £1 for cake ingredients
Friday 15th February 2019		Last day of Spring 1 term
Monday 25th February 2019		School re-opens for Spring 2 Term

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Mr Dale Norris BA (Hons) QTS
Headteacher





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