

Right start : Bright Future

Friday 27th January 2023

## Message from the Headteacher

The Infant children looked fabulous in their Monster Phonics outfits this morning. Thank you for helping them to do this. The children really enjoy learning to read with these fun monsters.

The teachers who are part of the NEU union have not all decided if they are striking. It is a very difficult decision for them to make, and they do not need to tell me until the day itself. I understand that this is frustrating for parents who are trying to arrange child care.

At the moment I know about these classes :

**CLOSED: Moonstone, Topaz, Lapis, Turquoise.**

**OPEN: Maple, Obsidian, Amber, Amethyst, Sapphire, Year 2 and Year 5.**

I will let you know about the other classes, as soon as I know by ParentMail. Please be prepared for your children to be at home just in case.

Year 2 children will need their wellington boots for their geography trip on Monday. If you need more time to pay for this trip, please let the office know. We understand that January is a tough month . Please don't forget to apply for free school meals and receive vouchers and in the holidays and other help.

## Important Dates

- 30.01.23 Year 2 Gordon Browne Trip
- 30.01.23 Year 6 SATS Meeting 3:45pm & 5pm Junior Hall
- 31.01.23 Year 3 Roman Workshop
- 01.02.23 & 02.02.23 Year 5 Gurdwara Trip
- 01.02.23 NEU Teacher Strike Day



## Gold Merit Awards

Sarah ( Sapphire) & Shahzad ( Moonstone)

### **What have we been up to this week?**

This week we have been reading the story about the Little Red Hen. We have been talking about how the animals in the story were not helpful and then we shared lots of ways that we can be kind and help each other in the Nursery. The children also had lots of fun playing with flour, making their very own Little Red Hens and acting out the story of the Little Red Hen using props.

The children have also been busy playing hairdressers in our role play area– the children have loved this activity and it was lovely listening to the language that they were using when styling hair!

On Friday we had our Monster Phonics day and it was fantastic to see the children dress up as their favorite monster and thank you so much to the parents for all your efforts with their outfits!

### Merits this week

Yasin for following instructions and making his own Little Red Hen

Akshaada and Falisha for playing nicely at the hairdressers

Lavia for lovely mark making at the writing table

Taybah for making a wonderful hen at the art table

Amaal for good listening

Ayaan for excellent sitting at carpet time

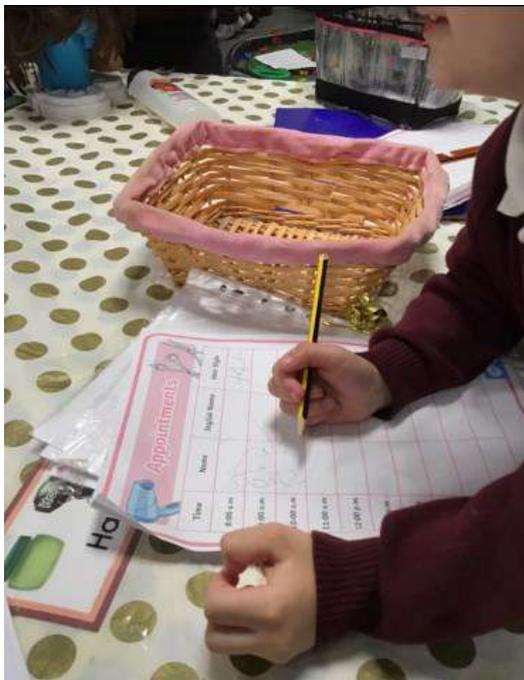
Asrah for becoming more confident and joining in with activities

Aarav for excellent blending when reading

Karthik and Ibrahim for recognizing rhyming words

Ava for making a beautiful hen

## Photos from our week



## Reminders/Support

Please check Tapestry for important messages and observation updates regularly.

### What have we been up to this week?

This week, we have continued learning through the story- Little Red Riding Hood. We have enjoyed writing 'Get well soon' cards for Red Riding Hood's Grandma.

The sound we have been learning is 'oo' and we have been focusing on words like look, book, cook and hood. The children had lots of fun playing the buried treasure game on the monster phonics site, sorting real and alien words.

We have also been learning all about birds and how to help them in the wintertime. The children enjoyed using binoculars and spotting the birds in the Reception garden. We identified bird calls in our music lesson and explored our voices by copying different bird sounds.

From this week's Maths lessons, the children are now using mathematical language to compare and order objects by length and width.

### Merits

#### Oak Class

Zaina for exploring the classroom activities and getting stuck in with all the tasks.

Mirha for consistently setting a good example in Oak class on the carpet.

Aarvi for contributing to lessons by putting her hand up.

Zayn for putting his coat on independently and following a sequence of instructions.

#### Birch Class

Abdullah for being so creative when having a go at art activities and always trying so hard.

Idris for trying to remember that it is good to share.

Victoria for trying really hard with her writing, especially during phonics sessions.

Zephan for being so brave while mummy is away.

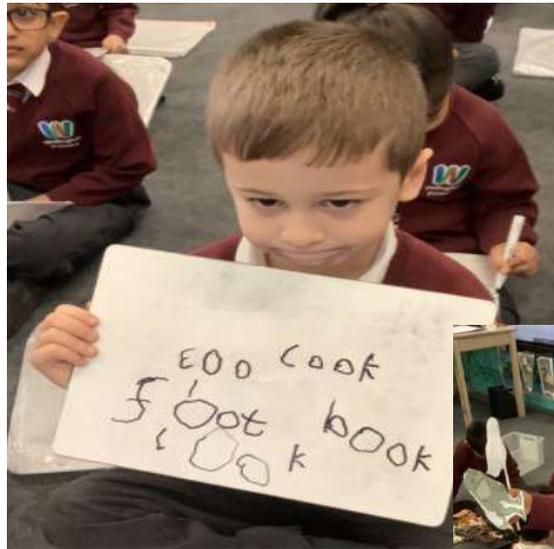
#### Elm Class

Elijah for being a really encouraging member of Elm class and being great at giving positive feedback to his peers and teachers.

Rayan and Bryson for joining in with the Winter bird count and thinking of the welfare of the birds.

Leonardo for his enjoyment of both reading and writing and always looking for opportunities to write.

## Photos from our week



## Reminders

Please bring your child to school with their book bag every day.

Your child also needs to arrive with a **named water bottle**, **named coat** and **waterproof black school shoes** every day please.

### What have we been up to this week?

This week in Year 1 we have finished our book on 'Where the Wild Things are'. We have enjoyed writing about them. In maths we have learnt about doubling. We enjoyed monster phonics day!

### Merits

#### Beech Class

Declan and Ralston for their excellent doubling in math's and completing math's challenges. Keep it up!  
Bogdan for his excellent writing and comparing about the story 'Where the Wild Things are'. Well done!  
Mahira and Alina for always helping and supporting their peers. Keep it up!  
Zain for working well with the Bee-Bot in ICT and giving the Bee-Bot instructions to follow. Keep it up!

#### Maple Class

Navraj—for super listening and working well in all subjects.  
Stanislaw—for working well independently.  
Amaya—for a super description of her own wild thing for her English homework, and going on Doodle Maths the most as well!  
Chanroop—for improved effort completing her homework tasks.  
James—for working well with others at playtime.  
Bilal—for using his phonic knowledge to spell words.

#### Willow Class

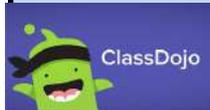
Ella and Jenicea—for creating a lovely Where The Wild Things mask for their English Homework.  
Sankalp—for writing lovely sentences in his spelling book.  
Advika, Shawnveer and Anika—for independently working out the doubles of numbers in maths.

#### Ebony Class

Abhiram—for following instructions during gymnastics and working to the best of his ability—keep it up!  
Aarav—for his excellent phonics contribution this week—superstar!  
Adam I—for writing descriptive sentences using the conjunctions and, but and whereas—great work!  
Hoorain—for her great art work inspired by Piet Mondrian—well done!  
Rithvik and Ivana—for consistently getting 10/10 in spellings every week—keep it up!

# Wellington Weekly

## Photos from our week



### Class Dojo

Beech — 890 Maple – 855 Ebony - 841

Willow– 862

### Reminders

**Homework is due on Monday 30th January 2023.**

**Reminder—Please bring your book bag in every day. Children still have seven days to complete reading tasks but the day new books and tasks are sent out has changed. Spellings will be sent out on the usual day.**

**Thank you for all the lovely costumes for Monster Phonics day. The children all had a wonderful day thinking about the monsters and their monster sounds!**

### **What have we been up to this week?**

This week we have been learning to tell the time. We have been telling the time to half past, quarter too and past. We have also been creating our own poems based on 'The Sound collector' poem. We performed our poems using sound effects. In science we wrote some instructions 'how to grow cress' and planted our own seeds. In topic we have been comparing hot and cold countries looking at the landscapes, animals and temperature. In art we used buttons to create an image.

### Merits

#### Aspen class

Claudia for trying extremely hard to identify 2D shapes.

Elisabeth and Shameera for their great work when adding buttons to hot air balloon design in Art.

Ksitija for showing resilience in Maths while comparing 2D and 3D shapes.

Rihaan and Anoud for working extremely hard on their handwriting.

#### Pine Class

Ruhan and Vihaan—for great work when adding buttons to their hot air balloon design!

Syna and Vidhi—for great work in maths when telling the time on the clock.

Adhithya—for excellent work when creating your own version of the Sound Collector poem!

Osman—for working hard in science when identifying the equipment needed to grow a plant.

#### Chestnut Class

Tobias—for his fantastic focus and concentration in our English lessons when writing our soundscape poems.

Avyukt and Zahra—for their reflective and scientific thinking when predicting what would happen in our science experiment.

Macie and Lily—for their brilliant effort in our maths lessons when reading the clock.

Sian—for her hard work in Topic when describing the differences in hot and cold places.

#### Sycamore Class

Kushal—for writing a fantastic poem about the sounds in Wellington, well done for rhyming!

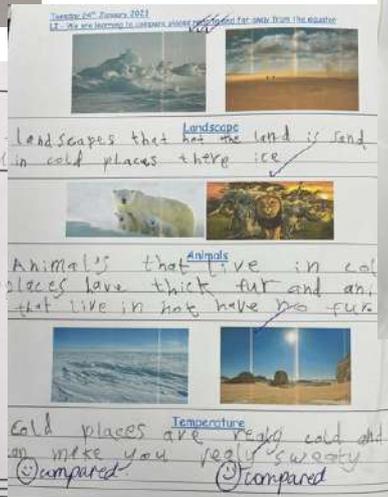
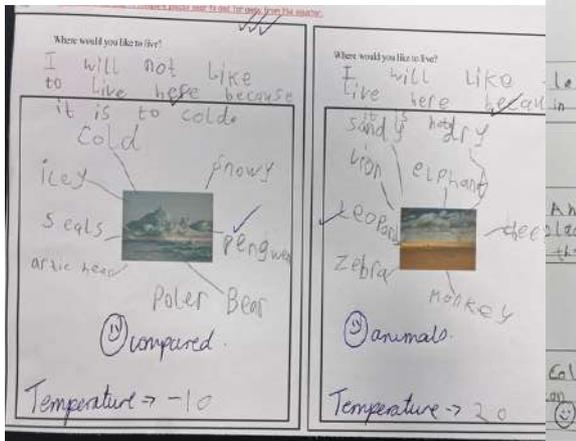
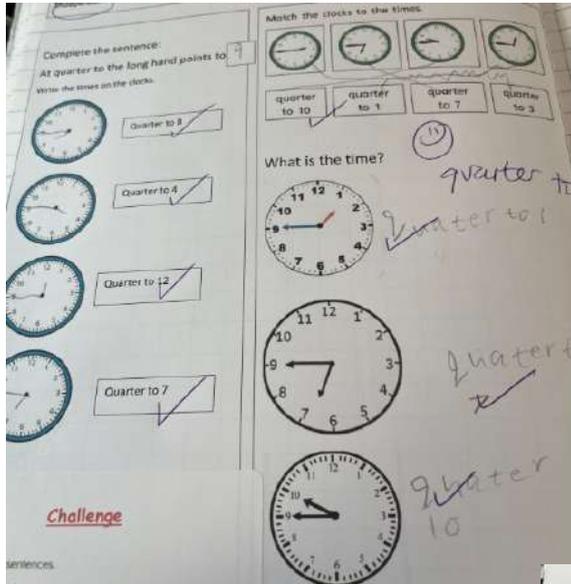
Giann—for performing his sound poem with such enthusiasm and a loud clear voice!

Mohammed & Ridha—for having a positive attitude at school and always coming into school with a smile!

Georgia—for being a kind and considerate member of Sycamore class!

Jigar—for working hard during maths when telling the time, well done!

## Photos from our week



**Class Dojo**  
 Aspen— 859 Pine— 902 Chestnut— 785 Sycamore—922

### Reminders

**30th January—Aspen and Pine Gordon Browne Centre Trip**

**31st January Chestnut and Sycamore Gordon Browne Centre Trip**

### What have we been up to this week?

Year 3 were introduced to our new text *The Firework Maker's Daughter* and were engaged from the word go. Pupils had to persuade Lila in her dilemma to become a firework maker using a lovely dramatic technique called *Conscience Alley*. In Mathematics we began our new topic of measurements, focusing on centimetres, millimetres and metres. Please do encourage your child to practice measuring objects in mm and cm at home. In Topic, we made comparisons between our homes today and those homes during the Roman Era.

### Merits

#### Topaz Class

Parmpreet and Isla—for their excellent comprehension skills in English this week based on our new class text 'The firework maker's daughter'.

Cinzia—for receiving positive feedback from her violin teacher making excellent progress. Well done!!

Nova—for using her prior knowledge in RE and making really good inferences from clues of a image of 'The Western Wall'. Excellent!

Kavin—for is thoughtful participation during carpet time and always eager to learn. Keep it up!!

#### Turquoise Class

Azmat—for exceptional skill and technique during line drawing in Art.

Dumitru—for perseverance during reading comprehension in English. You tried extremely hard to retrieve information from the text.

Riyon—for great work in Science investigating shadows, what they are and what makes them. As well as exploring what happens when the light source moves.

Erika—for determination and perseverance during her independent reading for her purple task book.

Devansh—for perseverance during reading comprehension in English. You tried extremely hard to retrieve information from the text.

Amyra—for great work in Science investigating shadows, what they are and what makes them. As well as exploring what happens when the light source moves.

#### Lapis Class

Zahra and Presha for great facts about the western wall and the significance it has on Jews.

Sachman and Adelina for their wonderful line drawing in art this week—well done!

Aaran and Rina for comparing Roman homes to their own homes and describing the differences.

#### Sapphire Class

Nicolas, Amani and Leon for fabulous work in maths, accurately measuring objects in centimetres and millimetres.

Shanzay for superb work in science in our recent science investigation on light sources and shadows.

Viyana for her great poster for her reading task on interesting facts about our body.

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"think of your father"



"it could be a dangerous journey"



## Class Dojos

Lapis— 1125

Topaz— 1096

Turquoise— 975

Sapphire— 1408

## Reminders

Please also ensure your child brings their book bag to school every day. Also, please remember to make payment towards the Roman Workshop which is taking place next Tuesday. Thank you

### **What have we been up to this week?**

In English this week, the children have been drafting and constructing newspaper reports.

In Maths this week, we have concluded our multiplication and division unit of learning and have begun our new unit of measurement and length.

In Science this week, we have started exploring sound. The children have identified parts of the ear and have explored how sound travels through the ear! We also completed a super fun, but smelly, workshop all about digestion.

### Merits

#### Amber Class

Maya and Snyder— for fantastic effort to complete their end of unit assessment on multiplication and division applying all their learning from this term.

Saanvi and Anish—for superb participation in the Science workshop exploring digestion using real life examples.

Amber and Wilson—for their excellent effort to write a newspaper report on the devastating events of the Great Kapok Tree.

Chrisa and Edgar—for their great presenting skills when showing the class their rainforest projects they had completed at home.

#### Amethyst Class

Aiza I and Bani for their great participation in the year 4 science workshop, where they learned more about the digestive system.

Smrithi and Neev for their amazing newspaper reports in English, where they challenged themselves to include conjunctions and adverbs.

Atiksh and Harshvardhan for showing resilience in their English work, when writing a newspaper report. Sevastien for his hard work in maths, when striving to work more independently.

#### Obsidian Class

Ameen—for his amazing attitude and consistent contribution in guided reading this week.

Yasha and Kenishca—for working incredibly hard to draft and construct their newspaper report using all the correct features.

Jugaad—for his enthusiasm whilst asking questions and participating in activities during the Science digestive system workshop.

Artiom—for working hard to investigate parts of the ear using new scientific vocabulary.

#### Moonstone Class

Ikram—for his fantastic explanation on how sound travels round the different parts of the ear, before being sent as an electrical signal to the brain.

Sehan & Sienna—for working well together in a group during our science workshop on digestion.

Atharva—for recalling the different features of a newspaper report and explaining each of their importance.

Jaymin—for his hard work and effort when learning melodies on the ukulele with Mr Brown.

Vinuga—for his fantastic reading task where he has showed his understanding of what he read by accurately using PEE in his answers.

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### Class Dojos

Obsidian— 1000

Amber— 1064

Amethyst— 1436

Moonstone— 1511

### Reminders

Homework is set on Thursday and due back on Monday, please ensure it has been completed.

The children should be on TTRS daily to help them develop fluency with their times tables.

Purple task books need to be in school daily please.

This week in year 5, we have started drafting our final setting descriptions of Timbavati in English—the children have used a range of writing features that we have covered over the term such as; show me not tell me, personification and powerful adjectives. In Maths we have started our new topic of fractions and have explored how to multiply fractions. In art this week we have continued working on our collages which you will be able to see further down! We are looking forward to our trip to the Gurdwara next week!

### Merits

#### Diamond Class

Trisha G for working very hard this week to include many descriptive writing features in her setting description draft

Lily for showing excellent understanding of multiplying unit fractions by an integer.

Ibrahim for using bar models this week to show the effect of multiplying unit and non unit fractions by an integer.

Daria for using the features of an explaining text to write an explanation of what it is like to live near the equator.

#### Emerald Class

Rustam- For his excellent skills demonstrated in art this week where we discussed composition and proportion.

Dymtro- For the excellent progression he has made in Maths this year.

Vyshnavi- For her positive behavior for learning throughout the day, she is extremely self motivated!

Srisha and Laasya- For the terrific input in English this week when sharing vocabulary from our class text.

Aarav- For his creative 'show me not tell me' in English where he used figurative language.

#### Jade Class

Yuhayb and Laysha for creating a dance in pe using space to change how their performance looks.

HariPriya for working hard in English to write a setting description which included lots of writing techniques.

Azaan for his effort in maths to solve fraction word problems.

Zainab for researching her ideal job and finding the steps she needs to become an author.

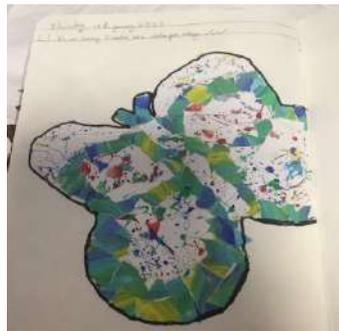
#### Pearl Class

Medeina for her outstanding reading task about the Arabian Desert.

Ridhi, Pearl, Rhea for their creative patterns using paints in Art, in preparation for making our collages.

Ashish and Zainab For persevering and for their great work in Maths when multiplying an integer with unit and non-unit fractions.

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### Class Dojos

DIAMOND: 1553 EMERALD: 1646 JADE: 1515 PEARL: 1217

## Reminders

**Homework—check on Google Classroom—Due back : 30.1.23**

**TTRS Tournament—1.2.23**

**Check ParentMail to give consent to attend the Gurdwara**

**Gurdwara Trip - Wednesday 1st February (Diamond & Jade) Thursday 2nd February (Pearl & Emerald)**

### What have we been up to this week?

In English, we have focused on reading comprehension - and accuracy and depth of answers. This included techniques to help find relevant parts of the text to use in answers and form opinions. We also looked at what type of questions need a quote (evidence) from the text to back-up our answers.

Another tricky area of comprehension we revisited was strategies to answer inference questions. All of these were practised.

In Maths, the children continued their Decimals unit, converting fractions to decimals and vice versa. They also started using Percentages. They have been converting fractions to percentages as well as finding fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents including calculating percentages of amounts.

In Science, the children have continued learning about Light, and this week the focus was on reflection. They explained how light is reflected off a mirror and how the angle can be calculated. The children applied their Maths skills and used protractors to measure the angles of incidence and reflection.

They also carried out their exciting 'Hands-On' Science workshop - looking at the circulatory system . This revised their science work they carried out before Christmas. They dissected a sheep's heart- studying carefully its physiology. They were able to see the valves and the different chambers, as well as where the different veins and arteries connected to it. This was also linked to health and keeping their own hearts healthy.

In Topic the children researched three different parts of the Americas and compared their climates: Death Valley, New York and Rio.

### Merits

#### Ruby Class

**James:** For his fantastic comprehension in English this week – he showed a super understanding of the events in the text and the authors choice of language.

**Sri, Darshini, Navleen and Aarush:** For their super enthusiasm and participation during the heart dissection workshop.

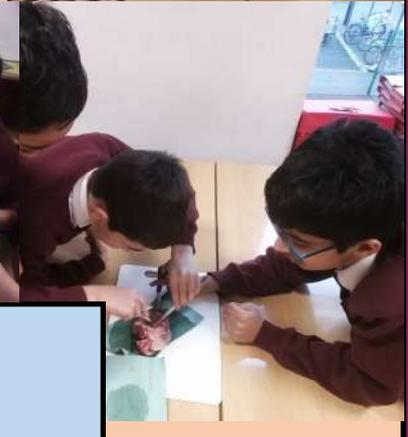
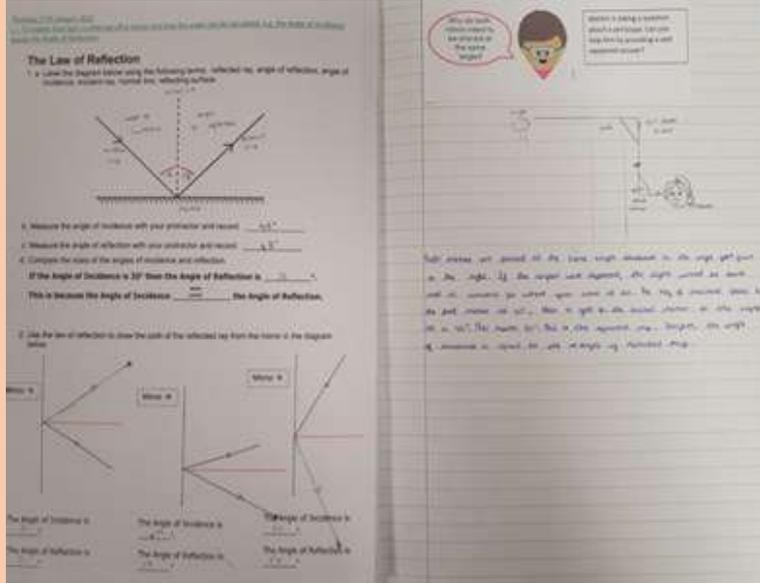
#### Opal Class

**Braylen:** for his excellent efforts to improve in maths and solve high level reasoning questions accurately.

**Lynne, Umayma, Jaitra:** For overcoming their squeamish fears and getting their hands right into the dissection of a real heart in their 'Hands-On' science workshop.

**Shylah:** For working hard to improve her scores in her weekly arithmetic tests.

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### Class Dojos

OPAL 498

RUBY 473

## Reminders

HOMEWORK this week is on Doodle for Maths and English.

Don't forget, there is also the weekly spelling list.

Homework was allocated to the children yesterday (Thursday 26th) and will need to be completed by Monday 30th. The spellings for the next test will be given today and the test will be on Friday 3rd February.