

The Bythams Weekly Newsletter



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This week seems to have been incredibly busy and I'm sure we're all glad to have reached Friday! On Wednesday, I had the pleasure of taking a small group of Year 5 children to Inspire + Bronze Ambassador training. They will work with our Year 6 Ambassadors to promote a love of sport across the school. They were fantastic representatives on the night and were very close to securing a win on the 'Question of Sport' style quiz! My thanks and well done to Leah, Harvey, Yuan and Ethan.

Some children over the last few weeks have been talking about 'Huggy Wuggy'. This is a character from an adult orientated video game called 'Poppy Playtime'. It is not something staff were familiar with but on doing a little research, it is pitched as a 'scary experience designed to thrill and unsettle. It has been rated as suitable for 13 year olds by ESRB and for 12 year olds by PEGI. We would therefore advise that children do not access this game and would request that toys/images associated with this are not brought into school, as they may frighten other children.

Thank you to those parents able to attend the phonics workshop this afternoon. We will be sending links out to videos which you can access at home if you would like further information, or were not able to attend the meeting. Please keep a look out for these next week!

Thanks to those parents and grandparents for joining our first 'share a story' session. We are keen to continue to promote a love of reading as part of our work with the English Hub and the Lincolnshire Reading Pledge and so we are hoping to hold these events a couple more times throughout the year. I saw lots of children enjoying stories with staff and parents across the school - a lovely end to the school week.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Martin.

Key Dates

w/c 10.10.22

Tues 11th

Open Day 9:30 - 11

Parents' Evening

Weds 12th

Flu immunisations R-

Y6

Friday 14th

Individual and sibling

photos via Tempest

photography

w/c 17.10.22

Wed 19th Oct

Parents' Evening

Fri 21st

FOBS break the rules

day

Term ends Friday

21st October



This week's award winners are:

Hedgehogs Class

The Award for Excellence goes to Jack R for practising his sounds at home and making short words to blend.

Jack you have been really enthusiastic about beginning your reading journey and we are all so proud of you, well done!

Squirrels Class

Rama receives the award of excellence for making a great start in Squirrels and trying really hard with so many new things in school.

Alara receives the award of excellence for her knowledge in RE and trying hard in maths with counting in 2s.

Foxes Class

Enya for trying so hard to apply her knowledge of number to problem solve in maths.

Harry for some great ideas with verbs and vocabulary to create a kenning riddle.

Badgers Class

Archie has been awarded his pen licence this week.

Samuel has been awarded the Award of Excellence for his amazing maths work and completing problem solving tasks.

Jack has been awarded the Award of Excellence for consistently demonstrating the Bythams values.



PE for Term 1

Hedgehogs: Tuesdays

Squirrels: Mondays

Foxes: Tuesdays

Badgers: Monday and Friday



Well done to Badgers class

with 97.53% attendance

this week!

Our whole school

attendance this week was

94.36 %



Hedgehogs Class



This week we made some autumnal leaf wreaths whilst we were in our forest area this week. We collected all sorts of coloured leaves and threaded them together to make a lovely decoration for home. We have ordered objects according to their size this week. We focused this around the story of the 3 bears.

We love our owl baby story and this week we had a go at retelling our version using puppets we made. These are on Tapestry if you want to watch them.



Squirrels Class

In maths this week, year 1 have started to work on addition. They spent time working on an oral story, discussing adding 1 more and acting this out. Then they thought about making a number sentence to reflect their story. In



science, the year 2 children have planted bulbs and acorns. We had to pick only certain acorns to hopefully ensure they germinate. We will carefully monitor their progress



throughout the year, discussing what is happening each season. The year 1 children looked at the stages of leaves, from green to decomposing.



Foxes Class



We made clay sculptures of the fossil ammonite. We recreated the spiral form, shape and pattern of the ammonite.

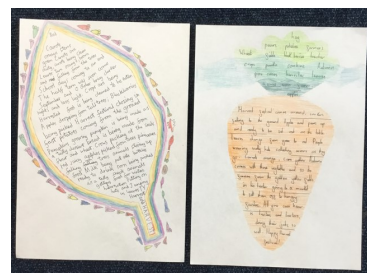
In English this week we have been writing kennings using verbs with the suffix -er. Kennings are a form of riddle with a specific structure. We had fun guessing the animal the kenning was describing.



As part of our rocks and soil work in science, we carried out a soil investigation in the school grounds and used a key to find out if the soil was sandy, silty or clay.

Badgers Class

We have had a busy week in Badgers class this week! To celebrate National Poetry day on Thursday, we wrote a calligram poem all about Harvest. Our poems were written in the shape of leaves and vegetables and the final pieces were fantastic!



In P.E at Witham Hall, we continued to develop skills in football and in our session in school, we carried on working developing teamwork and communication. Our teamwork is definitely improving and we are working well together to complete the given activities.



We are really enjoying our topic of Space this term. This week, we learnt about the movement of the moon. We made a model moon and earth to show the orbit.