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HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents,

Our last week of this half term has been full of interesting activities for the children to participate in. We had a delightful Harvest Service, it was lovely to share this with so many family and friends. Thank you very much for your kind donations, I am sure they will be very much appreciated by those who receive them. Time to speak and sing in front of an audience really does help build our children's confidence. Many thanks to Rev Zoe and Liz for all their support with our service.

We also had a super morning finding out about how people celebrate Diwali. The children were involved in a range of activities and are building their awareness and understanding of different cultures.

Our final day was slow, sleepy and all about hibernation. Lots of interesting facts about why and how animals around the world hibernate captured the children's interest. The hot chocolate and marshmallows were delicious, thanks to Friends of School for organising that little treat. Also, special thanks to Claire who brought Mabel the hedgehog in to visit.

I am slowing down too now but will be back ready for the lifting of the Astroturf on Sat 2nd and Sun 3rd November. If you can join us and help out we would be very grateful even if you can just spare an hour.

Have a wonderful half term.

Jenny Griffiths

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Congratulations to all the children that received an award today.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to all the children that celebrated their birthday this week and also for those that will be celebrating it during the half term holiday. Have fun!





CLASS 1

Class 1 have been enjoying our final Traction Man adventure, 'Traction Man and the Beach Odyssey'. Year 1 have been writing equipment lists for Traction Man and describing scenes from the story, while Reception have been weaving seaweed, acting out the story with dolls and props and reading cvc words from the story.

In Maths we have been exploring the concepts of more and fewer and the children have really impressed us with their articulate use of mathematical vocabulary. We have also had lots of fun investigating 3D shape and pattern.

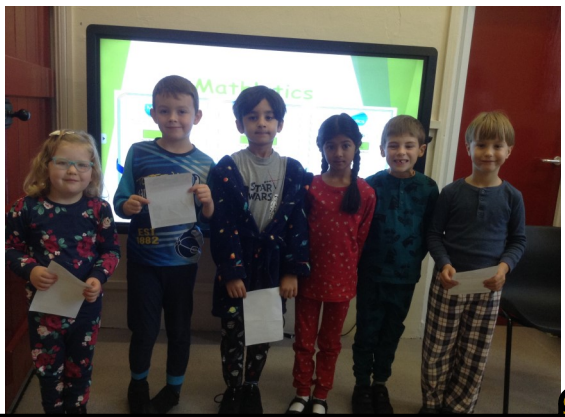


CLASS 2

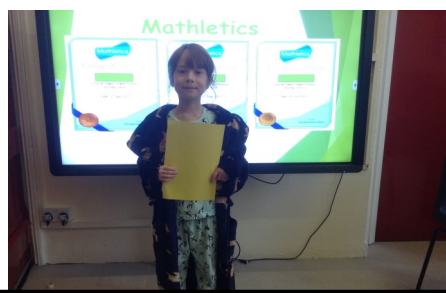
Well we have reached the end of our first term in Class 2 and we have covered so much! We finally finished our toys topic by making our amazing moving toys. The toys needed to have an axle, pulley and a lever that could be moved to help recite a Nursery Rhyme. The children have created some wonderful designs. It has been a busy week with design technology, Diwali celebrations and finally our Hibernation Day. Class 2 are very cosy in the pyjamas today but there has definitely been no resting as we have been learning about different animals that hibernate, where they hibernate and designing somewhere for them to sleep. Enjoy the break everyone!



Well done to the children that received their bronze & gold Mathletics certificate today.



BRONZE AWARD



GOLD AWARD





SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

- Saturday 2nd / Sunday 3rd November—Astro turf help needed—please let Mrs Reynolds know if you can help, thank you.
- Monday 4th November—back to school
- **Friday 8th November—Friends of School Sweet Sale**
- Monday 11th November—flu immunisation day, further information to follow.
- Open Day—13th November.
- Monday 18th November—Astroturf Opening Ceremony
- **Tuesday 19th November—Parents Afternoon/Evening, further information to follow.**

LATEST NEWS AND EVENTS



RECYCLING COMPETITION

We have been made aware of a competition that a local company, CJ Wildfoods, are running to reuse their old catalogues. We will be sending home a couple of their old catalogues with your child for half term. If you would like to enter the competition your child will need to create an ornamental papier mache sculpture of UK wildlife and you will need to take a photograph of the sculpture to enter. Please email your photographs, along with your child's name, age and a description of the sculpture, to us at school by Monday 4th November and we will add the school information and send them on to CJ Wildfoods for you. Prizes are available, both individual and for the school.

Please note that by entering you will be giving parental permission for your child to take part in this competition directly via CJ Wildfoods, and if your child wins a prize you are also giving parental permission for them to appear in a promotional photograph with CJ Wildfoods to be used in CJ Wildfoods promotional activities.

We can't wait to see your sculptures, good luck!

FLU IMMUNISATION

We have now sent the flu immunisation consent letters home, please can you return it as soon as possible, If you haven't received one just let us know and we will get a copy for you. Flu immunisations are taking place on Monday 11th November.

ASTROTURF

We will be in school from **9am on Saturday 2nd November and Sunday 3rd November** to lift the old astroturf.

If you have any spare time, even if you have just an hour to spare please pop along to help.

Thank you!

Well done this week to...

GREEN Team

For winning the Team Challenge.

Well done!





DIWALI

Children enjoyed finding out about Diwali and taking part in a morning of related activities in school. They listened to the story of Guru Har Gobind and his cloak made with 52 tails, they all enjoyed decorating the cloak with their designs and attaching string to it. Children also created Rangoli patterns, made diya lights and tasted Indian food. You will find lots of photos on the school web site.

HIBERNATION MUFTI

Thank you to everyone that supported the Friends of School during the hibernation mufti day. The children enjoyed a cosy day and loved meeting the special visitor, Mabel the hedgehog.



SWEET SHOP

Friends of school have a pop up sweet shop on Friday 8th November sweets will be available to purchase just before the end of the day so please send your child into school with some money if you would like them to purchase some sweets and raise money for the school at the same time.

HARVEST SERVICE

Thank you to everyone for all the generous donations of food. Reverend Zoe will ensure the Newport Food Bank receives your donations.



It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents come along to see our Harvest Service.

