



NEWSLETTER

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Digital Storytelling in Year 1



What a tech-tastic week for our Year 1 students! During their computing lesson, our young digital natives took a delightful plunge into the world of digital storytelling using the '2 create a story' tool on Purple Mash. Drawing inspiration from our engaging class text, 'Whatever Next!', children embarked on a journey to create their very own ebook stories. But that's not all! Not only did they skilfully type out simple sentences to narrate their tales, they also added a splash of colour with their own illustrations. Some even ventured into the realm of animations, bringing their stories to life in the most enchanting way. The future of digital creativity surely looks promising with these budding storytellers on the rise!

Anatomy Adventures in Year 6

If you happened to walk past our Year 6 classroom this week, you might've thought a mini science lab had erupted amidst a whirlwind of excitement. Our budding biologists dived deep into the mysteries of the human circulatory system by creating their very own models of blood! Armed with a colourful assortment of ingredients, each student masterfully represented the different components of blood. From cheerios acting as red blood cells to flaxseed 'platelets', creativity (and a tiny bit of mess) was in full swing. We're always thrilled to see hands-on learning, and judging by the lively discussions, it seems Year 6 found this experiment to be both fun and informative. Science in action is always a delight to witness, especially when it gets a tad messy!



Upholding Our P.E. Uniform Standards

A gentle reminder about our P.E. uniform requirements: children should wear a white t-shirt or polo shirt, accompanied by plain navy shorts, jogging bottoms, or leggings. Trainers are essential for their activities. Thank you for ensuring that our students present themselves consistently and smartly.

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Year 5 Charms Year 1 with Enchanting Tales from 'Leon and the Place Between'!

Year 5 have recently embarked on their creative writing journey, and wrote captivating stories aimed at young children, based on class novel 'Leon and the Place Between'. We took our learning a step further by making the purpose of our writing come to life. Our Year 5 students had the wonderful opportunity to visit Year 1 and read their marvellous stories aloud to them! We were absolutely thrilled to see the captivating expressions on the faces of our Year 1 pupils as they listened to their older peers' enchanting tales and the excitement of Year 5 as they shared their creations.



Stepping Up: Year 6 Prefects Shine in Their New Roles

The corridors of our school have been buzzing with a special kind of energy this academic year, and much of it can be attributed to our newly appointed Year 6 prefects. As we settle into the term, it's heartening to see these young leaders seamlessly transition into their roles with confidence and dedication.

Taking on the mantle of a prefect is no small feat; it demands responsibility, leadership, and an unwavering commitment to the school's ethos. Yet, our Year 6 cohort has risen to the occasion with aplomb. From ensuring discipline during break times to assisting teachers and younger students, their proactive approach has been shining through. Well done, Year 6!



Healthy Eating Experts in Y3

Our budding nutritionists in Year 3 have been learning all about how to eat healthily. They have discovered how we need a balanced diet as well as learning that fruit and vegetables are the group that we need most, whilst oils, fats and spreads are the group that we need to eat the least of. In addition, children know that carbohydrates give us energy and meat, fish and eggs contain protein that contains vitamins and minerals. We hope that you love our posters to persuade people to eat well and live healthily!





Trampolines, Tumbles, and Tons of Fun!

On Thursday morning, Year 4 practiced their gymnastics skills alongside other local primary schools. They had fun racing over obstacle courses, working on the bars and, best of all, bouncing as high as they could on trampolines!

After School Club Update

After listening to parents' views on the capacity of after school club, we are going to increase our number of places for students after the half term break. This will have a small impact on costs because of increased staffing involved.

For students staying from 15:15 to 16:15, the new price is £3.

For students staying from 15:15 to 17:30, the new price is £6.50.

For students using tea club after an alternative extracurricular club, the new price will be £3.50.

Halloween Disco Fever

Get ready to show off your spookiest moves! On Thursday, 26th October, we're hosting a thrilling Halloween Disco night for all our students. But that's not all! Children are encouraged to don their Halloween costumes throughout the day, turning the school into a delightful den of little ghouls, goblins, and witches!

A Nut-Free School

We would like to stress the significance of our nut-free school policy to ensure the safety and well-being of all our pupils. Please remain vigilant and avoid bringing any nut products into the school. We appreciate the challenges associated with dietary preferences, but we kindly request your utmost cooperation in checking the food and snacks you pack for your child. Even trace amounts of nut residues can pose a severe risk to those with allergies. Thank you for your understanding and dedication to keeping our school community safe.

A few reminders:

- Only healthy snacks are permitted at break times. Sweets, crisps and chocolate are not allowed and will be returned home.
- Jewellery is not to be worn for school. Earrings must be removed or covered for PE.
- Nail varnish is not permitted for wear in school.
- Children are not to use the Woodland Village before or after school.
- The staff car park (with the exception of the disabled parking bay) is for the sole use of staff. The carpark is not to be used as a thoroughfare.
- Please park with the safety of the children in mind and with consideration to all road users and residents. Do not pull in to drop off at our school entrance on the yellow lines.
- Dogs must not be brought onto school premises.
- Children require a clear, freshly filled water bottle daily in school.
- Please only send bags to school if it is necessary

Celebrations and Achievements

Year	Star of the Week	English	Maths	Word of the Week
Reception	Gracie	Felix		Route
Y1	Jay	Phonics Star: Oliver		equator
Y2	Ella Mae	Phonics Star: Teddy		subtraction
Y3	Millie	AR Target: Reggie, Bridget, AJ, Alice, Katie, Nadia		annually
Y4	Jack			limerick
Y5	James			accuracy
Y6	Scarlett G			factor pair

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
October	Black History Month
20.10.23	Non-Uniform Day
26.10.23	Year 2 Halloween Themed Multi skills at Maiden Castle (12-3)
26.10.23	KS1 and Reception Halloween Disco (15:15-16:15)
26.10.23	KS2 Halloween Disco (16:30-17:30)
30.10.23	Half Term Break Begins
14.11.23	Buddy Assembly - Reception and Year 6 Parents Welcome (09:30)
23.11.23	Christmas Fair
24.11.23	School Closed for Staff Training
13.12.23	Whole-School pantomime at the Sunderland Empire Theatre

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Harris