

Wells-next-the-Sea Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter

10th March 2016

We have certainly had some very wet days this week and often the children have spent lunchtimes and break time inside. The children are really enjoying the table top soccer tables and air hockey games that we have purchased. If you have any games that are not used at home please think of us. Games are a great way of encouraging turn taking, participation and team work which is something our school works very hard to promote.

Passport day this week has been an exploration of African Countries. There has been a drumming workshop to extend the children's learning. Passport Days are so important for widening our children's knowledge and understanding of the world they live in and of course because we mix the children into different age groups, it moves them beyond their usual comfort zone, giving them confidence.

Mrs Pigney has been very busy with our Special Educational Needs provision and is a joy to have in school. If you would like to see her she is in school on Wednesdays.

I have been seeing some super learning log homework. The dinosaur models and book boxes in Reception Class and Year 1 are a joy to behold. Thank you for supporting your child's home learning, I know it is not easy with the busy lives you all lead. However it makes such a difference.

Mrs J Lavender – Associate Headteacher

Mrs Lavender is looking for Grandmas and Grandads who may be free to come into school and hear readers, even an hour a week would be useful for us. We have a great team of volunteers and I should like to build up to having 3 helpers per classroom per week.

Nursery

Nursery School- having found out about all the things local farmers can grow we decided to think about fruit and vegetables from



around the world. We went to the Co-op as part of our research. We bought ingredients for fruit kebabs which we made when we got back! They were yummy!

Year 1

Thank you to all who attended Year One's Story Cafe last week. The children had a brilliant time reading the story of 'The Billy Goats Gruff'



and completing a challenge to build their own bridge from newspaper.



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Year 2

This week we have been practicing SATs tests. We are also thinking about what life was like 100 years ago.



Year 3

We had a great time on Thursday last week during World Book Day. We looked all over the school grounds and found clues as to who



had been in overnight! Cinderella's glass slipper was found in the Gazebo; Little Red Riding Hood's cloak near the chickens {along with some wolf fur!} and lots of other fascinating things. Then we came back into class and wrote diary entries from the point of view of the characters we had identified outside or based on the characters the children had dressed up as. Everybody made a huge effort: There were some great costumes and some lovely work produced.

Year 4

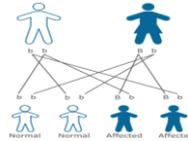
This week Year 4 will be looking into the history of the first parliament, who created it, and how did it work? We will also be looking at some of the architecture of central London. In maths we will be looking at fractions and percentages.



Year 5

This week we are starting to find out information about the history of Wells-next-the-sea. In Science next week we will start to find out about our genetic links to one another and we will be researching facts

about the different ages within our families. We will also be creating some questions for biographies of our grandparents. Grandpas and Grannies be aware!!!!



Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard on writing news reports this week. We all enjoyed filming (and watching) the reports which the children wrote during World Book Day on Thursday.



From next week I shall be running optional revision clubs before school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Tuesday's club will have a Maths focus and we will cover aspects of English on Thursdays. The sessions will begin at 8:10 and finish at 8:40. All children are welcome to come along. A quick reminder that it is our Story Cafe on Thursday 17th March. Thank you.

A thank you to all parents who get their children to school on time. Mrs Lavender has noticed at the moment there are a lot of children coming to school after the bell has gone. Getting to school on time ensures the children are not feeling rushed and are ready to learn, please support your child's learning.

We have noticed that many children are coming to school in brightly coloured trainers. This is not part of our uniform agreement. School uniform is incredibly important in giving your child a sense of responsibility and belonging.

Our school uniform consists of Royal blue jumper/cardigan, white polo shirt, grey trousers /skirts and sensible shoes.