

Wells-next-the-Sea Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter

5th May 2016

Thank you all for supporting another great week of learning at our school. The children look very smart in their uniform and school shoes. We wish our Year 6 learners good luck with their SATS next week. They have all worked so hard and have made fantastic progress, showing a great mind set and perseverance. We remain relaxed yet focussed about SATS, knowing our children will do their best as they do at all times. Can I draw your attention to our website for dates, policies, the school development plan and what we are doing to improve and also what your children are learning on our curriculum pages. As you can see from the newsletter we have added summer term family assemblies and reading cafes. Remember if you have been in receipt of free school meals during the last 6 years your child may be entitled to help with costs for music lessons, uniform, and educational visits, this is called pupil premium.

As always if you would like to chat about your child's development please come and see us.

Mrs Lavender

Year 6

This week we have been reading a book called 'The Island' by Armin Greder.



It has provoked some great thinking and very perceptive observations from the children. This will lead to some poetry writing based on the story.

Next week, of course, is SATs week. The children have been working really hard to prepare themselves. All we can ask now is that they arrive on time next week having slept well and that they remain as relaxed, yet focused, as they have been in school. The first test will be reading and will take place on Monday morning. Lilian will be providing Y6 breakfasts throughout SATs week from 8:30am to give the children a good start to the day.

Year 5

Despite the patchy weather, we got the potatoes planted in the school garden this week. The whole class is really enjoying our sessions out in the garden and we are starting to see the impact of our labours. We are trying to find



out about the gardening jobs that we should be tackling each month so if you have any expertise, your advice would be most welcome.

Year 4

This week Year 4 will be looking at the following questions; which birds can we see



out of our classroom window? and, How can we encourage more birds to visit our school?. We will also be looking at word problems in maths, making sure we can find the important information, and be diving even deeper into persuasive writing in literacy.

Year 3

St. George's Day was the inspiration for some lovely writing all about what happened when St. George fought the terrible



dragon and saved the princess. The children were asked to write a report about what went on as if they were the newspaper reporters, which they clearly enjoyed greatly. This week we are looking at the language used in advertisements, before writing holiday adverts that try to persuade people to visit particular countries and places. Who knows where you might end up this summer?

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Year 2

This week Year 2 have been working on their writing, especially spelling accurately. They are writing their own version of a traditional tale "the Leopard's Drum"



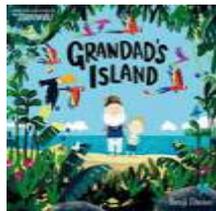
Attendance Data

Our attendance last week was 96.73%- well done. With a little push we can, I am sure, further increase our percentage. Thank you for all your efforts in maintaining such good levels. Hopefully now the warmer weather is here we can finally get rid of winter ailments.

Year 1

Year 1 are reading the story 'Grandad's Island' in literacy.

We have been working on making predictions and inferences based on the text. We have also used the story to learn about plurals, and have practiced adding s and es to nouns.



Story Café dates:-



Thursday 19th May	Reception 2.00-3.00
Friday 26 th May	Nursery 11.00-12.00
Monday 6 th June	Year 3 2.00-3.00
Monday 13 th June	Year 4 1.30-2.30
Monday 20 th June	Year 1 2.00-3.00
Friday 24 th June	Year 5 1.30-2.30
Monday 11 th July	Year 2 2.00-3.00

Nursery

The children in Nursery School continue to learn about the smaller creatures on our island. This week we have been finding out interesting facts about slugs and snails.

