



Reminders & diary dates:

Fri 13 Jan: Toddler morning

Fri 13 Jan: After school sports club starts

Fri 13 Jan: Y5/6 sportshall event @ Galtres Centre (separate letter to follow)

Tue 17 Jan: Y4/5/6 trip to Bradford

Wed 25 Jan: Chinese New Year school meal – families invited

Fri 27 Jan: Star Dome Planetarium – Classes 1 and 2

Fri 3rd Feb: Talent Show organised by the School Council

Tue 7 Feb: Toddler morning

Tue 14 Feb: valentines disco

Well the first snow of the year has arrived, albeit a light dusting. Needless to say it has caused great excitement with the children!

Sharing assembly

A reminder there will be no sharing assembly on today due to a sporting event.

Chinese New Year lunch

Thank you to those parents/families who have booked to have the Chinese New Year lunch. The opportunity to book a meal is now closed and we are unable to accept any more bookings as the kitchen order has been placed. Lunch will be served at 12.00 noon for everyone. Please arrive at school between 11.50am and 12.00 noon.

Award winners from last week's assembly were: Joshua Cooper, George Marshall and Maisie Kingston



Class 1: We are thoroughly back into the swing of things this week, with the holidays just a (very) distant memory! On Monday we were really excited to send our notes to Dave (the man on the moon) via balloon mail! We waved goodbye to a huge bunch of helium balloons, our notes carefully attached, and watched the wind carry them far away. Let's see if he gets them! Year One have written sentences based on the senses, using the story of 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt', using adjectives to describe what we might see, hear, feel and smell, as we travelled closer to the bear! Reception have thought about what their very own alien would look like. They drew sketches and wrote sentences to describe them. During maths, we realised how helpful a hundred square can be! We have used it to identify numbers just from verbal instructions, find numbers more/less than and counting in tens from different numbers. Other work has been very spacey. Lots of aliens being designed, drawn, glued and painted! We have our very own Solar System hanging in the Den...but the Sun is under construction as we speak! And of course, today was Toddler Day! Yay! More aliens, but mixed in with a huge heap of soft play, making, sticking and playing. And lots of space fun!

Class 2 have been busy working hard this week. In English, we wrote our biographies about Tim Peake and his amazing achievements. In maths, we have consolidated our understanding of using formal columnar addition and subtraction methods. We have also been investigating the perimeter of regular (and some irregular) polygons. We started our science topics this week. Year 2 will be investigating everyday materials; and Years 3 and 4 will be building and exploring electrical circuits. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have contributed to the star dome that is coming in later this month. I hope to see you all at the upcoming parents' evenings. If you need to make an appointment outside the given times please do not hesitate to contact Mr Chapman

Class 3: This week class 3 have been using extracts/chapters from some of the Harry Potter texts to learn about flashbacks and why authors use them in fiction. We will go on to write our own Pensieve flashbacks next week. In maths negative numbers have been the focus, with temperature and depth being the main real life connections we've used (although we did discuss debt as well!) Science had us using balls of various sizes to help us relate planet sizes to something we know and begin the idea of scale. We researched all the planets gaining an idea about planet types, temperatures and atmospheres. We also watched an investigation that used a lot of toilet paper! Next week the children will be doing it themselves and making videos of their investigations. In history we looked at the 'Space Race' between USSR and USA from the 40's to 70's and the main events achieved by each country. Today we go off to compete at the Sportshall Athletics and no matter the outcome I know we'll have fun.

Thank you for your continued support