

Newsletter Friday 12th January 2024

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Information for Parents



Happy New Year to you all. I do hope you had a good holiday.

We are delighted to say that Brenda Lines, the Chair of Governors at Wyre Forest School has been awarded an MBE in the New Years Honours List.

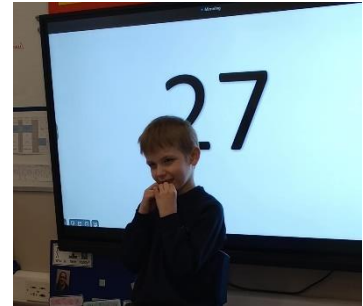


Brenda is Chair of the Big Local and has been awarded this honour for services to the community of Kidderminster. Well done Brenda, we are all very proud of you.

As you will have seen in the letter I emailed yesterday, we are mourning the loss of our colleague Ann Marie Chandler who passed away peacefully. I know you will respect the privacy of the family at this time and join me in sending our thoughts and prayers to them at this very sad time.

OLIVE Class

Olive Class have been busy playing number bond games this week taking it in turns to guess which number was behind them whilst the rest of the class gave them mathematical clues. Well done Olive Class!



6th Form Newsletter

Please follow this link and enjoy our 6th Form Newsletter

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CHESTNUT Class

The children in Chestnut Class have got straight into the swing of things this term with our new topic 'Forest and Woodlands'. The children have been enjoying our first Story of the topic 'The Gruffalo' and have been engaging in a range of activities around this fabulous book.



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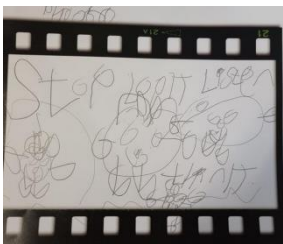


JUNIPER Class

Juniper Class have settled back into school this week and are enthusiastically preparing for their assembly next week about road safety. Everyone could remember lots of ways to stay safe near roads and all of the main rules to Stop, look, Listen and Think before crossing a road.

Pupils planned ideas for short videos that they then recorded, and these will be played in our assembly to help to teach others about how to stay safe near roads and when crossing roads.

Well done Juniper Class fantastic work and a great start to the new year.



10H News

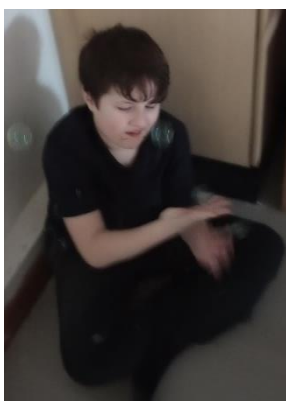


10H have been busy practising simple meals that can be made in a microwave. We went shopping for ingredients and came back to school to make a lovely stir fry with rice. Everyone enjoyed the food and some pupils tried foods they have not tasted before. Well done 10H.



SYCAMORE Class

This week Sycamore Class have settled in really well after their break. They have been looking at following visuals. They have been exploring textures and animal activities for our topic.



HAWTHORN Class

This week, Hawthorn Class have been to Forest School. We had great fun digging in the sand, lying in the hammock, and exploring the Forest School area. We also enjoyed toasting marshmallows over the fire and eating 'shmares' with our toasted marshmallows. We can't wait for our next Forest School session!

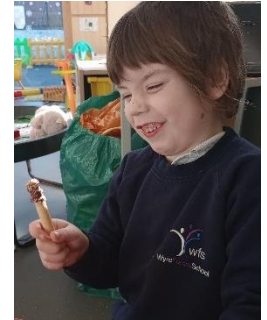


LEMON Class

Lemon Class have started off the new year with The Three Little Pigs to begin our learning about traditional tales. This week, we learnt all about the pigs and their houses of straw, sticks and bricks in Literacy and Communication time whilst playing with pig and wolf masks, story props and puppets. We made our teaching staff exceptionally proud by demonstrating such lovely sharing both of the different craft resources and space at the table during Expressive Art & Design sessions when making play dough pigs & painting and mark-making on our pig template pages. We also made pig biscuits to develop our communication skills through the use of ALDs and explored tasting some new foods. It is great to be back together again for more fun and friendship in 2024!



APPLE Class



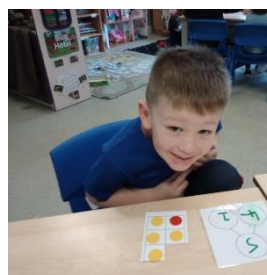
Happy New Year to you all from Apple Class, to celebrate the New Year we made our very own edible sparklers. We are starting to introduce trying new food and textures and what's better than melted chocolate and sprinkles! Children participated in their own way from licking the chocolate off their sparkler to using the breadstick to stir the sprinkles.



SPRUCE Class

Spruce Class have been welcoming the new year with some new year's resolutions. We are going to be trying our best and learning something new every day, as well as getting some more exercise. Things are already going very well as we use our shake and make number bonds trays and ten frames to get better at Maths. We enjoyed our first swim of the year at Stourport Leisure centre and were an absolute credit to the school and to our families as we were very grown up using our fantastic, good listening skills to follow instructions and stay safe. We also managed to find time to practise our co-ordination and ball skills in PE.

What a fantastic start to 2024 Spruce Class. Well done!





Communication Team News

Hi everyone,

Here's a Communication and Interaction top tip for this week:

This term's focus is language.

Chunking

This is a strategy to support children's processing of language and memory skills.



It involves reducing the number of words you say to your child in one go.

This is because it can be hard for some children to process all the words, we say to them.

Try to break down instructions into chunks for your child to process each part before giving the next instruction.



Example

Instead of "Put your coat on the peg, your bag on the floor and your shoes in the cupboard", split your instructions into smaller chunks and deliver them one at a time.



- Put your coat on the peg.
- Put your bag on the floor.
- Put your shoes in the cupboard.

Kind regards,

The Communication Team

OAK Class



This week, we have been working on our independence skills in the kitchen and beginning to explore everyday household appliances. This week we have been using the toaster to make some toast and a kettle to make ourselves a hot chocolate with squirty cream.



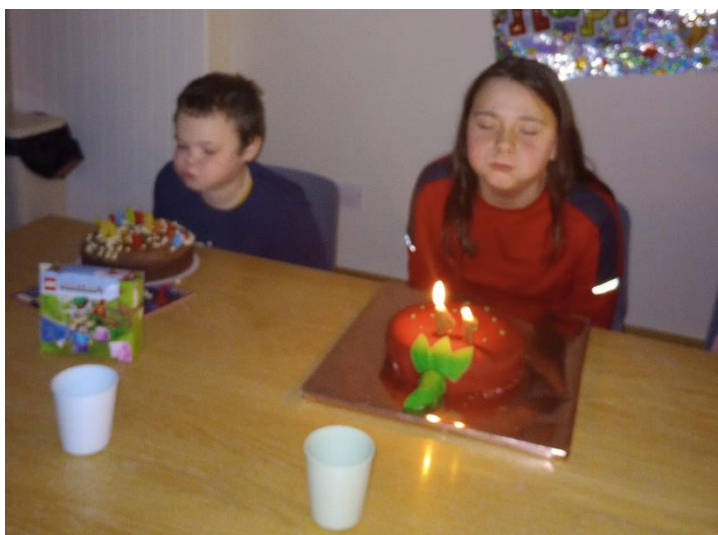
Russell House News

We have had a fun week welcoming our students back after the Christmas break. We have kicked off January with lots of exercise, we went to the sports hall, visited the bike track and have done yoga.





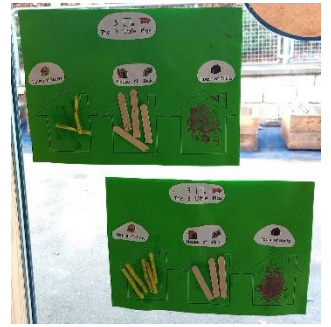
We have also been to youth club where we learnt how to make toasties. We have celebrated Finn and Dan's birthday with a McDonald's treat from their parents.



ORANGE Class



This week in Orange Class we have been telling the story of The Three Little Pigs. Some of the children have been answering some "what" questions about the story. In creative we focused on using different materials to make the pigs houses, we made a house of straw using pipe cleaners, a house of sticks using lollypop sticks and then a house of bricks by doing some brick printing with paint. This was enjoyed by all.



Also in Forest school this week the children helped Mr Liggitt make birdfeeders using lard and sunflower seeds.

The children also did a fantastic job of finding their own Forest school clothes and getting changed independently.

