

Newsletter Friday 26th January 2024

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Information for Parents



It won't be long until Parents Evening and our Life Beyond School Event 2024
7th February 3.10-5.30pm.

It really is never too early to start looking at and thinking about options for life after WFS and support for your child as they become a young adult. In a blink of an eye they will be there! The event is open to parents of all year groups and is supported by colleges, training providers, social care providers and Worcestershire Children First transport and social care. They will be happy to answer all your questions and provide information to support you in decision making.

The event will be held in the school hall. The main entrance to the school will not be open so please follow the signs. We will have maps and be able to direct you to where you need to go but please come and chat to or just look at the providers attending.

The Communication Team and Russell House Team will also be available to talk to and ask for any advice or guidance.

I look forward to seeing you and having a chat about your child's progress.



Friends of Wyre Forest School

CALLING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS!

We are desperately in need of more volunteers to help plan and run our events, such as the Summer/Christmas Fairs, Mother's/Father's Day Gift Wraps and School Leavers' Party in June.



Our next fundraising meeting will be taking place on Thursday 1st February at 9:30am at Russell House and we'd love you to join us. If you're able to attend or would like more information about how you can get involved with The Friends, please contact us via friendsofwyreforestschooll@gmail.com

PEAR Class

This week Pear Class have been exploring Chinese food. They have had a lovely time tasting, smelling, and touching different types of food from China.



6th Form Newsletter

Please follow this link and enjoy our 6th Form Newsletter

[Friday 26th January 2024 \(cloud.microsoft\)](https://cloud.microsoft.com/)

OAK Class

This week, in the world about us, we have been immersing ourselves into the Chinese culture and the Chinese New Year celebration. We have learnt that 2024 is the year of the dragon.



Juniper Class



This half term, Juniper Class were very excited to meet their long awaited new class pet ... Rocky the pet Rock !

Not quite the pet they were all expecting !!!

As part of our World About Us lessons, pupils have been learning about the features of living things. To help us to understand we have been comparing pets at home to our class pet Rocky and have found out that Rocky is not living, because he doesn't need food and water, he doesn't move or breath air and he hasn't grown since we had him!

Much to everyone's disappointment Rocky wasn't quite the class pet everyone expected...but he is really easy look after, much to the relief of the class team !



Spruce Class

Wow, what a difference a week makes in the weather. Last week at forest school the weather was cold and crisp and extremely frosty. Spruce class enjoyed sitting around a cozy fire and toasting delicious marshmallows. This week we saw wind and rainstorms, but they didn't stop us from getting out and enjoying some tasty hot chocolate as we warmed ourselves around another fire. This is certainly the time of year to be learning about how to stay safe around a fire and what we need to make a fire.



Poplar Class



In forest school this week the children were making their own bird feeders. They used Cheerios and string to make the bird feeders. The children really enjoyed doing this activity and they'll look forward to seeing the results.



10P News

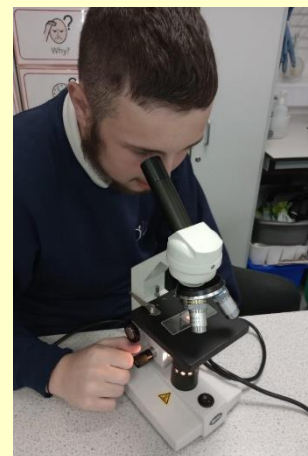


10P visited Kidderminster Bus Station. We looked at the timetables and which bus we would need to take depending on our journey. The class talked about being safe around buses, waiting till they stop to embark and disembark. A student who uses the bus regularly talked about different ticket prices, how you can use cash or card and what to do to get a bus to stop for you.



In science this week 10P have used a microscope to look at different materials. We looked at how a microscope works and how to look after the slides.

When confident, the students looked at the cell of an onion.
Great work 10P



Beech Class

Beech class have had such a great return to school following Christmas. Our students are working hard on independence skills in cooking as well as all making progress in their communication! Music, drama and art sessions have been lots of fun, as well as the (somewhat cold, therefore quick!) new sessions out at Forest School. Well done Beech class!



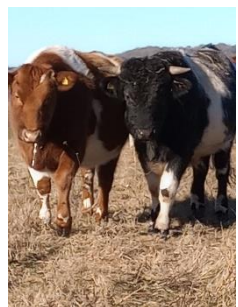
Willow Class

This week in willow class we have made elephant poo cakes! We used coins to exchange for the ingredients and mixed the ingredients before eating it all up! Delicious!



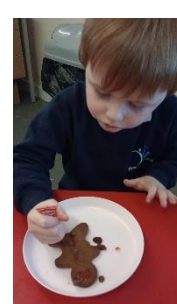
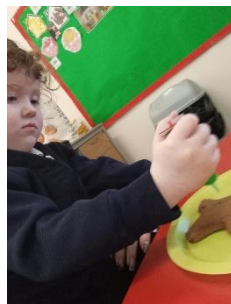
Class 10H

Class 10H have been lucky enough to be given the chance to volunteer at Blackstone nature reserve. We are enjoying the chance to help with wildlife conservation which includes making insect homes, bird boxes and removing plants. Last Thursday was so cold we couldn't do any planting or digging but we did manage to go for a lovely walk in the countryside to keep warm and say hello to the cows who live there.



Apple Class

'Run run as fast as you can, you can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man ' is what we have been saying in Apple class. It's definitely a new favourite story and we have had some lovely activities to go with it. We made our own Gingerbread Men and they were only slightly burnt! We have had ginger playdough and gingerbread cloud dough. We also have had sensory tuff spot tray and painted the characters from the story for our display.



LEMON Class

Continuing with our termly topic of Traditional Tales, this week's story has been The Gingerbread Man. We have enjoyed reading and engaging with the interactive story, exploring ginger play dough and using cutters to make our own Gingerbread Men. We have then been busy making Gingerbread Men in cookery and will be decorating them later in the week whilst developing our communication skills through the use of ALDs, PECs and Objects of Reference.



Orange Class

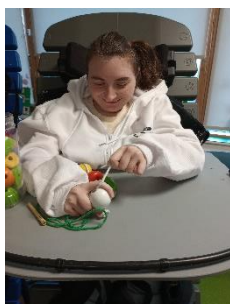
Orange class have done some amazing work this week, especially in literacy. Stacy's literacy group started looking at the book each, peach, pear, plum. The children did some amazing listening and were able to identify some of the objects when asked. Katie's group have been focusing on the concept "big" and finding big items around class and school. Michelle's group are becoming more confident in choosing what they want.

Our class story of the week this week has been Goldilocks and the 3 bears. The children have made their own porridge and added their favourite toppings, which again they really enjoyed. We've done lots of creative work around the story too.



ALDER Class

Alder class have been developing their fine motor skills threading a variety of different beads and cotton reels, and creating different patterns with colours and using our threaded beads to move and wriggle back and forth like The Very Hungry Caterpillar.



Walnut Class

Walnut Class have had another great week. They have all been working really hard in their phonics lesson practicing their CVC and CVCC words. In "The world about us" they had great fun outside looking for lots of different mini beasts.

In "Mental health and wellbeing" they have continued to talk about why its important to exercise and this week the children all took part in "Circuit training"



Olive Class

Olive class went on a lovely walk to Brintons park this week. Along the way we look at the environment around us and chatted about what we could see. Such as bus stops, zebra crossings, green light crossings and street signs. All of Olive class were fantastic, they all used their listening ears and walked safely. they played on the park using their fantastic imaginations pretending to be Rapunzel stuck in the tower, in a prison and eating food at a cafe to name but a few. On the way back all of the children practiced crossing the road safely. They waited, looked left and right, and said when it was safe to cross.

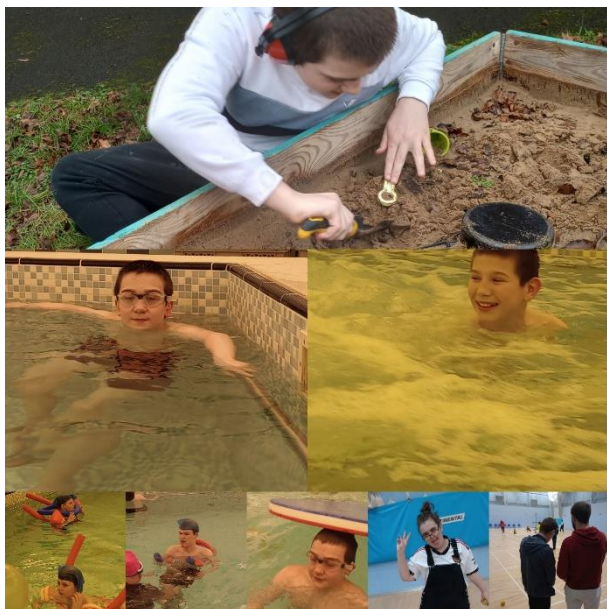


All of Olive class were outstanding on their walk and made the class team very proud! Well done everyone.



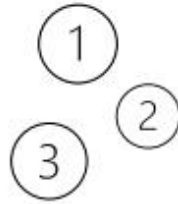
Russell House News

This week we made pancakes at youth club and got to choose from lots of yummy toppings. Tuesday we were lucky enough to get free tickets to Star Circus. Two of our students were interviewed and said how much of a good time they had had. Wednesday we attended cricket and went to the park. We have also been to the bike track, soft play and swimming.





Early Years



Number Day 2024

Friday 2nd February



Early Years will be participating with Number Day 2024 on Friday 2nd February.

Numbers inspire and motivate many of the pupils in Early Years, and are an integral part of life and school. We will celebrate numbers by dedicating the day to number rhymes, engaging with counting activities, and completing a number trail in our outdoor area.

We would like to invite you to dress your child in number themed clothing should you wish.

We hope you will join us!

Many Thanks,

The Early Years Team

Year 9 Pupils

All Parents of Year 9 pupils have been emailed a letter this week with information and a link to click on to give consent or not to the DTP/MEN ACWY Vaccination.

Even if you do not give consent, please complete the form as this will ensure that the vaccination isn't given and the Vaccination Team are fully aware of your decision.

Vaccinations will be happening in school on Tuesday 16th April 2024

If you have any queries about the vaccination, or difficulties completing the form, please contact Vaccination UK on 01527 390030



On Tuesday 6th February 2024 it is Safer Internet Day and everyone in the school will be taking part in activities and learning about how we stay safe online

FEBRUARY 2024	
2	Early Years Celebrating Number Day!!!
6	Safer Internet Day in School
7	Parents Evening & Life Beyond School Event 3.15pm-5.00pm
9	Reception Support Group – 1.30pm at Russell House
12 – 16 HALF TERM	

Please note: all the above dates / times are subject to change.

Please can we remind all Parents & Carers to keep the school office updated with any change of details, i.e, telephone numbers, addresses, list of contacts. Thank you