

Newsletter 11th November 2016



Menu Week: Week beginning 14th November will be Week 2

Year 11 trip to Walsall Art Gallery.

It was big inside the gallery and it was so cool to look at the statues. *Dan Chapman*



We met Katie (an artist) who talked about different materials. She brought examples that we could touch and feel. We had to guess what materials the artworks were made of. *Paige Falcon*

We went to the top floor where we saw a dark room. We saw a huge creepy painting. It was weird. It was made of 40 boxes of chalk pastels, we were all shocked. It was the best part of the art gallery. *Jack Harper*



We went to do a workshop. We made a relief plaster cast, it was very fun and exciting because we haven't made anything like it before. *Jordan Care*



We went to look at different sculptures. In one room there were old fashioned passports, letters, paintings, photos and a story about an artist. There were his paintbrushes and other things that are forgotten about. *Lucy Wood*

Russell House News



On Thursday 3rd November, Russell House pupils and staff celebrated Guy Fawkes Night with a bonfire and fireworks! We were joined by staff from the school and pupils from the after-school club. This year, we had two "Guy's" made by our pupils in each of our wings which saw the flames of the fire reach almost two metres in height! The bonfire and fireworks were followed by hotdogs and burgers and some sweet treats made by the pupils! The Rocky-Road went down very well!!!!



A big thanks to Mr Liggitt and the Thrive pupils for their help with constructing the bonfire and to the many visitors who came to celebrate the event with us!

Maple Class

We have done a take on the famous melting clocks by Salvador Dali and the children made portraits of his face with his wacky moustache!





Remembrance Day

We celebrated Remembrance Day throughout school today and took time to pay our respects in different ways

Birch class led the assembly on Remembrance for Primary classes today in school.

The children told the story and significance of the poppy. We then placed poppy wreaths on our cenotaph (it's amazing what you can make from photo copier paper boxes!)

We ended with the last post trumpet and a minute's silence from all.



E Safety Issues coming in to school



We are starting to see an increasing number of issues between students that have resulted from them using electronic forms of communication outside of school. Please could we ask that parents monitor their child's internet and mobile phone usage and inform school if they feel any issues may need addressing in school. Thank you



Food Tech News



Recently Napier Class have made a Chicken Enchiladas recipe, considering portion size. This was perfect for one person, plus a balanced meal.

We've also prepared bangers and mash with mixed vegetables and gravy recently and discussed the correct size of this dish, then enjoyed sampling our hard work. The students remembered that a portion of rice is the size of a tennis ball and a piece of fish, the size of a cheque book.

We are excited to be designing Christmas cakes soon so watch this space!

Primary Students – Old shoes to wear in school please at break times 😊

If you want your child to use the Go-Karts and Scooters we have available at play times, please can you send your child in with an old pair of shoes for them to wear whilst they are playing on these items, thank you.



NOVEMBER	
18 th	MAPLE Class Assembly
18 th	CHILDREN IN NEED DAY – <i>Will be celebrated the following week in school</i>
21 st	School Photos - Brushed hair and smiley faces please 😊
22 nd	9am Coffee Morning for Parents of Lower, Middle & Upper Phase students
23 rd	Parents Versus Staff Football Tournament – 3.30pm (details in newsletter)
25 th	YEW Class Assembly
25 th	1pm – Parents coffee and discussion of Training Interests for ASC workshops
29 th	Provisional Date Careers Afternoon