



SACRISTON
ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

12th January 2024

Welcome back and a huge Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had an amazing Christmas.

We are so impressed by how well our children have settled back into school and impressing their class teachers.

We have a lot of events happening this half term so please make sure you keep up to date by checking our weekly newsletter, class dojo and school website.

Welcome
Back

Nursery Under the Sea

Wow! What a brilliant start to the new year! Nursery have started their new topic 'Explorers - here we go'. This week our focus is to explore under the sea, the children have been investigating and exploring thin and thick materials to create patterns. Well done superstars!

"This one is thin and makes thick lines too".



Reception Compare the Dinosaurs

Now that Reception have started their learning about dinosaurs, they have started looking at how they are the same and different. The children had excellent ideas when they compared them:

Jacob- *"They are different colours, but they are both tyrannosauruses."*

Grayson- *"T-Rex has sharp teeth and the other one doesn't because it eats leaves."*

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Jamie:- "A T-rex is walking on two legs and the other dinosaur has spikes."

Marcus- "The plesiosaurus don't have legs and it swims in water but that one doesn't and lives in the grass."



Kings and Queens of Year 1

This week Year 1 learned about Queen Elizabeth II in their final history lesson on Childhood in the 1950s. The class learned about her coronation in 1953 by looking at images and watching video footage. Everyone loved seeing all the special parts of the ceremony, including the grand golden carriage, the oil blessed by God and the long heavy robes that the Queen wore, which had to be carried by 6 people! Year 1 had a great time learning about Queen Elizabeth II and making crowns like hers, and she might make another appearance in our new topic Bright Lights, Big City....

Tommy- "They used special oil from god because God made everything."

Isaac – "It was safe to have street parties because they didn't have lots of cars in the 1950s."

Isla – "The robe she is wearing looks very heavy."

Everyone – "The video is black and white because they didn't know how to take pictures with colour yet!"



Year 2 Jack and the Beanstalk

Year 2 have been sequencing the story of Jack and the Beanstalk by working as a team to put a picture of each part of the story in chronological order. They demonstrated logic and problem-solving skills, as well as teamwork and an excellent understanding of the story.



Year 3 Multi Skills Festival Trip

This week year 3 had a fantastic time on their multi skills festival sports trip. They played a variety of dodgeball games practising their throwing and catching skills. They played against each other and against other schools for friendly competition. They then learned a dance and perfected their moves for performance. Well done year 3 for representing our school so well in the public!



Year 4 Explore the 'States of Matter'

This week, Year 4 have enjoyed exploring their new topics for this term. In Science, we have started to explore 'States of Matter' and how materials can be grouped into solids, liquids and gases. We explored what the particles of each group look like and showed this in groups by pretending to be the particles ourselves. We then showed fantastic teamwork and categorised different objects in groups of solids, liquids and gases.



Year 5 Piece of Mind

This week, Year 5 had a visit from Eve from the Piece of Mind Team, focusing on friendships. We were introduced to characters who were having friendship troubles and discussed what they could do. We learnt the strategy of belly breathing and created our own self-soothe ideas to help us calm down in certain situations.



Year 6 'Our Changing World'

This week, Year 6 have started their new geography topic named 'Our Changing World'. Within the topic, the children will be exploring all about time zones, longitude and latitude, grid references and contour lines. This week, we focused on time zones and learnt that the Prime Meridian is the starting point for all the other meridians, and it runs through Greenwich, London. We explored what meridians are, how many the world is split into and how many degrees apart each meridian is. After that, we calculated different time zones around the world.



The menu for week beginning 15th January is Week 1. School dinners are £12.50 per week, paid online by Monday please. Our school menu can now be found on our website. If you would like to look at the options with your child, please use the following link.

<http://www.sacristonacademy.co.uk/school-information/lunch-menu>

Class Attendance



Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.21%	92.03%	94.03%	92.19%	96.50%	93.43%	92.33%	86.83%

The government expectation is 96% attendance for individual pupils and school. Attendance and punctuality really matter to your child's education - every day counts! When your child's attendance drops below 95% school will begin monitoring. Referrals to the local authority may also be made if there is no improvement seen.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 16th January

Monday 22nd January

Monday 29th January

Wednesday 14th February

Friday 16th February

Thursday 7th March

Tuesday 19th March

Tuesday 26th March

Y4 Sports Trip

Uniform Swap Shop 3pm

Nurses in school for Dental Survey for Reception / Year 1

EY Stay and Play 10:30am

BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

Y1 Sports Festival

Y5 Rugby Sports Trip

Y1/Y2 Bunny Bingo + Easter Crafts 9:15am (More info to follow soon)

Y5/Y6 Bunny Bingo + Easter Crafts 1pm (More info to follow soon)

Y3/Y4 Bunny Bingo + Easter Crafts 2:15pm (More info to follow soon)

Parent Consultations F2F

Wednesday 27th March

Early Years Stay and Play 10:30am

Parent Consultations Phone Call

Friday 29th March

SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY

Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Awards were presented today to the following children who have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Riley- May Pinkney

Reception: Harry Elliott

Year 1: Eleanor Barker- Lawton

Year 2: Scarlett Nixon

Year 3: Ellie Zand

Year 4: Kian Wingfield

Year 5: Tyler Mason

Year 6: Sophie Bladen

Well done!

Class Awards this week were presented to **Year 1** in Key Stage 1 and **Year 4** in Key Stage 2 for their general behaviour at playtime and lunchtime! Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!