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Friday 23rd October 2026

NURSERY and RECEPTION

On Wednesday, Nursery and Reception welcomed in their family for a Room on the Broom stay and play. The children enjoyed making pumpkin soup and special potions. The children designed their own spooky witches hats and broomsticks.















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YEAR 1

In Year 1 this week the children have started our topic of Seasonal changes in Science which we will continue over the year. We have been exploring Autumn this week. The children have been learning about how the colours change on the leaves in Autumn and why this happens. Our topic is observational so the children have been talking about the things that they have observed and what is 'usual' in Autumn.







Chase-'We have lots of rainbows in Autumn because we have sun and rain together. We don't have rainbows in winter because there is not enough sun.'
Mia- 'In Autumn we have brown, yellow, brown and some green leaves on the trees and floor. '
Christopher- 'The leaves fall off the tree in autumn because there isn't enough sun and lots of rain.'

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YEAR 2

Last week, Year 2 took part in a Cross Country Festival, where the children showed great enthusiasm and determination. They completed a race that helped them develop their perseverance, resilience and understanding of the importance of staying active and healthy. Everyone tried their best, encouraged one another and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the event. We had a fantastic time and were very proud of the children's positive attitudes and achievements.

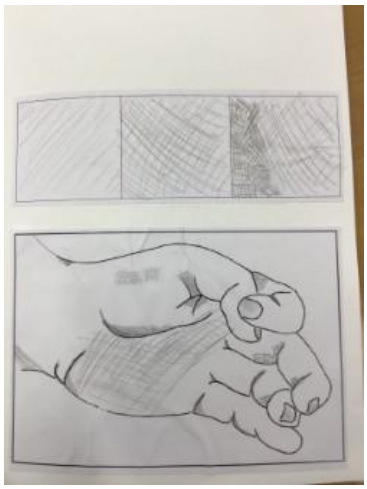






YEAR 3

This week we have been learning about LS Lowry in art and how he focuses on matchstick drawings. We practiced our crosshatching skills as well as shading and drawing simple figures. We have applied these to our landscape drawing where we focused on perspective, making sure to put detailed drawings in the front of the pictures and less detailed drawings in the back.







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YEAR 4

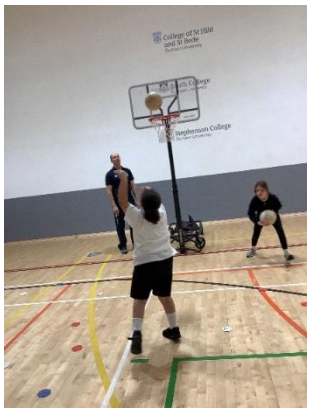
On Monday, Year 4 enjoyed the afternoon at Maiden Castle. The children took part in lots of netball games, skills activities and learnt the importance of teamwork. The children worked well together in their teams and showed good communication. Year 4 enjoyed passing the ball around in different ways and using different throwing to get it into the hoop.











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YEAR 5

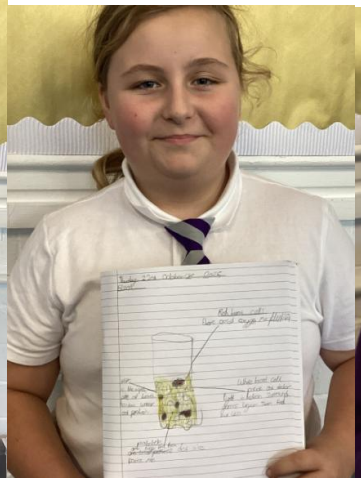
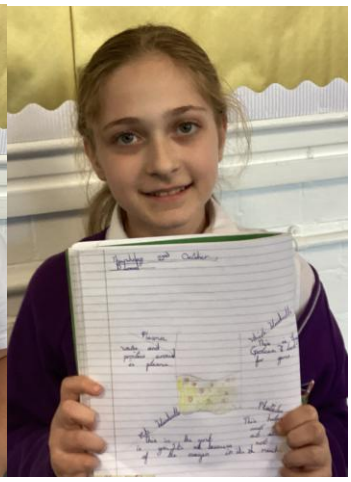
As a final project as part of their 'Brilliant Biomes' geography topic this half term, the children in Year 5 have been creating their very own 'Biome in a box' diorama. They selected either rainforest, tundra, temperate forest, desert or aquatic and proceeded to design their biome. They have painted their backdrops to their designs and are currently adding to these with a range of materials to develop the flora and fauna of their chosen biome.





YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 took part in an engaging science lesson all about the different components of blood. To help bring their learning to life, the children created their own edible model of blood using a range of ingredients. After creating their blood models, the children demonstrated their understanding by writing detailed explanations about the different components of blood and their functions.

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Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.1%	95.5%	95.2%	95.4%	96.8%	93.7%	94.2%	93.7%

Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Y1** and **Y4.**

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Ayda J
Reception: Carson M
Year 1: Cody B
Year 2: Theo B
Year 3: Lewis L
Year 4: Olivia N
Year 5: Scarlett N
Year 6: Ellie Z



Perfect Presentation:
Reception: Jakson SM
Year 1: Eliza H
Year 2: Laura B
Year 3: Hunter J
Year 4: Freddie E
Year 5: Layla P
Year 6: Toby H



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Reader of the Month

Reception: Heather D
Year 1: Alfie U
Year 2: Abigail P
Year 3: Harry E
Year 4: Ollie B
Year 5: Willow E
Year 6: Lincoln

Mathematician of the Month

Reception: Jaziel S
Year 1: Eliza H
Year 2: Tommy D
Year 3: Ella-Rose E
Year 4: Cruz B
Year 5: Ben J
Year 6: Aarav A



Author of the Month

Reception: Charlie R
Year 1: Gary T
Year 2: Lilly F
Year 3: Grayson I
Year 4: Susan W
Year 5: Zara H
Year 6: Louie C

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Breakfast Club

We offer the Government's Free Breakfast Club programme. All children from Reception to Year 6 are welcome to join us for a healthy breakfast free of charge before the school day begins. The start time is 8.15am.

In addition, we offer the option of an Early Drop Off Breakfast Club at a charge of £1.50 per day. This service can be accessed from 7.50am.

School Dinners

We have a new autumn/winter menu starting after the half term holidays. If you would like your child to start on school dinners, please contact the school office. School meals are £3.08 per day/£15.40 per week to be paid by the Friday afternoon.

Autumn /Winter Menu

Free School Meals

We encourage all parents/carers that have not already done so to complete the free school meals checker below. The guidelines have changed and more children are now entitled to free school meals.

Free School Meals Eligibility Checker

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After School Clubs

Day	Club	Year Group
Every Monday	Sports - Ball Games	Y1 Y2
Every Monday	Booster	Y6
Every Tuesday	Booster	Y6
Tuesday 10th 17th 24th November and 1st December	Computing Club	Y3 Y4 Y5
Thursday 12th 19th 26th November and 3rd December	Drama	Y1 Y2
Thursday 12th 19th 26th November and 3rd December	Christmas Crafts	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6

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Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 9th November	Return To School
Wednesday 11th November	Face to Face Parent Consultations
Thursday 12th November	Telephone Parent Consultations
Friday 13th November	Reception – Year 6 Flu Vaccinations
Friday 13th November	Year 2 Athletics Festival
Friday 13th November	Children in Need
Friday 20th November	Non Uniform Day (in lieu of chocolate donations towards Christmas Fayre)
Monday 30th November	Choir performing at Sacriston Extravaganza
Friday 4th December 14:30	Christmas Fayre
Friday 11th December	Travelling Panto In School (Jack & The Beanstalk)
Tuesday 15th December (AM)	Early Years Nativity
Tuesday 15th December (PM)	Key Stage 1 Nativity
Wednesday 16th December (AM)	Early Years Stay and Play
Friday 18th December	Break Up For Christmas
Tuesday 5th January 2027	Return To School