

19th January 2024



Coming Up

Updates will appear weekly on here when we have events coming up in school.

Our children have been learning about the different parts of a flower and how they grow. They have been using their knowledge to create a flower craft. The children have been very creative and have made some beautiful flowers. We will be displaying them in the school hall.

Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar

02.02.24 NSPCC Number Day

Week Commencing 05.02.24

05.02.24 Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

08.02.24 EYFS Stay and Read and Phonics Parent Drop In Session

09.02.24 Last day before half term

19.02.24 Inset Day

20.02.24 School re-opens for new half term

Week Commencing 26.02.24

28.02.24 Parents Evening - letter to follow

Week Commencing 04.03.24

04.03.24 SEND Parents Evening - letter to follow

07.03.24 World Book Day

Week Commencing 18.03.24

Easter Bonnets

Easter Scenes

Easter Crafts in School

22.03.24 School finishes for Easter Holidays

08.04.24 School Re opens for Summer Term

Update from the Head



Hi everyone

A frosty and chilly end to the week! Please wrap your children up nice and warm, and please label coats, scarves and gloves. Children do need to be outside for play and lunchtimes whenever possible.

It's been so good this week to focus on science. Each class has a science box, delivered from Delta, with science equipment in. We believe science should be a practical lesson wherever possible. The photo below is of Miss Slater, showing pupils how sunglasses protect our eyes from harmful UV rays. Y3 have been proving that sun protection cream shields our skin from UV rays. They've used UV beads, a UV torch and a range of different sun creams. What a great experiment.



Just quickly, our C system is really easy to learn. For wrong choices we say "C1 choice" then "C2 warning" then "C3 consequence"



Early Years



This week Reception have been exploring 1 more and 1 less in maths, extending their learning with representing numbers to 5. In writing we are busy learning about our story The Gingerbread man. I wonder if they can retell you the story?

Nursery have continued to learn about Goldilocks and the Three Bears and this week we have changed a part of the story. I wonder if your child can tell you which part! Meanwhile in Maths, the children have extended their learning of number three by counting and saying how many altogether. In other news, Forest school on Friday was another success.

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



Year 1 have been doing lots of amazing work this week!

In Science this week we have been looking at animal groups and learning new vocabulary including 'amphibians'.

In writing we have been creating amazing short burst writes focusing on first person and connectives such as, first, next and soon after.

We have explored numbers to 20 in maths, making sure we are confident with ordering numbers to 20 and comparing numbers. Using the vocabulary greater and smaller.

Miss Scott



Year 2



Year 2 have been doing lots of amazing learning this week! We have been taking a look at Pontefract Castle in our history lessons and learning about the best defensive features of castles.

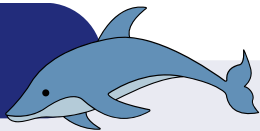
In art, we looked at what weaving is. We looked at a variety of different materials but decided that wool is the best to use for weaving!

We have also had an extra special treat this week with Mr Irving coming to read us one of his favourite books, 'Superworm', at lights down story time.

Mr Bryan and Miss Colley



Year 3



This week we have been looking at mining in History! Some of our children recreated what it would be like to work down the mine, as we moved the tables together, put dark cloth over the top and made some of the children pull a box through, to recreate what children their age had to do! They loved it, but said they wouldn't want to do it as a job!

In Science we asked the question 'how can the sun be a harmful light source?' we looked at the effects of UV lights on UV beads, and the kids loved investigating the different sun creams and whether they protected the beads or not!

Miss Slater



Year 4



Another great week in year 4.

This week, Mrs Cutler and Miss Mills have been blown away by everyone's writing. We have been writing about heartless Princess who refuses to accept love. Everyone has created fantastic descriptive pieces of writing. They should be incredibly proud of themselves.

Please look out for letter regarding swimming being sent out next week. Year 4 will start swimming after February half term and continue to the end of the year.

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



What another amazing week we have had in Year 5! I have been so amazed by their maths skills. We have been multiplying 4 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers and multiplying 2 digit numbers by 2 digit numbers. Keep up the good work!

Also this week in Year 5 we have begun a lunch club that focuses on imagination games. This is run by some year 5 children who attended an imagination games activity day. This club has got off to a great start and the children have really enjoyed it. The club will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunchtime and will be open to other year groups in the coming weeks with year 5 children leading it.

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Mrs Parish

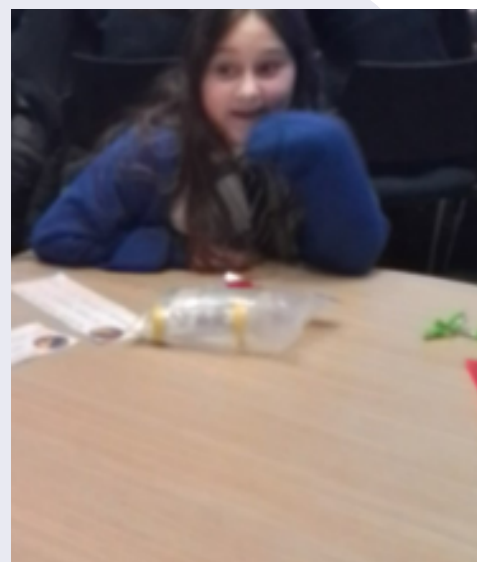


Year 6



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This week, we have been exceptionally proud of the hard work, effort and positive attitudes that the children have had to testing week. This week the children have really enjoyed learning and completing investigations in science that allowed them to investigate how voltage can be changed within a circuit. To end the week, the children enjoyed joining the science mavericks and learning about global warming.



Safeguarding



Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority.

Miss C Milton:
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs C Carratt:
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mr D Irving:
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

All staff have received Safeguarding training to ensure that they can recognise signs and symptoms of abuse and also how to report/act if a disclosure is made.

Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child? Contact us: 01977 722486

Out of hours contact number:
03458 503503

For more information:
<https://www.elacademy.org.uk/knowledge-base/safeguarding/>

Mrs J Simons: Thrive Practitioner

Mrs H Cutler: SENDCO

Thrive



Providing children with positive experiences and strategies to embed emotional resilience.

We use The Thrive Approach as a whole school strategy to promote positive mental health and wellbeing of which when this is present in children's lives it has been proven to improve their attendance, behaviour and attainment.

This allows our children to become confident, curious, creative and capable, therefore opens doors to a bright future for our children.

If you would like any more information, please visit: www.elacademy.org.uk/thrive-mental-health-wellbeing/

Mrs J Simons
Thrive Practitioner

NEWSFLASH

We are thrilled to announce that England Lane has achieved Ambassador Thrive of Excellence in 3 different areas; Environment, Reparative, Right Time.

These achievements are recognitions of how Thrive has been a successful impact within multiple areas of our academy. This success is thanks to the whole school embracing The Thrive Approach.



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