



Pupil star of the week

LL: AM: Evelyn for trying really hard to learn new words and communicating them effectively

LL: PM: Inaaya for her fantastic creative skills this week. Her snowman picture in particular was very impressive!

CC: AM: Zoie- For trying really hard in phonics and persevering when faced with a challenge

CC: PM: Freddie- For his amazing writing both at home and at school. We love that you're always challenging yourself further.

BB: Henri for always doing the right thing, trying your hardest and supporting your friends.

SS 1: Saffa for showing she cares by keeping our classroom clean and tidy and by caring so much to produce a fantastic piece of writing independently on Thursday. Well done!

SS 1/2: Reuben for demonstrating he can be a knowledgeable and expert learner by listening more carefully during focus tasks. Well done Reuben, keep up the hard work.

DD 2: Alfie Webster - For trying so extremely hard in his maths arithmetic paper and for always using his wonderful manners!

SS 3/4: Caleb - going the extra mile during home learning, he has completed everything set for him, wonderful work

BB 3/4: Oliver - for doing so well with his Lexia reading work and being so kind and helpful to everyone. Oliver has helped his community by tidying up the headphones and computers every time they have done reading. Well done Oliver!

WW 3/4: Mylie for showing that she cares and, in particular with helping a friend to make the right choices.

OO 5: Everyone in Otters! For being confident communicators and showing your care and passion of learning towards our Earth and Space theme, particularly with our visitor from the Wonderdome.

SS 5: Victoria Kaleja for her continuing effort with her work. She reads everyday, she does extra work with her spellings and she is always engaged in lessons. This girl will go far with her attitude to learning. Well done Vic!

LL 6: Kelsie Mongan - for confidently communicating during drama sessions on Ancient Greece and in the role of Everest climbers, and taking great care with all of her learning. We're lucky to have you in 6LL!

MM 6: Lucy Marshall - For her confident communication and becoming a knowledge expert in properties of shape and angles and her knowledge about Ancient Greece.





What we've done this week

Lively Ladybirds: This week we have been learning to match colours together, counting to 5 and working on which has more or fewer. In phonic we have tried to match instrument sounds to animal noises.

Curious Caterpillars: This week we have been learning how to move in a variety of ways and balance on different equipment in PE

Brilliant Butterflies: This week we have been learning about the Queen. We have been creating royal portraits, writing missing posters and making our very own crowns.

Swooping Starlings: We had a great visit to sing and move in Ladyhill Park with some good geographical discussion on the way. Well done everyone.

Successful Swans: This week we have visited Ladyhill Park for another fantastic musical and movement development session. We found our way to the lark using an aerial map of our local area (we didn't get lost so that's a successful Geography lesson).

Daring Ducklings: This week we have also visited LadyHill park where we worked with Mr Morrison learning how to move out body to music and we absolutely loved being outside!

Stupendous Squirrels: This week has been certainly different from our homes, but WOW, what an effort from the squirrels - you have worked incredibly hard and we are so proud.

Blissful Badgers: We have enjoyed making scientific observations of soil and our wormery this week. We have also enjoyed working on our Geography leaflets and learning about the physical features of Skara Brae.

Wondrous Whales: This week we had our first music lesson with Miss Varley. We used symbols to create a beat and learn about rhythm and keeping time.

Omniscient Otters: This week we have been working hard on finding the perimeter of rectilinear shapes. We had to show great perseverance and strategic thinking to solve the answers. We also loved going to the Wonderdome to support our learning about space and linked this to our science lesson all about shadows! Some great discussions!

Super Seals: Another great week in Seals. Attendance has been brilliant again. These hours the children are getting in class will make a big difference down the line so well done parents aswell. Great class! Have a good weekend.

Leaping Lions: This week, we continued to read Everest and prepared to write our diary entries about the British expedition at Mount Everest in 1953 with some superb hot seating - I was delighted with our knowledge and ability to answer in character!

Magnificent Monkeys: This week we have been green screening our debate as to which city state the children would prefer to live in - Athens or Sparta. The children have also been developing their knowledge about the properties of shape and angles.



Important Notices

1. Year 5 has a drama workshop on Monday- I hope this is a real success.
2. Swans will be going to Nell Bank next week- Mrs Gibbons has already sent letters out. We are very lucky that this visit is free- thank you Nell Bank for your support.
3. PSCO Jo Cato is also in school working with Year 3 and 4
4. Christmas cards- a letter and guidance will come out about giving and receiving cards this week.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 1st December- in the afternoon we will be decorating classrooms

Monday 7th December- our school Christingle service in bubbles with Harry leading this service

Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day and donate £1

Tuesday 15th December- We have a special visitor in school who will bring his 8 very special friends to deliver presents to every child in school.

Wednesday 16th December- Christmas Dinner

Thursday 17th December- Christmas Parties in the afternoon

Friday 18th December- Non uniform for all- wear something festive.

A letter will come out with these dates on

Social distancing

Remember social distancing is the key thing which will reduce the spread so we all need to be challenging this if it is not happening. Please keep your distance from other people not in your bubble.

Ventilation

Windows must be kept open to allow air to pass through regularly. This must happen to make sure all classrooms have fresh air inside.

Masks

Please support the school and each other by wearing a mask on site.

Head Teacher's comment

I have really enjoyed this week! It never ceases to amaze me that each and every day our staff bring out the best in our children. My highlights this week are:

1. Seeing Mrs Gibbons class visit Lady Hill park and use a map to find their way there and back.
2. Seeing pupils in Year 5 be able to talk about what they learnt yesterday and how they can use that in the next lesson- I was so impressed. I also loved your chatterpix videos about space.
3. Some excellent diary entries in Year 6- your writing is wonderful and some of the authors on twitter think so too.
4. I loved seeing Year 3/4 develop their musical vocabulary this week- next week we are starting playing our brass instruments!
5. Finally I just loved to see our Reception children back in PE- I love watching this lesson- what a joy!

It was wonderful to see PSCO Cato in school again to discuss how to keep safe online- our children spoke really well about that this week.

We also have had a favourite visitor of mine in this week- the Wonderdome. Year 5 experienced what it was like to be in space and see some of the stars- an amazing visitor!

Our key theme this week has been peacemaker or peacebreaker and Mr Wallis class will be using this to talk to us about how we can do this later on Friday. I forgot to mention that we also had some visitors for worship from Squirrels and I know Mrs Wooton has managed to get over half the class learning online- well done!

I hope you have a lovely weekend. Congratulations to all our Golden Book, Hot chocolate and Writer of the week winners- I wonder who will win Star of the Week this week!

Have safe and happy weekend- #staysafe



Photos from this week

