Mrs Mason's Messages



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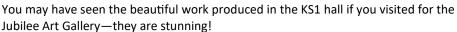
Headteacher's Weekly Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy week with lots going on in school every day and the sun has been shining! We loved welcoming parents to our Jubilee Art Gallery on Wednesday to admire our portraits of the Queen through the decades. Year 4 were busy with a Linking Schools workshop on Tuesday and their multiplication checks towards the end of the week. Year 1 have wowed us with their phonics knowledge and Year 6 have learnt some drama skills as part of their transition workshop at the end of this week. We have been continuing to focus on manners in the dining hall and it was 'Cornetto Friday' for 10 children with impeccable politeness to finish the week. Unfortunately it looks like the best of the weather has deserted us, just in time for the weekend, but do have fun whatever it is you do. Mrs Mason

School News

It has been a busy week across school! Year 4, as part of their Linking Schools work, had a workshop with Cecil Green Arts this week, making and painting their very own kites! This took a full morning and then they took part in a remote with our Linking School, Lady Royd, to complete the day.



Thank you to so many parents and families for visiting our art gallery this week! It was wonderful to welcome so many of you into school and the children were delighted to have their work viewed. Thank you, also, for the comments received on the quality of the artwork displayed - we are lucky to have so many talented artists - pupils and staff!- and it was great to see the progression in portraiture from EYFS to Year 6.

All children in school have taken home their own copy of a memorial book for the Platinum Jubilee today—we hope they enjoy reading them and keep them as a souvenir of this historic event.







Meet a Governor - Emma Corbet

Last week our school council interviewed Emma Corbet, one of our Foundation Governors, to find out more about her and her role. She told them she had wanted to be a governor to help the school grow as it doubled in size, to continue to strengthen learning within the school and to make sure it is a safe space. They also found out that her favourite number is number 7 because it is lucky!

SMSC

Our SMSC (Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural) focus this term is 'Who We Are'. We have been reflecting in our classes this week on our own unique skills and talents who we are, what makes us special and what we are thankful for, linking to our Worship theme. Our reflection areas are set up on this theme and they have been an integral part of our worship this week, giving pupils an opportunity to reflect on who they are thankful for in their class communities and how we are special.

Worship Our Worship

theme this half term is thankfulness. On 11th June it was the Feast day of St Barnabas. He is often called 'St Barnabas the Encourager' and we have been reflecting on how we can encourage others. Our worship has focused on what unique skills we all bring to our school and thanking and encouraging each other. Children have been writing encouragement notes in our reflective area and I delivered them all today to their happy recipients. I even got a few myself!

Prayer



Dear God

Thank you that we are all so different. Thank you for our personalities, our gifts, our talents, our own uniqueness.

Help us to value each other and celebrate our differences. Help us to be thankful for the special ways in which each of us contribute to our whole school family.



In the Spotlight

As part of their transition work to secondary school, Year 6 have had a special drama workshop this week, 6KB on one day and 6VW another. The children have worked so hard and learnt new skills, working with one another to produce a 'play in a day'. I hand over to a Year 6 reporter to tell you all about it:

<u>Year 6 Konflux Day</u>

By Elsie-Bow

On Thursday the 16th of June, we had a Konflux day, filled with drama, fun and amazing acting. The play we did was all about Year sixes turning into Year sevens. We performed our perfect play in Idle c of e Primary School in the Key Stage two hall. All day – 4 and a half hours – we practiced our awesome, high-school play, and at the end, we performed it to the other year 6 class (6KB). A friendly man, who helped us, made up all the scenes along the way. He was very kind but had to be harsh at times, so we could get all the scenes right. We had lots of nerves while practising and performing, but we pushed through it, did our best, and did great!

Feelings

When we first started the play, I didn't really want to do it, as I'm not too confident in my acting. But as we got further into it, I really enjoyed it and got involved! While I was doing my two parts, I felt a bit nervous in-case I did it wrong, but luckily I did everything right! While we were performing, I felt a bit worried again because there was a lot more people this time, and also Miss Webb was filming on the I pad, so I had to do it right! Luckily, everything went perfect and I got all my lines right. After we finished the play, I felt sad that it was over but happy I got the opportunity to have a Konflux day.

Scenes

In our play, there was lots of different scenes. Including: Introduction, Teachers, Maps, Homework, Lessons and more. Here is about them. In the introduction, the children explained what we're doing in this play. They added a bit of humour too, and the rest of the class got to join in with certain parts too. In the teacher part, we talked about the different teachers we will have in secondary school and what lessons they might teach. The people who led this part were 5 or 6 people. The rest of the class got to join in again too. In the maps part, we spoke about how big high-school will be and why we will need a map (I also had my part here too). In the homework part, we explained that you will get homework in high-school, but we have a special item which can help us with homework and much more. The planner! And lastly in the lessons part, we talked about what lessons we will have in high-school and that you can drop certain lessons once you get to Year 9. We also had some more scenes, but these were the main ones.

Conclusion

To conclude, Konflux day was an amazing day! The acting was super good, I really enjoyed acting myself and watching my class act. And we also didn't have to do any work! Performing was really fun too! I also liked how we could really express ourselves while acting, and feel happy and free. The only thing I disliked was the hall being too hot and stuffy, which made it a bit hard to add lots of drama! Other than that, I really enjoyed Konflux day, and I wish it could happen all over again.





Events

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the Early Help workshop for parents, meet the Early Help team and find out about the services available to support parents.

Wednesday 29th June 2-3pm - please contact the office to reserve a place.

Community Diary Dates

Tuesday 21st June—Y6 'Boy 87' event, Valley Parade



Wednesday 22nd June—Yorkshire Sculpture Park visit—Y1

Thursday 23rd June 9am—Y2 class assembly

Friday 24th June 9am—Y3 class assembly

Friday 24th June—Y6 whole school fundraiser

Wednesday 29th June—Early Help workshop 2-3pm