

Bridgewater Spring 2 Newsletter

29th March 2018

A Message from Mrs Henderson

Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support over another school term. As you can see, the children have been very busy in their learning. Please do check out our school's twitter feed for regular updates on all the activities that the children are involved in.

It was great to see so many of you at Parents' Evening this term. Please do let us know if you can request a parent-teacher meeting at any time during the school year.

We hope that you all have a happy and peaceful Easter break and look forward to working with you next half term.

School Council

The School Council just like to say a big thank you for all of your support during the first half term and for helping us with our fundraising efforts. Our Valentine's KS2 raised a wonderful £360.64 and your contribution of £265.65 of chocolate goodies helped to make our Easter bingo a huge success. We will update you with the total amount raised soon. Thank you very much. We hope you have a lovely Easter break.

Thank you to everybody who took part in the Sport Relief Fundraiser. We raised £265.65.

All money raised will be sent to the Sports Relief Foundation.



Nursery

We have had a book filled half term! The children have listened and heard lots of stories over the last few weeks. However, we chose Goldilocks, the Three Little Pigs and Little Red Riding Hood to explore in more detail. We created our role play area, painted the houses, investigated the best materials to use for the houses with, as well as how strong they are. (Even all 26 children tried to see if the building could not make it move!) We also wrote a traditional tale by far has been the most popular - Little Red Riding Hood!

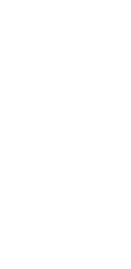


Nursery enjoying their favourite traditional tales

Important Dates for the second half term

- 19th April 2018 - Health & Fitness at AJ B
- 20th April 2018 - Tennis Cluster at St Edm
- 23rd April 2018 - Phonics meeting for par
- 24th April 2018 - Audiology testing
- 25th April 2018 - GPS Test (2SR)
- Class assembly (1
- Girl's football Cluster at S
- 26th April 2018 - Health & Fitness at AJ B
- 27th April 2018 - Girl's Cluster event at St Ed
- 30th April 2018 - Parent's SATS meetin
- 7th May 2018 - May Day - Bank ho
- 9th May 2018 - Class assembly (Y
- 14th May - 17th Ma - KS2 SATS Test
- 16th May - 18th Ma - Royal Wedding wor
- 21st May 2018 - Fire Safety Talk (Y
- 24th May 2018 - Parent worksho
- 25th May 2018 - School closes for Summe

Reception



waiting for the books to hatch.

Reception have had a brilliant half-term learning about traditional tales. We read 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We have had some great discussions about the key events and describing the characters. We really enjoyed using our imaginations to explore these stories, dressing up and recreating the roles.

We had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day, we had a parade to school in our costumes to the whole school. We then talked about our favourite books to read and even did some writing about the characters we dressed up as.

This week we have all been so excited about our new arrivals in Reception. We have been learning the life cycle of a chicken and are currently looking after six eggs. We have been learning about how to take care of our chicks and we have started writing chick diaries. We are looking closely at the chicks and we will be writing down the changes that happen over the next few days. We are really looking forward to watching them hatch and grow!



Year 1

Year One have had a very busy half term! We had lots of fun dressed up as our favourite book characters on World Book Day. On the day we took part in lots of fun activities; we particularly enjoyed the book scavenger hunt.

This half term we've also visited Quarry Bank Mill. We learned about the differences between rich and poor children in the Victorian era. We found out about the differences in the toys that rich and poor children played with, the clothes they wore and the education they received. We also visited the Apprentice House where we had the opportunity to write with slate and chalk, empty chamber pots and clean and polish in the kitchen. Year One decided that it's much better being a child in the 21st Century but still had a great day!

For our next term we are looking forward to learning about the local area.



Having fun at Quarry Bank Mill



Year 2

Year 2 have been very busy. We have been learning about stories in English, looking at The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl and writing non-chronological reports about the parts of the story.

We have been practising multiplication and division on a number line, using money and giving change. We have also been learning about mass and read scales when measuring weight, length and mass. We have also made a 2D shape and built our own.

We are carrying on with our Topic on Salford and Africa, comparing life in both of these places. We had lots of fun on our trip to Knowsley Safari Park and loved learning all about different animals in Africa.

Our topic has been 'Living things and habitats'. We have been learning about different animals and why they are suited to their habitats.



Year 3



This half term we have enjoyed finishing our Stone Age topic in History. We have read and written Stone Age stories and even had a go at painting like our ancient ancestors. We were proud to perform our class play at assembly for our parents and friends. We had a great time at Manchester Museum becoming archaeologists and exploring stone age artefacts.

Next term we will be exploring our planet and finding out about how angry it can sometimes be. In Science we will be learning about different types of rocks and where they come from.

Year 4

Year 4 in Year 4 had been extremely busy! We have been working hard in both Maths and English; producing amazing pieces of writing based on the diary of an American soldier during World War II. We continued with this theme for our topic where we produced sketches of soldiers faces, made medals and used ink patterns to produce patterns from the text 'Friend or Foe.' As well as this, we had an unexpected visit from a Viking Warrior who was immersing us in the life of a Viking. We loved learning about the different weapons and we even took part in a Viking feast!



Year 5

Year 5 this half term, we have been learning about the Egyptians. We took part in a workshop with the help of the parents to complete an Egyptian collar using macaroni and metallic paint. Furthermore, during our history lessons, we have been learning about the pyramids and the mummification process. In our English lessons, we have continued to explore the story 'Holes' by writing a piece of discursive writing about whether there should be capital punishment to convict someone of their crime. In Science, we have been taking part in exciting experiments. In memory of Stephen Hawking we all took part in a science experiment to test the theory of a 'black hole' and explain how they behave.



Year 6

Year 6 have had a wonderful half-term and are working hard in preparation for their SATs. In English, the children have been learning Shakespearean poems by heart and exploring the wonderful book- The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by Shaun Tan. In science, the children have been learning about evolution and inheritance in plants and animals. They have researched famous scientific figures like Charles Darwin and Mary Anning. Plus, the children have also created their own fossils to study the process of fossilisation and what they can tell us about the past.



School reopens on Monday 19th April 2018