



RECEPTION

Just like that, another week has flown by!

We have continued to enjoy our topic learning on amazing animals, exploring ocean habitats and the fantastic animals that live there. We have watched videos of the Great Barrier Reef and learned about the different types of animals that live in shallow seas. There are so many different animals and it was really fun to see which ones we could spot.

We have been loving our literacy books this week! 'Weirdo' is a heartwarming story about Maud who is new and has a hard time at first because the others think she is weird. Over time she realises that what they initial though was weird was actually what made her so wonderful. We have spent the week talking about and embracing the things that make us unique because we're all a little bit weird and that is part of what makes us wonderful

We hope you all have a wonderful long weekend! From Reception

Next Week's Show & Tell: Darwin House (Imogen, Cameron, Max, Ayan)













Friday 3rd May 2024

MR MOTION'S MEMO

We are so proud of Year 4, who returned from their first residential trip having mastered tunnel trails, zip wires, giant swings, problem-solving exercises and more. It was lovely to see the children so full of enthusiasm and telling tales of their adventures as they arrived back at school this afternoon. Year 6 are up next, they're off to the Isle of Wight for an adventure of their own the week after next.

The book fair has been in school this week and it's lovely to see so many of you sharing vouchers with class teachers or visiting the stall in person.

Thank you to the parent volunteers who have helped to run the event after school.

We are always looking for new and exciting workshops and events for the children and we continue to update dates for diaries. We've recently added cycle and scooter workshops, class trips, fixtures and sports day. We're now finalising plans for a whole school end of term trip in the final week of term. We look forward to sharing the details with you soon.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend - we look forward to seeing you at the normal time on Tuesday 7th May.









YEAR 1

It's a rainy end to a bright week in Year 1.

In Maths, we have been exploring groups. We know we can group by making groups, or by sharing. We have been using physical objects to help us group and divide, and are beginning to use pictorial representations for our learning.

In English, we created journey maps with our peers to represent where the bear travelled and what they saw in "The Sea Saw." We then planned our own story, using the key structure of 'The Sea Saw'. We loved orally sharing them with our friends!

In RE, we are continuing to learn about Hinduism and this week discussed details of a Hindu wedding. We recognised some parts of a Hindu wedding, as Mridvika had recently attended a wedding and shared photos and videos with us!

In Science, we enjoyed observing the growth of our plants and were surprised at some of our results! We explored our local area in search of plants and trees, noticing their parts.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend, Year 1.

Friday Spellings: Sheet 5 Next Show & Tell: Newton House (Eriife, Liam, Annabelle, Jude, Samuel)







YEAR 3

This week Year 3 have have enjoyed engaging in new learning experiences while getting their creative juices running!

In English Year 3 really enjoyed discussing the differences between fantasy and reality based literature. Children had the task of sorting a variety of fictional and non-fictional text into these categories based upon clues from the front cover. They also justified their reasons within sentences using a variety of conjunctions.

In Science, we recapped the features of a plant and also learnt about their various functions. Children were challenged to think about whether a plant could survive without soil and what would happen to a plant if it had no leaves.

In DT Year 3 were taken on a cultural journey across west Africa to learn about the origins and history of African wax print (Ankara). We learnt how the fabric is made and discussed the symbolism behind the materials designs. Children described the materials as vibrant and colourful and were intrigued to learn that the material is used as a form of communication among African women.

In Computing the children thoroughly enjoyed designing their school playgrounds in preparation for using Cad to bring their ideas to 3D reality!

Have a restful bank holiday weekend!





YEAR 2

It has been an inspiring week in the Einstein and Lovelace classrooms!

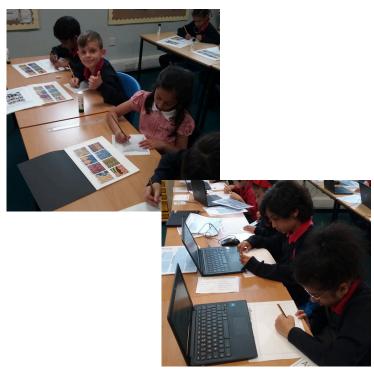
In literature, our young writers explored various styles inspired by "Where Ocean Meets Sky," crafting persuasive advertisements, reflective diary entries, and more. They delved deep into storytelling, igniting their imaginations.

Mathematics saw our students continues diving into fractions, building on their understanding of grouping and times tables. Through interactive activities, they embraced the challenge with enthusiasm, strengthening their mathematical foundations.

History came alive as we delved into Nelson Mandela's life, connecting his story to other freedom fighters. Our students gained insights into courage and resilience, learning valuable lessons from the past.

Promoting holistic well-being, we focused on healthy diets. Parents, expect nutritious lunch requests as our students embrace balanced nutrition.

Thank you for your support. Together, we are nurturing a love for learning and empowering our students to thrive.



YEAR 4

"Exciting" hardly does justice to Year 4's adventurous week, as they ventured out on their first-ever residential trip. Here's a report from the scene...

What an exhilarating day!

We started early and plunged straight into the excitement with a thrilling session of Zip Wire. It was amazing to see the children's bravery as they conquered their fears. Next up was Problem Solving, where we put our heads together to tackle some tricky challenges. The Giant Swings brought heaps of laughter and fun as we soared through the air. Then came the Tunnel Trails, where everyone showed incredible bravery navigating through the darkness. Ending the day with a Quiz night was the perfect way to unwind and have some educational fun. It's no surprise that some of the children don't want to leave – we're having such a blast!

Now it's time for an early night (children just had hot chocolate) and recharge for another day of adventures tomorrow.

Also, visiting the gift shop was the cherry on top of an already fantastic day. These memories and pictures will be cherished forever!

No doubt we will be hearing much more about Year 4's exploits on their return!





YEAR 5

It was another busy week in Year 5, full of positivity and progress across areas of the curriculum.

In English, year 5 produced a persuasive poster for the Titanic, as a part of our text, 'Kaspar, Prince of Cats.' They included a mix of exaggerated language, catchy slogans and bright colours to capture attention. They are becoming secure at writing for different purposes.

In R.E., we explored the story Daniel and the Lions Den and how different types of persecution affects people in the world today. Conversations in Year 5 during R.E., lessons are always thought-provoking, with a challenged mindset and respect for other viewpoints.

In Science, we started looking at different life cycles, such as mammals, amphibians and birds. The children can compare different characteristics and features, as they prepare to go into more detail next week by writing an non-chronological report.

.In Computing, the children had fun exploring AR and VR. They filmed short clips in different parts of the school and adapted their videos using overlays. Thank you for your continued support with your child's homework record!

Spelling test - 10/05: Column 2

Have a good long weekend.

YEAR 6

A busy week as ever for Year 6 as we countdown the final weeks of our primary education.. In R.E., we read the story of the Khalsa Brotherhood, retelling the tale in our own words using a storyboard format. We expanded on this by looking into the Naam Karan and Amrit ceremonies.

Our scientific explorations this week took us into the animal kingdom, as we considered the variety and facility of evolutionary adaptations. We compiled our discoveries into fact files featuring the most fascinating specialised characteristics. Did you know that meerkats have dark patches to keep them from getting dazzled by the sun? Or that orcas hunt in groups to increase their chance of success? Or that Year 6 students gain extra time using iPads by researching fact files?

P.E. had us leaping around using various techniques, as we practiced the long jump, high jump and triple jump. With an upcoming athletics competition, everyone is keen to impress and make the final squad selection.

In Music, we rehearsed playing as a group. Trying to keep together and not rush off doing our own thing does not always come easily, but we are getting there - just not all at the same time.

Have a great weekend.





STARS OF THE WEEK



Sky (R), Liam (Y1), Sonny (Lovelace), Etienne (Einstein), Ottley (Y3), Chi Chi (Y5) Arthur (Y6).

French Awards

Caleb, Sylvi, Neel, Eva, Reni, Dixie, Harris

PE Awards

Gabriela, Henry, Benjamin





Scholastaic Summer Book Fair

Faraday's Summer Scholastic Book Fair is open until 5pm on Tuesday 7th May!

How to buy:

Buy a voucher online and send to your child's class teacher:

https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift vouchers

Visit the Fair in person next Tuesday at 3:30 or 4:45pm.







Reading in Unusual Places Competition

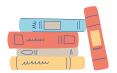
We have received some incredible entries for Reading in Unusual Places Competition.

Our winners are...
Maximilien - Reception
Imogen - Reception
Neel - Year 2 Lovelace
River - Year 3
Sophia - Year 3

Winners will receive a £5 book voucher to spend at the Fair!









As part of our ongoing efforts to encourage sustainable travel to and from school. Please see below for details of our Summer Term Travel Events Calendar. For some of these events, children will be asked to bring their scooter or bicycle into school to take part. Full details will be sent to parents by email. along with consent forms if required.



MAY

Year 4 & 5 Bikeability Workshops

Week beginning Monday 13th May

Walk to School Week

Monday 20th - Friday 24th May

Year 2 Scooter Workshop - Thursday 23rd May



<u>JUNE</u>

Bling Your Bike!

Summer Theme

Friday 28th June



JULY

Faraday Stroll Friday 3rd July

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES





DATES FOR DIARIES

Website link to Parent Google Calendar: https://www.faradayschool.co.uk/life-at-faraday/calendar/

	MAY
Wednesday 1st May	First Day - Summer Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday 1st - Friday 3rd May	Year 4 Residential
Monday 6th May	May Bank Holiday - school is closed
Tuesday 7th May	Last full day - Summer Scholastic Book Fair
Week beginning Monday 13th May	Year 6 Residential
	Year 4 & 5 Bikeability Workshops - Year 4 & 5 pupils are asked to bring their bicycle and
	helmet into school to take part.
Week beginning Monday 20th May	Walk to School Week
Monday 20th May	Reception Class - London Zoo Visit
Tuesday 21st May	Year 5 & 6 Quad Kids Athletics Mixed (Selected children will be invited to attend)
Thursday 23rd May	Year 4, 5 & 6 Institut Franças Visit
	Year 2 Scooter Workshop - Year 2 Pupils are asked to bring their scooter and helmet into school to take part.
Friday 24th May	School closes for half term at the usual time. Clubs and after school care are open as normal
Hal	f Term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May (inclusive)
	JUNE
Tuesday 4th - Friday 7th June	Year 5 Residential
Wednesday 12th June	Year 5 Cricket Fixture against Gatehouse at Mile End
year	(Selected children will be invited to attend.)
Wednesday 19th June	Year 6 Cricket Fixture against Gatehouse at Mile End
	(Selected children will be invited to attend.)
Wednesday 16th June	Class Portraits
Sunday 30th June	Summer Fair

Please check Dates for Diaries weekly for details of important summer term class visits, fixtures and events.