



WEEKLY NEWS 03.11.17

Welcome back to a new term. I hope you all had a good half term break.

Learning News

Year 1.2 are very excited to find out about 'Knights and Castles' in our new Geography and History topic this term. They were thrilled to discover a new knight in shining, silver armour and a gleaming fairy tale castle on display in the shared area. We have already started to look at features of a castle, learning where the keep, towers, drawbridge, moat and arrow slits are! They can look forward to learning about King Arthur, Merlin and how to attack and defend a castle and writing some non-chronological reports!



The EYFS children have been enjoying lots of fairytale stories as part of their new topic 'Knights and Princesses'. They have looked at creating different textures when making dragon scales and practised fine motor control when threading beads on whizzy wands.

Year 3/4 have been working on their Geography skills this week. The children have enjoyed exploring atlases to identify continents, countries and oceans. Did you know? Continents only cover 29% of the Earth. The rest of the Earth's surface is water!

We found out that Asia is the world's biggest continent and 2/3 of the world's population live in Asia. We also discovered that Africa has 54 countries, more than any other continent.

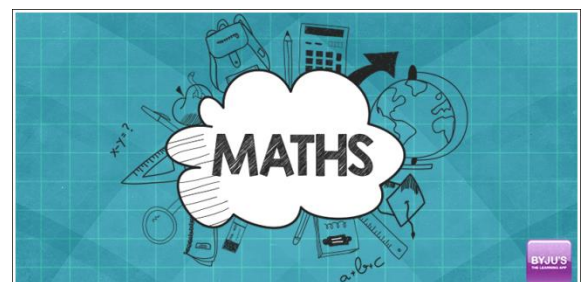
Our learning over the next few weeks will take us on a journey around the world, discovering where different foods come from. We have some wonderful places to visit!



This week in Year 5.6 we have been studying the artist Hans Holbein. The children recreated some of his finest Tudor masterpieces and we were blown away by their artwork. Some of the examples below demonstrate their fantastic skill. Also this week in Maths, we have been brushing up on our skills in multiplication and division. Next week, we are looking forward to adding the finishing touches to our Collective worship!

Maths Information Evening- Years 1-6

A reminder that there will be a Maths Information Evening for all parents on 15th November at 4pm. A separate Parentmail has gone out to all parents requesting for you to advise us on whether you will be attending so please complete by the deadline.



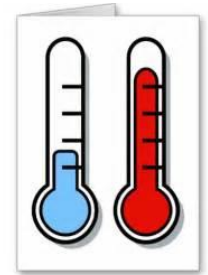


Parents' Meetings

We are looking forward to seeing you all next week. If you have not completed the online notification form choosing your meeting time please do this before Monday morning. A reminder that these meetings are for **10 minutes only**. To keep everyone on time teachers will finish the meetings after this time. Many thanks for your support with this.

Weather Watch

It seems the weather cannot quite make its mind up! We are steadily seeing colder mornings and intermittent rain. Please can all children have their coats with them every day so they can keep warm as they play.



Poppy Appeal

Once again we shall be supporting the Poppy Appeal in school and poppies will be available for children during the school day next week in exchange for a small donation. There will also be other merchandise available to purchase after school. This year the Royal British Legion will be accepting the old round pound coins as donations.

"The Royal British Legion is asking the nation to Rethink Remembrance by recognising the sacrifices made by the Armed Forces community, past and present. By wearing a poppy, you aren't just remembering the fallen: you're supporting a new generation of veterans and Service personnel that need our support." Source <http://www.britishlegion.org.uk>



Love in a Box

If you would like to take part in this year's Love in a Box campaign, please let us have your boxes and £5 donations towards transport and distribution **by Wednesday 8th November 2017**. Many thanks in advance.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

06/11/2017 Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm Booking via Parentmail

07/11/2017 Parents' Evening 3:30pm-6pm Booking via Parentmail

08/11/2017 Open Morning 9:30am- 11:30am
For parents/carers with children due to start school in September 2018

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