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Sports & P.E

So far, we have taken part in three competitions. Firstly, 14 children took part in the Gipping Valley cross country event. As a team we finished 5th out of 9 teams and Elsie was the 4th girl to finish overall. She has now qualified for the Suffolk finals at the Royal Hospital School. We then took part in the Gipping Valley Tag Rugby tournament. The team produced some amazing team play mixed in with some great individual performances to finish second overall out of 11 teams. Finally, the team took part in the Gipping Valley Girls football tournament. The team was very inexperienced but performed amazingly to finish in third place. They won 2 matches, drew 1 and lost 1.

We have also had a dance enrichment day organised by Premier Sports and St Josephs College have led some Tag Rugby P.E lessons in Birch Class.

Next half term the events continue including mixed football and dodgeball. Well done to everybody who has taken part and represented the school so well.

A wonderful drawing by Oscar in Ash Class



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What We Learned

Chestnut Class

This half term Chestnut Class has been working extremely hard across all of their subjects. They have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Ancient Greeks in our History lessons which will continue into the next half term. To cement our learning of the Ancient Greeks we have created ancient Greek vases and bowls within our artwork and we have made a comparison piece by creating modern bowls inspired by abstract artist Howard Hodgkin. In Mathematics the children have been working on place value, addition and subtraction. We have also been regularly practising our multiplications on a Monday and spellings on a Friday. In PSHE we have been learning about diverse Britain and celebrating one another. In music we have been composing and improvising. In Science we have been learning about habitats as well as plant life. We also thoroughly enjoyed our local geography and history trip to Needham market. In RE we have been learning about how Muslims show submission and obedience to Allah. We are really looking forward to seeing what the next half term has to bring. Thank you Chestnut Class and thank you parents for such a lovely first half term.

Hello!

That's the first half term done, and what a busy one we have had! Lots of creating, making, cooking, singing and learning all over the school. We have welcomed our 10 new starters in Ash Class and everyone has settled well into their new year groups. Here's to a lovely week off. See you in November!

What we Learned

Ash Class

What a fantastic first half term Ash class have had, they have all settled into school life so seamlessly and really engage with the routines each day. We have looked closely at ourselves and what makes us special. Looking at our families and how families are all different. We have also explored Autumn and the changes that happen, finishing the term with making pumpkin soup, cutting, slicing, chopping vegetables and spreading butter on our bread. What little superstars they all are.

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What We Learned

Birch Class

Year 5 have settled very well into Birch Class since joining in September as have the new Year 6's. Everybody is working very hard and have produced some great pieces of work across the curriculum. In maths, we have focused on place value and the four operations. In Literacy, the children wrote recounts about a 'cinema disaster' and are currently writing stories about Sherlock Holmes. In Science we learnt about forces and carried out different investigations. In RE we learnt about Christian's belief in life and death and in art we developed our drawing skills. In PE the children have developed their fitness with Liam and Tag Rugby skills with Mr Sharp from St Josephs College. Well done everybody for such a positive first half term.

Attendance Reminder

Ash and Oak Classes should arrive between 8.40 & 8.45am. Chestnut and Birch Classes should arrive between 8.30 & 8.40am. Younger siblings can arrive at the earlier time. Between 8.45 and 8.55 will be marked as late. After this time it's marked as unauthorised.

Attendance YTD so far

- Reception 96.56%
- Year 1 - 94.3% & Year 2 - 97.06%
- Year 3 - 98.71% & Year 4 96.86%
- Year 5 98.64% & Year 6 97.65%

Check the Website...

Please keep checking the website for what's coming up, and more photos and information about what each class has been up to.

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Oak Class

Oak Class has had a busy start to the Autumn Term. In Literacy the children have worked hard to write retellings of the Three Little Pig story and are now busily creating their own new story with a 'goodie' and a 'baddie' character. In maths we have focused on basic number facts and place value. Our history topic this term fascinated the children. We looked at how homes have changed. The children took turns stepping into the tin bath and were astonished to learn that not too long ago the toilet would have been outside! Identifying different artefacts from the past led to some interesting hypotheses. Just last week we took part in our first PE enrichment session and there are more to look forward to later in the year. The children were able to reenact a Christening as part of our RE learning. Fortunately the baby doll was very good and didn't cry when they poured the water over its head. Well done everyone on a fantastic start back. Keep up the great work.

PSA

A quiet start to the year, but we've held our AGM and appointed the new committee, thank you to those who attended. We are looking for volunteers for the Christmas Fayre which will be held Saturday November 29th, more details on this to follow soon!

Upcoming Events

- Children in Need Friday 21st Nov
- Christmas Fayre Sat 29th Nov
- PD Day Friday Dec 5th
- End of Term Friday 19th Dec
- PD Day Monday January 5th

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