



# Werrington Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, year 3 attended Arthur Mellows College to take part in a cricket tournament. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and have learnt lots of new skills.

Our new year 6 house captains have been supporting in our celebration assembly by announcing our stars and the winning house for house points. The house captains can also give our house points for excellent behaviour in assembly.

So far Mill are in the lead with 267 house points this week and have 627 points overall.  
Church have 617  
Orchard have 582  
Bishop have 595

Our new Facebook and Instagram accounts are now live. Please have a look and follow us.

Best wishes

*Mrs Simmons*

### School Noticeboard

September 2024

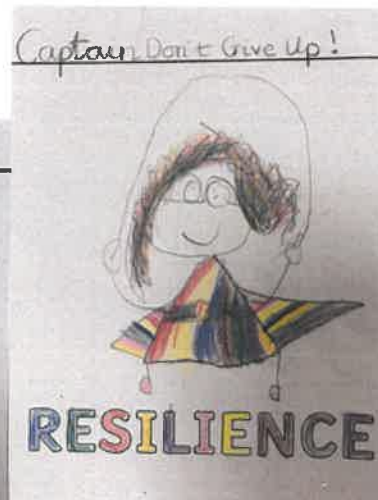
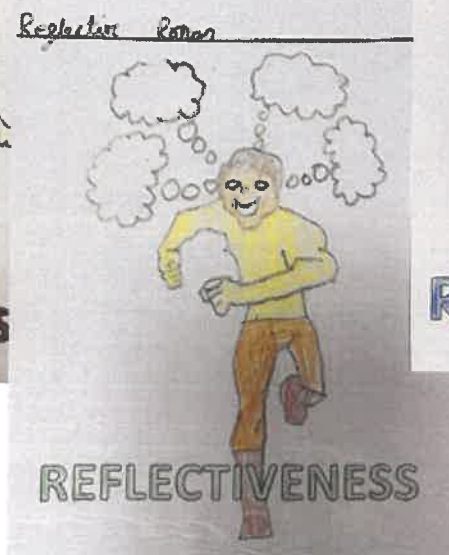
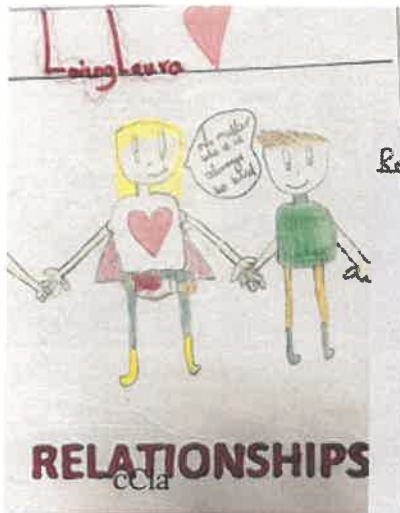
17th Yr 3 Cricket AMVC  
20th Jeans for Genes Day

October 2024

1st Yr 6 basketball AMVC  
3rd Yr 3 Team building day  
7th Yr 6 Bikeability  
10th World Mental Health Day (wear yellow)  
14th New Reception parent tours (day)  
16th New Reception parent tours (eve)  
16th Open classrooms  
w/c 21st Parent Consultations  
24th Hinduism day

Whole School Attendance for the Week

97%





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## Stars of the Week

Van Gogh	Nelly	For demonstrating wonderful creativity in the box modeling area this week when making your sparkly fish. Well done!
Kandinsky	Mila	For trying your best when making an amazing chicken puppet for our bee challenge this week. Well done!
Donaldson	Esther	For always working enthusiastically and setting a good example to the class. Well done!
Bond	Oliver	For always listening carefully and being respectful to others. You are always keen to answer questions and set a great example to others. Well done!
Farriner	Theodor	For being resilient and not giving up, and for always trying his best. Well done!
Cavell	Kit	For following our class rules brilliantly and always listening well. You have also been great at sharing your ideas and answering questions, well done Kit.
Lovelace	Elsie	For always working your hardest and fantastic presentation of your work. Well done!
Turing	Charlotte	For taking pride in your presentation for every piece of work. You are a great example of how to be the best you can be!
Tesla	Josiah	For being such a kind and caring person, both inside and outside of the classroom. Well done!
Newton	Zakariya	For being respectful and working hard to produce the best work he can.
Collins	Sophie	For fantastic focus and hard work in all areas and producing some beautiful art work. Well done Sophie!
Jemison	Harry	For an incredible Oktapodi story written from the perspective of Orange the octopus. Well done Harry!
Hawking	Leo	For creating a really good classification diagram for sorting animals according to their characteristics.
Galileo	Emily	For fantastic work ethic and excellent writing in English



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## Reception

### Reception

Reception have had another fantastic week and everyone is settling in well to our new routines, getting to know each other and making new friends.

This week we have been focussing on Old MacDonald Had A Farm. We've enjoyed singing the song, including actions and animal sound effects. The children have also been acting out the song with animals and puppets within their Provision time. Our Bee challenge this week was to make a animal puppet which we used to act out the song to our friends.

In Maths we have been focussing on matching and sorting using a range of resources, such as buttons and school objects. At home you could try to sort items such as cutlery, toys, and clothes.

Please make sure your child's reading book is in school on Monday so it can be changed. When you are sharing these books with your child encourage them to tell the story through the pictures, predict what might happen, think of a different ending to the story and ask them to spot different object on each page.

A polite reminder for water bottles to be carried and not placed in book bags as we do not want any school books to be damaged.





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## Year 1

Year 1 has had another exciting week and the children have continued to settle very well.

In English the children have enjoyed our new text, "The Story Machine" by Tom McLaughlin. This week the children have explored the feelings of the main character by taking part in a drama activity. They have also sequenced the story events.

In Maths the children have continued to learn about place value to 10 and have learnt about the language of greater than, less than and equal to this week. In geography the children have thought carefully about where they live and have located Peterborough on the map.

In RE we have thought about the Christian concept of belonging and feeling welcome. The children used a variety of construction materials to design some buildings in which they feel welcome.

In science this week we have been finding out about ourselves and the children have learnt to identify the different parts of their bodies.





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## Year 2

The children are really starting to settle into Year 2 now and we have had a great week full of lots of exciting activities.

Our Maths has been focused on place value and understanding the value of each digit in a 2 digit number. We have been representing numbers in lots of different ways with equipment and drawing.

We are also very excited to have set up our class chromebooks so that the children can begin to use these to enhance their learning.

In English we have been learning about nouns and adjectives. The children have been great at spotting nouns and adjectives in sentences so please test them with this when you are doing some reading.

Our topic this term is The Great Fire of London and we have looked at how different London was back in 1666 compared to now.

Your children now have their reading records and their first reading book. These are changes weekly on a Wednesday. You will also find a small slip with weekly spellings to practice. These are tested every Wednesday, please practice them at home when you can.

Finally, we want to share our class email addresses as this is the best way to send us any messages, especially if you are unable to see us at the start or end of the day. It is:

[cavell@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk](mailto:cavell@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk) or [farriner@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk](mailto:farriner@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk)





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## Year 3

What a wonderful week we have had in Year 3! The children have settled in to Year 3 really well and are working hard. On Monday this week, we were lucky enough to attend a cricket event at Arthur Mellows Village College with other local primary schools. The sun was shining and the children really enjoyed learning different cricket skills. They said: "I liked hitting the ball with the bat." "I liked the throwing and rolling." "The cricket volleyball was the best!" "Rolling the ball in zig zags was fun." "I think the group leaders were really nice!" "I liked the school." Thank you to all of the adults who helped at the event.

In English we have been learning about the book Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura. This week, we have worked in groups to make a story mountain plan of the book before making story mountains for our own story. We then begun to write our own versions. In maths, we have been learning about place value of numbers including hundreds and thousands. In art this week, we painted En Plein Air, focussing on brush strokes, tint and shade. In RE we learned about the parable of the prodigal son in the context of reconciliation. We freeze framed like the statue 'Hands Across The Divide' and discussed how reconciliation makes us feel.





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## Year 4

### Year 4

What an amazing week, it has been wonderful to see the children working so hard.

In maths, we have been learning about place value and number representation to 10000.

In English, using our class reader 'This Morning I Met a Whale', we have had class discussions about pollution in our seas and the devastation of forest fires. We have used these discussions and class ideas to write an alternative ending to the book.

In science, the children started to learn about living things and their habitats. They loved learning about the differences between animals.

In art, we started to learn about Aboriginal art and had a go at painting some artwork of their own (some examples below).





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## Year 5

Year 5 have had a fantastic start to the year and we are really pleased with how hard the classes are working.

In Science, we have had fun ordering planets, represented by fruit, on the field. We used toilet paper sheets to represent the distances between the planets. In Assembly, the children gave information about Collins and Jemison to the rest of the school. It was great to hear them speaking so confidently to a large audience.

The Oktopdi writing produced in English lessons is very exciting and the children have been developing their editing skills to make their writing even better.

### **Reminder - Supporting your child at home**

We have some children who are not yet completing the homework tasks. We really appreciate parent support in getting children into a routine where homework is completed every week. If you have any queries about the homework, please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Reminder** - The reading expectation is 4 times a week. Please enter what has been read in your child's reading diary so that we can develop a communication between home and school about anything related to reading. Times Table Rockstars will be set weekly on a Friday. Children are expected to complete 15 minutes on this each week. Spellings are set on Spelling Shed every Tuesday for completion by the following Tuesday. Children will need to play either 10 games or achieve 'Royal Bee', whichever comes first, in addition to completing the spelling sheet, which is sent home. Don't forget, reading and spelling rewards are on offer for children who read and practise spelling games regularly.

**Exciting News!** As part of our space topic, we are hoping that we will be able to have a planetarium in school. This will be dependent on contributions from parents but we are working to keep the cost as low as possible. Please look out for further information, which will be sent out soon.





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## Year 6

This week we have been finding out about the fascinating process of mummification! We will be writing instructions on how to do it - but the only thing we will actually mummify is a tomato!

In maths we have continued with our number work and looked at powers of ten, hundred and thousand and up to millions! We have rounded numbers and worked with negative numbers too so when the temperature drops this winter to below freezing we will be experts!

In science we have used and created classification diagrams to sort out a range of animals according to their characteristics. We discovered why a dolphin is a mammal and not a fish as some people think. One of the most interesting mammals we found out about was the duck-billed platypus!

In PE we had cross country trials - congratulations to those children who have been selected to represent Werrington in October. We will be going to AMVC to take part in a basketball event later in the term too so we are developing our skills in that sport too. Also coming up soon is Bikeability so please get those bikes checked if they have not been used in a while.

In art we have looked at still life paintings by Willem Kalf. We have begun to create our own which we will move on to painting over the next few weeks.

Next week we will start the first of our SATs practice assessments. We will share the results with you at parents' evenings.

Reminder: Please can children come to school in black shoes and if they want to, change into trainers for break and lunch time activities, thank you.

