Edenfield News

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Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have enjoyed a wonderful Reading Week in school to coincide with World Book Day. A particular highlight was the 'Read with my Parent or Grandparent Day', on Thursday, when we were able to welcome family members into school to read with their children. It was so lovely to see the school filled with visitors as well as the delighted faces of the children as they were able to share their favourite books, school work, and of course, show off their amazing costumes. Every class focused on a narrative poem for the week (including nursery rhymes in Class Reception) and the children dressed up according to their class poem. We saw an amazing range of costumes from Winnie the Pooh, to the Owl and the Pussy Cat, to magical and mythical characters, to name but a few ….

Having reading fun with our families!






During Reading Week, the children in Reception enjoyed exploring their class poem, 'From a Railway Carriage' by Robert Louis Stevenson. They also enjoyed practising and performing a range of nursery rhymes and looked amazing when they dressed up as nursery rhyme characters for World Book Day.

Class 1 enjoyed reading poems by A.A. Milne, in particular 'Now We Are Six'. We read the original poem, performed it as a class using actions, and then wrote our own version of the poem using creative rhyming words.

Class 2 has been reading, analysing and performing the poem 'The Owl and the Pussycat' by Edward Lear. They enjoyed: researching real life cats and owls; dressing up as the characters from the poem whilst reading with parents and grandparents; and creating beautiful oil pastel artwork of the Owl and Pussycat in their 'pea-green boat' on the ocean.

Class 3 has been studying the poem, 'The Tale of Custard the Dragon' by Ogden Nash. The children enjoyed many activities linked to the poem, including adapting the first verse to create their own rhyming couplets.

Class 4 has been reading 'The spider and the fly' by Mary Howitt. The children have been writing persuasive letters in the role of the spider and have also created their own poem on a similar theme using two different creatures.

Class 5 studied the poem 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes for Reading Week. They explored the use of figurative language and wrote letters in role as different characters in the poem, finishing the week by writing their own verse to extend the story.

Class 6 has been reading 'The Lost Words' by Andrew Mcfarlane. It is a spell book that contains words that are becoming lost from the language of children. As well as enjoying a range of reading and writing activities linked to the poetry, pupils enjoyed writing their own poems in the style of the author.







READING WEEK

























Poem in a Box

Thank you to all the children who have worked so hard to create poems in a box. The deadline for entries was today; we will be judging the competition early next week and will announce the winners during the reading week presentation for parents and carers.

Reading Week Presentation

We will be hosting a presentation, via MS Teams, for parents and carers at 9.15am on 18th March so that the children can share all the wonderful achievements completed during reading week. Please do come and join us – the link will be uploaded to Google Classroom.

Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is on 18th March and we have purchased red noses for your child to buy to help raise money to help make a difference to those less fortunate than us, and contribute to the Red Nose pledge to achieve a world without poverty. You can pay for the red noses on ParentPay and the noses will then be distributed on the actual day. Class 1 and Class 5 who are currently working towards their *Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award* will also be leading some additional fundraising – more details to follow very soon.

In Worship, we have been preparing for Lent. On Monday we reflected on how it can be difficult to admit to our wrongdoings, or be honest about our faults. However not being honest can make us feel much worse, whilst saying sorry and clearing our conscience actually makes us feel much better as long as we try hard not to repeat the same mistakes. We were reminded that Ash Wednesday is a day when we can all be honest, admit our guilt and walk into tomorrow with a clear conscience.

On Wednesday we attended the Ash Wednesday Service in church, led by Miss Thomas and we had our foreheads marked with the sign of the cross in wood ash. This symbolises that we are saying sorry for all that we have done wrong and we are ready to make a fresh start. We agreed it takes courage to admit that we have got things wrong in our lives but none of us are perfect and we are willing to make a new start. We also remembered that Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent. To remind ourselves of the sacrifices Jesus made, it is traditional for Christians to make a small sacrifice or to offer good and kind gestures to help others. We thought about the things we could do throughout Lent to show kindness and compassion to each other. Miss Thomas gave us a special bead bracelet and every day, we are going to add another bead to symbolise one kind deed for each day of Lent. Thank you Miss Thomas! We continue to ask for God's help and guidance as we try to follow in his footsteps as our school vision reminds us:

Guided by God, following in his footsteps

Our vision is theologically centred on Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path

Warm wishes,

C. L. Garner

A Week In Pictures





Reception

The children in Class Reception have enjoyed playing Edenfield I-Spy on our big field!



Class 1

Class 1 have been enjoying reading a non-prototypical non-fiction text and learning lots more about The Great Fire of London.

Class 3

Class 3 pretended to be Estate Agents selling Celtic Roundhouses, these are some of their 'For Sale' adverts.





Class 5

Class 5 extended their study of Islam by completing projects over the holidays which were presented and shared in class this week.

Class 4

Class 4 are learning about sound in science and enjoyed using different musical instruments to investigate how sounds are created.





Class 6

Year 6 have been reading 'The Lost Words' this week, a spell book containing words lost from the language of children!

Class 2

Class 2 performed their poem for 'reading week' to the children in Class 1 with actions and expressive voices!

Extra-Curricular Activities

Spring Term 2022

Clubs take place from the end of the school day until 4.15pm unless otherwise indicated.

Day	Activity	Year Group
Tues	**Dance**	Group 2 (Spring term 2)
Tues	**Skiing**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (until 5pm)
Tues	**Netball**	Years 5 and 6
Weds	**Art Club**	Years 2
Weds	**Boys' Football**	Years 5 and 6
Weds	**Singing Club**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Thurs	**Lego Club**	Year 1
Thurs	**Horse Riding**	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (until 5pm)
Thurs	**Puzzle Club**	Years 3 and 4
Thurs	**Girls' Football**	Years 5 and 6
Fri	**Digital Leaders**	Years 3,4, 5 and 6 (Lunchtime Club)

STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 25th February

Reception Class: Olivia Martin, Jack Bowler

Class 1: Orla Thompson, Jasper Gray

Class 2: Jack Seal, Jacob Higgins

Class 3: Harry Morrison, Penny Milne

Class 4: Lucas Thompson, Nancy Booth

Class 5: William Johnston, Seb Wall

Class 6: Jasmine Ashton, Evie Scully

Friday 4th March

Reception Class: Joshua Bailey, Sophie Denton

Class 1: Cecily Sweet, All of Class 1

Class 2: Riley O'Toole, Poppy Barnes

Class 3: Bay McLean, Rosie McAllister

Class 4: Amber Lovick, Oliver Veale

Class 5: Sophia Meager, Noah Barraclough

Class 6: Joseph Scanlon, Harry Blow

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY SO FAR

Mon 7th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm - 7pm
Tues 8th Mar	Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5pm
Thurs 17th Mar	Class 3 visit to Deva Roman Discovery Centre
Fri 18th Mar	Red Nose Day
Fri 18th Mar	Deadline for Tower Wood payments
Wed 23rd Mar	Class 2 visit to Chester Zoo
Tues 22nd Mar	Last Choir Singing Competition at The Muni, Colne (6.30pm)
Thurs 24th Mar	Class R visit to Manchester Airport
Thurs 24th Mar	Class 6 visit to Stratford-upon-Avon
Mon 28th Mar	Class 5 and 6 Tower Wood residential visit
Tues 29th Mar	Class 5 and 6 Tower Wood residential visit
Wed 30th Mar	Class 5 and 6 Tower Wood residential visit
Fri 1st Apr	Easter service at Edenfield Parish Church
Fri 1st Apr	School closes for Easter
Tues 19th Apr	School re-opens
Wed 27th Apr	School closes
Tues 3rd May	School re-opens
w/c Mon 9th May	Testing week for Class 2 and Class 6
Mon 16th May	Class 6 Bikeability
Tues 17th May	Class 6 Bikeability
Wed 18th May	Class 6 Bikeability
Thurs 19th May	Class 6 Bikeability

(Additional dates may be added throughout the term)

ParentPay

Thank you to everyone who has activated and is using their ParentPay account. If you have not yet activated your account, it is essential that it is activated as soon as possible as we transition to a cashless system this term.

Please notify the office if you need another copy of the activation code.

Red Nose Day

We will be supporting Red Nose Day on Friday 18th March.

Red Noses are available to buy via ParentPay (only) for £1.50. These are limited to one per pupil and will be distributed on the day. Please make payment by **Thursday 17th March**.

School Website

Can we please remind parents that letters, newsletters and term dates can also be found on the school website.

Thought of the Week

Lent *"He fasted for forty days and forty nights..."*

Readathon

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the Readathon, sponsorship monies can now be paid through ParentPay.