



Drayton Green Primary School

Newsletter 30.1.26

Whole school attendance this week = **94%**

Well done to **4D** who had **100%** attendance this week. That is amazing!
5D were very close behind with 98.8%. Well done everyone!

This week has been another busy week! There have been lots of art projects going on around the school and Reception had a visit from the Wonderdome- which was very exciting!

Each week, our Senior Leaders monitor a curriculum subject to ensure that there is progress being made across the school and the children are receiving a good quality education. They work with the curriculum leader to observe lessons across the school, look at books and monitor what the children have been learning. This week the focus was on Science and the leaders saw interesting investigations and activities taking place to enhance the children's scientific understanding.

Thank you to all of the children who are really making the effort to wear the correct uniform. We have noticed that the children have looked very smart this week! They are showing their pride in the school and want to take care of their uniform and the school environment.

Next week we have a lot going on! Please look out for the letter that we have sent home about the upcoming parent workshops on the RHE curriculum. This is your chance to attend a meeting to find out more about what will be taught in the RHE lessons. Please see more details on this later in the newsletter.

We will also be celebrating the NSPCC Number Day next Friday. Children will be allowed to wear something that is maths or number themed e.g. a shape pattern or sports top with a number on. We look forward to seeing all of the numbers and fun outfits!

Dates for your diaries

We have lots of exciting events and important dates coming up in the next few weeks. Please keep these dates in your diaries so you don't miss a meeting, workshop or dress up day!

Week beginning 12th January – after school clubs begin and run from 3:15 – 4:15pm

Thursday 5th February – NHS hearing checks for Reception children

Thursday 5th February – Parent workshop about the RHE curriculum

Friday 6th February – NHS Height and weight checks for Reception and Year 6 children

Friday 6th February – Number day – dress up day to celebrate maths week

Monday 16th - Friday 20th February – Half term holiday – school closed to all children

Monday 23rd February – Young Voices Concert at the O2 arena.

Friday 6th March – World Book day dress up day

Week beginning 16th March – Parents evening meetings (days TBC)

Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April – Easter holiday – school closed to all children

Monday 13th April – children return to school.

Certificate winners

Each week we will be focusing on one of our school values for the celebration assembly.

The value of the week is **trust**.

Well done to the children who received a certificate this week for their fantastic effort and achievements!

Well done to the children who received a **person of the week** certificate, for their excellent behaviour or attitudes throughout the week!

We also have a certificate for **presentation**, which will be awarded to the child in each class who has worked to improve their presentation or who consistently presents their work neatly.

	Trust	Person of the week	Presentation
Reception	Ali	Arlo B	Annylah Renee
Year 1	Hassan	DeeJay	Emilia
Year 2	Aiden	Elynaz	Alia
Year 3	Sana	Dana	Lara
Year 4	Khalil	Manasveer	Sohrab
Year 5	Mao and Fatima	Anirudh and Noor	Bartosz and Silva
Year 6	Yazan	Omar	Ayyan

Parent workshops for RHE curriculum

As part of the National Curriculum, it is mandatory for schools to teach RHE, which stands for Relationships and Health Education.

RHE is about the emotional, social and cultural development of pupils and involves learning about their bodies, how they develop, relationships and healthy lifestyles.

Please see our RHE policy on our school website or attend the parent workshop for more information on what will be taught to the children during these lessons.

The workshop will be held on Thursday 5th February at 9am. All parents are welcome to attend.

As this is included in the National Curriculum, parents are not able to withdraw children from these lessons and children must be taught the content that is compulsory as part of their science curriculum. Parents are allowed to ask for their child to be removed from one lesson in Year 6 but this must be following a discussion with the Head of school to explain your reasons why you do not want your child to attend that lesson. If you would like more information on this, please attend the parent workshop next Thursday.

Polite reminder!

Please can all children bring a water bottle to school every day. We allow the children to refill their water bottles and use the water fountains at break and lunch times but it is much safer and less disruptive to lessons if they have a water bottle which they can drink from in the classroom. We do not allow any other drinks e.g. fruit juice, squash or fizzy drinks in their water bottles!

The children also need to bring in a bag or their book folder on a Friday. It would be useful for children to have a bag in school everyday so they can take home any letters or homework and carry their water bottles easily. We have noticed that lots of the lovely Read, Write Inc phonics books are getting damaged or lost as children do not have a bag to carry them in and these are very expensive to replace! Please bring a bag to get these home and back to school safely and in a good condition.

Please make sure that all items your child brings to school are clearly labelled with their name as this makes it easier to return them if they get lost. Some children take their jumpers or coats off in the playground, during PE or when working in other areas around the school and if there is no name, it may easily be lost or taken home by someone else by mistake.

Wonderdome visit for Reception

Reception had a visit from the Wonderdome as part of their topic on Space. They were very excited to see the different stars and planets and they learned lots of interesting facts about Space. They also loved getting into and out of the Wonderdome as it was a giant inflatable dome!

The Reception classes from St John's Primary School also came to have a turn in the planetarium as well. This is one of the exciting opportunities that we can offer all of our children as part of the federation: sharing learning, experiences and exciting events!

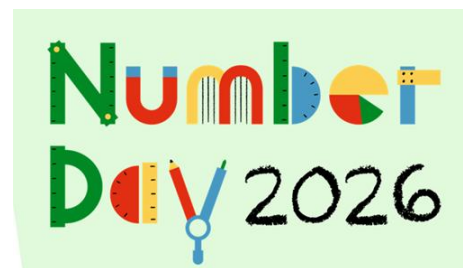


Number day



The NSPCC hold a national fundraising day every year. We are using the day to focus on number and maths activities across the whole school.

As part of the fun, the children are invited to wear a T-Shirt or outfit that is number or maths themed e.g. a sports shirt with numbers on or a top/dress/trousers with shapes on. You are also welcome to design your own maths or number themed outfit for the day if you would like to!



We will be doing lots of fun number themed activities on the Friday in school.

We will also be holding a bake sale after school. If you are able to donate some bought or homemade cakes for us to sell or would like to help us with the sale after school, that would be brilliant!

If you bring in any cakes, please make sure they do not contain any nuts!

We are really looking forward to the number fun and hope to see lots of you at the bake sale!

Our week at Drayton Green

This is what we have been learning about this week in each year group.

Please use this to speak to your children about what they have been learning and to support them to remember what they have covered each week.

We will also share information and photos on Class Dojo of lovely pieces of work and event or activity days as they happen.

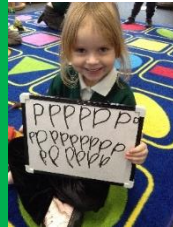
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Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning about composition of number 4. E.g beginning to learn the numbers are made up of smaller number.



English/Phonics



In Phonics, this week, we have been learning the phonemes n, p and g. We have also been practicing writing them on our whiteboard.

Understanding of the World:

This week, we learnt about dinosaur fossils.



We also went on a shape hunt around school.

Reception

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to compose and decompose numbers to 5, e.g. noticing that 5 can be made of 3 and 2.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning about non-fiction. We have been learning to write simple sentences about the sun from our book focus called 'Big Book of Space' by Catherine D. Hughes. E.g. The sun is hot. The sun is a big star.

Understanding of the World:

This week, we learnt that astronauts live and work on the International Space Station.

Year 1

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to count on within 20 and making number bonds to 20.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning about the features of a letter.

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we have been learning about the tools used to record different types of weather.

Year 2

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to count collect of pounds and pence.

English

In English, this week, we have been writing our own version of Wombat Goes Walkabout using different characters and settings. We have also learned how to edit our writing using a purple polishing pen!

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we have been learning about circuits and we made our own electrical circuits using wires, batteries and a light bulb.

Geography

This week, we have been learning about Wales and its natural features.

Year 3

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to compare arrays using <less than >greater than and =equal to.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning to write a retell of the story 'One plastic bag' using time fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and direct speech.

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we have been learning about rocks. We did an experiment to see if a rock is permeable or impermeable.

Art

This week, we have been learning about the sphinx. We have made a model out of clay.

Year 4

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to multiply by 10 and 100, as well as divide by 10 and 100.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning to add direct speech in our retelling of the story The Promise. We also look at the key features in a persuasive letter.

Other Subjects:

History

This week, we have been learning about how important Pompeii is rich source archaeological evidence.

Geography

This week, we have been learning about the physical features in Eastern Europe.

Year 5

Maths

We have started learning about how to multiply fractions by whole numbers (integers) after finishing our multiplication and division topic.

English

We have been writing our diary entry as Lucy, describing how she felt when the wolves finally came out of the walls.

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we have been learning more about life cycles of different living things.

Geography

We learnt about Yorkshire and Humberside, comparing it to all the other regions of the UK we have been learning about his half term.

Year 6

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to solve algebraic equations

English

In English, this week, we have been learning about the features of a newspaper report

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we have been building our knowledge of simple series circuits.

Art

This week, we have been learning about Victorian architecture.

SRP

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to use part whole models to support our addition and subtraction skills.

English

In English, this week, we have been reading 'Who sank the boat' and continue to use colourful semantic to support our sentence structure.

Other Subjects:

Life skills

This week, we have been learning about safety around water. We role played different scenario where we need to check for danger or ask for help.

Science/ maths

This week, we have been learning about weight. We used weighing scales to learn our key words 'balanced', 'lighter' and 'heavier'