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'To love, live and learn together'

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Love'

Congratulations to Class 1 on their outstanding parental assembly Class 1 shared their learning with their parents in an excellent class assembly. The rest of the school enjoyed sharing it with them the day before. We were so impressed with their clear speaking and listening skills, their use of gesture and actions in their drama and the great songs. We also loved the way they linked all their areas of learning to the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears.' Highlights are pictured below.



World Book Day Dressing up after half term Friday 4th March a reminder that children can come to school dressed as a book character on Friday 4th March.



Parent Teacher Consultations many thanks for supporting these with your attendance this week. If you were unable to join us this week your class teacher will be in touch to arrange an appointment for after half term.

Young Reporters from Class 4 Well done to Sophie and Sophia who have been the first of our Young Reporters to write for the Scorton and District Times. We expect to see more articles from our children in the next few months.

Mrs Smith returning to Class 2 after half term
We welcome Mrs Smith back from her maternity leave after half term. Mrs Smith will work in Class 2 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning and Mrs Dutton will work in Class 2 on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday.

Star Scientists in Class 4 Class 4 enjoyed an excellent morning in the Science laboratories of Richmond School. They worked on practical activities linked to Physics: gears, pulley and levers. This also linked to their work on bridges and structures in Design Technology and their History research for their Victorian topic on the work of Isambard Kingdom Brunel. On their return we received this email:

A special message of praise for Class 4 from Richmond School Science Department:

'Please pass on how impressed I was with their enthusiasm and the politeness they showed during and after the session. The students regularly asked very high level questions and showed exceptional scientific thinking skills during the session. Added to this, as the students left, every single one said thank you with any prompting.'

Reading books and library books All our children have regular opportunities to take home library books as well as their reading book. Class 2 children all have a library book this week.

Please return any school books you find at home Our school books are usually stamped. It may be that you tidy up and find some at home - not a problem; please return them to school.

Date reminders for after Half Term

Friday 4th March Dress as a Book Character for World Book Day

Class 4 Parental Assembly Thursday 17th March 9.30am

Class 3 Parental Assembly Thursday 24th March 9.30am

Class 2 Parental Assembly Thursday 31st March

Class Photographs Friday 1st April

Theatre in school Oliver Twist Wednesday 6th April

Egg rolling and decorating Thursday 7th April 2pm

Easter Service in St Mary's Church 2pm

World Book Day Dress as a book character on Friday 4th March This does not need to be complicated or expensive. Many characters in books wear normal clothes! Think about 'James from James and the Giant Peach'; 'Oliver from Oliver Twist' or 'Pippi Longstocking'.

Club bookings on Parent Pay a reminder to book these to start again after half term.

Parish News Please see the information at the end of this newsletter for details of a Paddington themed coffee morning and photography competition. Please see the parish website for details of services: www.esbb.co.uk

Half Term Football Camp with Mike Layfield at Richmond School To book places please visit: www.MLSPORTSANDFITNESS.CO.UK/CAMPS

Shellys Wrap Around Care and Half Term Holiday Club in our School Shelly and Ann will be running a holiday Club in school during February half term on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd February from 8am to 5.30pm. For more details or to book places please contact Shelly directly on: shellyschildminding7@gmail.com

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries.

With my best wishes, Nicola Dobson

Highlights from Class 1:

Class 1 have enjoyed work on Chinese New Year and have created art work linked to their Great Fire of London topic. They have worked on traditional tales such as 'The Three Little Pigs' and Maths work on addition, subtraction and 2D and 3D shapes.



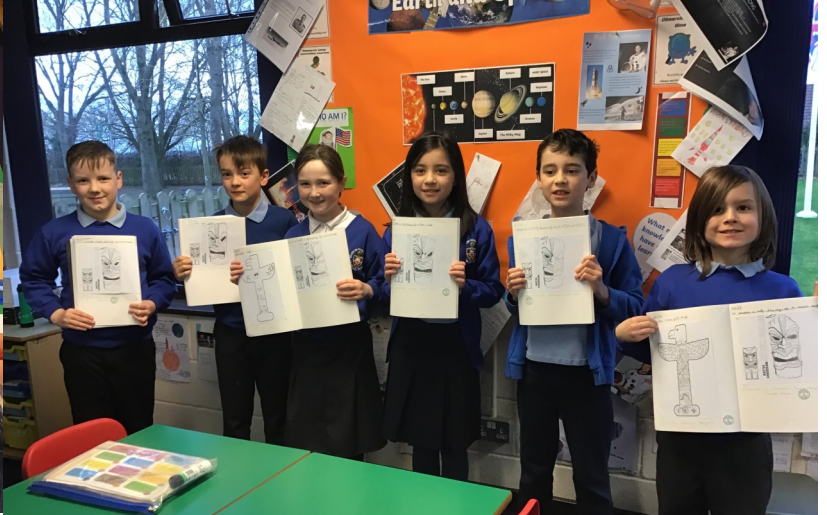
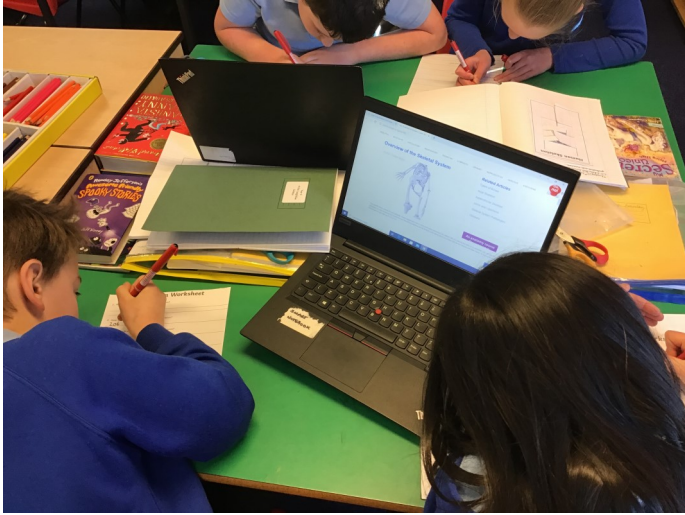
Highlights from Class 2:

Year 2 girls from Class 2 had a great time developing their football skills during a fun session at Richmond School. In Maths they have worked on finding half linked to their 2 times table. In English they have written their own version of 'The Gingerbread Man'. In RE all our Y1/2 have learnt how Jews celebrate Shabbat and made a mezuzah. In Science their umbrella investigation tested materials to find out how waterproof they were.



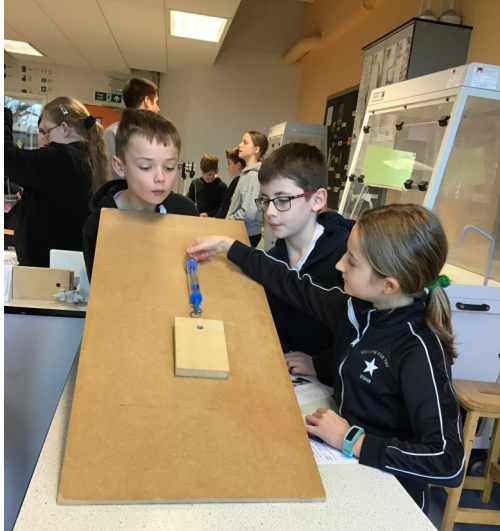
Highlights from Class 3:

Class 3 have finished writing their Dragonology non-chronological reports. In Maths they have been measuring accurately using cm and mm and have looked at equivalent lengths in different units of measurement. In Geography they have identified physical and human features of North America. In Art they have designed and constructed Totem Poles. In Science they have researched the human skeleton.



Highlights from Class 4:

Class 4 have multiplied and divided fractions by integers; completed their mystery stories set at Kiplin Hall or the King's Head Hotel and designed and created bridges inspired by Brunel's engineering work. They had a brilliant morning exploring pulleys, gears and levers in the Science laboratories at Richmond School.



'Marmalade' Coffee Morning

Saturday 26th February
10 - 12pm

at
St Paul's Church

This is not just any coffee morning!
This is a **Link** coffee morning
with marmalade to eat and buy!
With your chance to win a Paddington Bear toy.
Plus
Paddington-related activities for children.

Proceeds towards our community **Link Project**

You haven't heard about the **Link**?
Then come along
and find out what's it all about
and how **you** can benefit!

Photography Competition

on the theme of
'Winter'

We live in a beautiful part of the world and what better way of capturing that beauty than by photographing it!

Our competition is open to anyone and everyone, no matter if you're a complete beginner or whether you've been snapping away for years.

It doesn't matter how old you are either, there will be a children's section too.

The theme will change each month until the summer and then the most interesting ones will be chosen to make a community calendar, which will be on sale in the Autumn.

Entry is free

send your pictures to

the_link_photography_competition@esbb.co.uk

making sure you include your age if you are 11 and under.