



**MARCH 2024**

Firstly, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for attending our recent Parents' Consultation Day. As always, it was such a positive day full of celebrations.

Next, I wanted to praise the children for their hard work this term; it has been so busy and full of great opportunities for learning.

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a very Happy Easter and a lovely break. We will see you all on Monday 15th April.

**Mrs Steward - Principal**

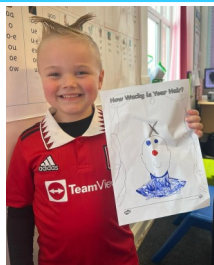
**British Science Week**



We had a fantastic time celebrating British Science week this term! It began with an exciting visit from Mr Shanks (Ormiston's Science Lead) to deliver an amazing assembly that involved demonstrating live science experiments in front of our eyes. He used dry ice with water to create a spooky fog effect from the water vapour; it was very impressive! Our families then joined us to take part in some fun science activities in our classrooms. It was great fun! Thank you to everyone who came; we really appreciate it!

**Red Nose Day 2024!**

We had a brilliant day raising money for Red Nose Day. We all enjoyed our crazy hair day and we had some amazing hair styles! We were blown away with the creativity! Thank you for making such a super effort and helping to raise as much money as possible. We raised a fantastic £343.21 across the school. Thanks once again for joining in with the fun.



**World Book day**

The children had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day this year! We loved seeing all the children in their costumes and hearing them talk about their favourite books. After the assembly some children even created their own rap to celebrate books! What a great time was had by all. The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go!



Reception Class visited the local library. They were incredibly sensible and explored their local environment. We chose some books to bring back to school and will read these over the next few weeks during snack time.



Reception Class have tadpoles in the classroom. We are going to be exploring the life cycle of a frog and observe the changes.



### Rocksteady performance

Our first Rocksteady performance to parents and peers was a 'Rockin' success. Five bands from years 1-5 belted out a variety of popular song including Roar, Shotgun and Dance Monkey to name a few. The children showed off their developing talents after only 5 weeks of lessons with the amazing Tiernie. We are looking forward to the next one.



### Persuasive writing



A couple of children in Kenya wrote a persuasive letter to Mrs. Steward asking for Ms. Marsh's dogs to join them in class. Their letters must have been expertly written as Mrs. Steward was persuaded! The dogs joined the children for a short time in the morning; they helped with a little bit of maths whilst they were in class too!



### Magna

In March, the year 4 children had a fantastic time at Magna in Sheffield.

We attended an amazing magnets workshop where we learnt all about the history of magnets, sorted magnetic and non-magnetic materials and even experimented with racing cars with magnets!

We absolutely loved exploring the centre and all the hands of experiences in the different elements. Some of our favourite memories of the day were the fire tornado, getting rained on, and making plastic balls fly!

We had the best day and would love to go back again sometime.



In D.T. this term Japan Class have loved learning all about castles and their structures.

We had some design criteria we tried to meet:

- our castles needed to be strong and stable
- our castles needed to have a secure base
- our castles needed to be made from 3D nets and cardboard/paper
- our castles needed to include battlements, flag or a functioning drawbridge

We designed, created and evaluated our finished products. Here are some of our amazing castles!

### Upcoming events

**15th April at 3.15pm**—Nursery and pre-school stay and play

**16th April at 10am and 1.30pm**—Nursery and pre-school stay and play

**19th April at 1pm onwards**—Atlas class PCD w/c 13th May—SATs week

### 2023-2024 term dates

**28.03.24** Children finish at 2.30pm for Easter

**15.04.24** Children return after the Easter break

**06.05.24** May day bank holiday

**24.05.24** Children finish for half term

**03.06.24** Children return after half term

**19.07.24** Children finish for Summer break at 2.30pm