## Spring 2 Newsletter

Welcome to our Easter newsletter. We have had another wonderful half term of learning for our pupils who have been working hard and enjoying lots of fantastic trips and experiences. We have had trips to Quarry Bank Mill for year 2 and visitors from the past in year 1 & 4. Some of our children have taken part in a swimming competition and all have been working very hard in their classes.

#### EYFS

This half term our focus has been around the story Handa's Surprise. We have learnt about Africa, made animals out of craft and play dough and tasted a range of new fruit from the story. In maths we have continued to deepen our understanding of numbers to 10 as well as solving problems with one more/less. We have been practising writing our surnames and have been writing short sentences with a capital letter and full stop. In RE we have been preparing for Easter throughout Lent and finding signs of Spring.



**1B** This half term, year 1 had an exciting visitor come into school to teach us all about Kitty Wilkinson and what she did to help people in Liverpool. We also had a wonderful world book day and made lots of artwork inspired by the story 'Little Red'.

The children have been writing instructions in English on how to wash a Woolly Mammoth! They have also been working hard in RWI lessons on their phonic skills.



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

**2H** This half term in year 2 we have learnt so much.

In English after learning the story Rumplestiltskin we wrote our own defeating a monster tale.

In Maths we have been learning about time. We looked at  $\frac{1}{4}$  past and  $\frac{1}{4}$  to as well as learning to write the time to five minutes.



For history as part of our topic we visited Quarry Bank Mill to help us gain an insight into a child's everyday life during the Industrial Revolution.

Our DT lessons have been fun as we have been learning how to sew using a running stitch. From this we made our own bags out of old t-shirts.



Year 3 enjoyed learning about rocks and volcanoes this half term in their science and geography lessons. They also enjoyed reading The Firework Makers Daughter in English and writing their own instructions.

They have been very lucky to have their PE sessions delivered by a gymnast from the Beth Tweddle Academy and have learnt lots of different rolls, stretches and landings.

They also took part in the Singtastic project with the University of Liverpool where they helped compose some songs. This ended with a fantastic concert in the Tung Auditorium.

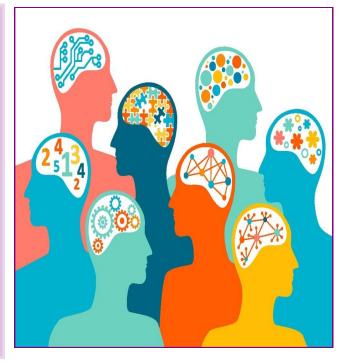






#### **RSHE/PHSE**

This term, Get Set for Life has been focusing on Good to be Me! Lessons have encouraged pupils to focus on their talents, raising their self-esteem and confidence. It was also Neurodiversity Celebration Week where pupils learned about different types of neurodiversity. Some older pupils volunteered to speak about the challenges they face on a daily basis and we are so proud of them for finding courage to speak to their peers! These lessons play an important role in personal growth and selfreflection and are integral to personal development.



### **4**D

In Year 4, we have thoroughly enjoyed stepping back in time to the Tudor period and have loved learning all about Henry VIII and his six wives! In maths we've worked really hard to improve our times tables knowledge and apply it when learning about fractions. We've also really enjoyed reading 'The Hodgeheg' in our English lessons where we've been writing our own leaflets. Science has seen us further developing our understanding of how we can classify animals in different ways. We loved going on a hunt in our own school outdoor environment to find lots of different insects.



#### Attendance



This half term's potato head winners are 4D. Runners up are 1B and in 3rd place 2D.

All the pupils are trying hard to make sure that they are in school each day (and on time) and attendance for most pupils is very good. Keep up the hard work and we will do even better next half term !



**5G** Year 5 have enjoyed a lot of reading-filled activities. They have been reading Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, took part in World Book Day and learning how to write a persuasive leaflet.

In maths, the children have developed their knowledge of fractions, decimals and percentages.

In Come and See, the children have learned about young carers and in science, they learned about solubility and different types of changes (reversible and irreversible).

Our Roots of Empathy 'teacher' Kinsley has also been in school with her mum, showing us how much she has developed.

Dates for your Diary

8th April Pupils return to school

9th April Year 1 phonic check meeting for Parents

12th EID celebration

23rd April Y5 Bikeability

13th-16th May SATs Week for year 6

24th May Whit break (2 weeks)

Summer uniform

Girls – summer dress, purple cardigan, white or grey socks, black shoes.

Boys—grey shorts or long pants, white polo shirt, jumper/ grey socks, black shoes or trainees with black sole.



# HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OUR FAMILIES!

### 6L

This half term, Y6 have enjoyed learning about the impact of deforestation through our class novel: 'Running Wild' by Michael Morpurgo. We have also loved our Science lessons and experiments involving the heart and how to stay healthy.

