



HUNTLEY NEWS January/ February 2024

Our School Vision

Nurtured individuals, learning together with God's love, living life to the full.

Curriculum:

West Midland Safari Park visit – Class Estuary.

Class Estuary spent a day at West Midland Safari park finding out about all the different animals and learning about the conservation projects which are run to protect some of the endangered species. They had a guided



tour on the bus and then visited other areas of the park.

Harriet said that she loved

seeing so many different

animals. She also said that they

found out lots of information about the conservation work carried out at the park.

Seren liked seeing the birds. She explained that she had a pot of food and fed them. They landed on one of the helper's heads and it looked like it might make a nest!

Sybil enjoyed the bat enclosure. She said it was very humid inside and there were bats flying all around. They also watched a sea lion show while they were eating lunch and the sea lion clapped!



Class Stream trip to John Moore Museum.

The children in Class Stream visited the Thomas Moore Museum in Tewkesbury. The children learnt about life in Tudor times, looked at toys the children played with and learnt about how the houses were built.

Monty: My favourite game was shuffleboard because I scored 34 points.

Jacob: I made a house and did some weaving.

Jessica: We looked in the Merchant's house – it was cold.

Felix: I liked playing with the dolls.



Look Who's Talking. On the last week of term, we held our Look Who's Talking heats in classes. Staff were incredibly impressed with the children's presentations and it was evident that a lot of time and effort had gone into preparing them. It was really interesting for everyone to hear about the wide range of hobbies, experiences and interests everyone has.

The finalists were:

Y6: James and Florence.

Y5: Esmae G and Valentino

Y4: Violet and Daisy

Y3: Ted T and Willoughby

Y2: Martha and Eli

Y1: Jude and Harlow

Reception: Felix and Zack

It was a really difficult decision deciding on winners. The final overall winners were:

Y1/2 – Jude with a talk about monkeys, Y3/4 – Violet with her cake making adventures and

Y5/6 James talking about the Space race conspiracy! These three children now go through to the Forest area round next week. We wish them lots of luck!



Safer Internet Day -6th February.

On Safer Internet Day and over the week at school, all children took part in activities to explore this year's theme; Inspiring Change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.

The children explored; how and why we might be influenced, modern technological changes and the impact of artificial intelligence on us as individuals and our world.

KS2 children will also took part in a live lesson where the topics of futuristic technologies and Artificial Intelligence were debated.

For more information about this year's theme or further parental advice for keeping our children safe online please see the link and attachment below which was also sent out via Parentmail at the time.

[Safer Internet Day 24 Newsletter.pdf](#)

[Parent information](#)

Year Six – Schoolbeat visit from PC Greg Steer.

PC Greg came to work with the year sixes to help them gain a better understanding about healthy online relationships.

Tabby: We learn that some people pretend to be nice online but you cannot know what they are like if you do not know them in real life. They might not be who they say they say they are. They could end up tricking you into doing something you don't really want to do.

Amelie: We talked about cyberbullying and that to do if it happens to you. PC Greg also told us a bit about his role in the police and we asked lots of questions.

Open Afternoon. On Friday 15th March we will be having an open afternoon from 2:30 where parents will have the opportunity to come into school and the children can show their work and explain what they have been doing in school over the term. Some of our governors will also be in school.

World Book day .Just a reminder that World Book day is on Thursday 7th March and as mentioned, we are inviting the children to dress up as a character from a book they have enjoyed. Remember the library costume swap is going ahead at the moment.

Behaviour/ Attendance

Our recently updated attendance policy is now on the website.

Congratulations to Class Stream who were class of the week last week. They beat the previous week's winners Estuary by a narrow ten points! Donaldson managed to earn the most house points last week with Dahl and Morpurgo winning over the previous weeks.

Personal Development:

Certificates: These children have been awarded certificates over the past few weeks.

Head teacher's award: Florence.

Class Stream- Isaac, Alexander, Monty and Guy. Whole class for excellent behaviour on their school trip.

Class River- Teddy, George W, Sophie and Martha. Olivia G, Alfie

Class Estuary- Jessie, Rupert, Rufus

Class Ocean – Megan, Anais, Esmay and Florence.

Writers of the week-, James S, Eirwen, Lydia S and Jessica

Science certificates- Louis, Samuel, Norah and Ralph. Eddie, Georgia, Monty

Handwriter of the week- Arlo and Angus.

Times tables Rockstar- Henry S and George.

Numbots

Glass – Eli, Tilly, Isaac

Copper- Jude

Steel- Jacob

Tungstun- Charlotte

Silver- Alfie, Luna

Gold- Alfie

Rust – Milo

Chrome- Monty

99 Club passes

Daisy, Imogen, Louis, William,

Milo, Hope, Teddy, Alfie (x3),

Willow, Henry, Arlo, Angus (x2)

Eli, Tilly, Georgia

Art Club.

The children in KS2 art club have been having lots of fun. Look at the clay creations they made last term.



Palm Sunday service in the church – 24th March.

A date for your diaries. On Sunday 24th March there will be a Palm Sunday service in the church with a special visitor Bishop Robert in attendance. We have been invited to sing during the service and of course the children have chosen 'My Lighthouse' and we have learnt a new song as well. It sounds like it will be quite an interactive service and it would be great if we could get numbers there to celebrate our links with the church.

Fairy garden.



Over half term the fairies have moved in and found a lovely new home in



one of our raised beds! If anyone has any friends that could join them, please let us know!

Leadership and Management:

WOW!! We have recently received a letter from the Minister for Schools Damian Hinds, congratulating the school for being within the top 200 performing in the country for the multiplication check. Our results were incredible and we are very proud of the children- it is really nice for this to be recognised!

Miss Bramley has led us on a journey with our maths and we are now consistently achieving above national levels. This why she is now sharing her expertise as a maths lead teacher, with other schools. We regularly have staff from other schools coming into school and watching our teachers deliver maths lessons. These are combined with workshops looking at different maths concepts, lead by Miss Bramley.

Last term our governor's meetings went ahead, firstly the various committee meetings and then a full governing board meeting.

We would like to welcome two new governors to the team and say a huge thank you. Firstly, our recently elected parent governor Mrs Lara Gillman and Mrs Bethannie Davis who has been nominated as a Foundation governor. I know they have been in post a while now but it was lovely to be back to a full complement of governors at our last meeting.