



HUNTLEY NEWS January/February 2025

Our School Vision

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

Curriculum:



Class River – talk about Victorian clothing

Last term in Class River we learnt about clothing through the ages. This term we had some visitors in school (our neighbours!) to show us some Victorian clothing and to teach us a bit more Victorian life.



We saw some shoes which did not look very comfortable but were really pretty. There was a petticoat which could set fire if the lady was near an open fire. There have been records of a lot of people dying because they could not get it off quickly enough. There was a bag with shiny green bits on it – they were the wings of beetles!



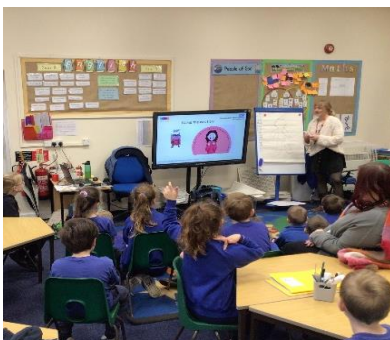
We learnt about 'fan language' and made our own fans to try it out. At balls the ladies would use their fans to communicate whether they did or did not want to dance and when they were leaving. We practiced it together.

We learnt a lot of new things about the Victorians and it was great to see some real Victorian clothing.

Young Minds Matter visit

We welcomed Young Mind Matters in, to run a workshop for children on year 2,3 and 4 to look at emotional regulation. The children considered different emotions and how these might feel.

They then looked at lots of different scenarios in which these emotions might occur and thought about how they might react.



Gymnastics



The children in Class River and Stream, enjoyed a term of gymnastics with a local coach. They focussed on rolling and balancing as they developed their gymnastics skills. This term is the turn of Class Ocean and Estuary.



Look Who's Talking

Firstly, a massive congratulations to all those who took part. It was so lovely that everyone took part in Class River, Estuary and Ocean. We also had some very strong entries from children in reception and year one! The range of topics has great from favourite books, pets, historic events and famous people. It was also really interesting learning about the different hobbies the children have.

Congratulations to our Year group winners:

Y2: Jacob and Isaac Y3: Alfie and Teo Y4: Freya and Willoughby Y5: Daisy and Y6: Erin, Lydia, Eryn and George,

A huge thankyou to Erin and Willoughby for representing the school in the Forest Final.

Also, it was so lovely that Harley then showed his presentation about diabetes and his journey with the whole school. It gave us all a better understanding and the school council, with Harley's help will be holding a non- uniform and diabetes awareness day later in the year to raise funds for Diabetes UK.

Likewise, Harriet shared her presentation on asthma to increase everyone's awareness which has really clear and useful

Georgia spoke confidently to the school about her recent spinal operation. She explained the operation she had and her time since then with her intensive physio and learning to walk again. She showed everyone her stander, walker and class chair and explained everything really clearly.

Thank you all three of you for being brave and sharing with us all!



Behaviour/ Attendance

Breakfast club pilot: After Easter we will be starting a free breakfast club from 8:10 in school for anyone interested. We have been selected to take part in a national breakfast club pilot as they are hoping to run the scheme out in all school next year. Further details about the booking process etc will be coming out soon.

Term dates: Term dates for next year are on the website to help with holiday planning. Just a reminder that we cannot authorise any holidays term time and if times if taken out of school for 10 sessions (5 days) in a ten -week period, a fine will be issued. Thank you for your support with this. Further information can be found in our attendance policy which is published on the website.

Personal Development:

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

Head teacher award- Eryn and Willoughby. George. Harriet and Rufus

Class Stream- Tabby, Finley C and Guy. Zack, Quinn and Cody.

Class River- Arlo, Martha, Eirwen and Rafael. Hope Jessica Matthew and Alfie. Jude, Georgia and Bailey.

Class Estuary- Ralph, Willow, Freddie, Freya and Cecilia. Daisy, Henry S and Elsa. Imogen, George W, Willoughby and Samuel.

Class Ocean – Lydia, Lily and Eryn.

Writers of the week- Reuben, Holly, Joanne. Jake, Charlotte. Isabella and Quinn

Science certificates-Arlo, Louie, Sybil and Alfie.

Hand writer of the week- Isaac

Pen Licence- Teo and Eli. Alfie, Hope and Milo

TT Rockstar- Elsa and Violet.



Numbots

Brass- Isabella Finley and Quinn

Tungsten – Alexander

Glass- Alexander

Tin – Finley Felix

Steel – Zack, Isabella

Copper- Quinn, Finley, Isabella

Aluminium – Alexander

Chrome- Holly

Kevalar- Alexander

99 Club passes

George, Eryn, Rufus, Jo, Harriet

Willow, Freya, Brody, Elsa, Henry S, Elsa, Freddie, Cecilia

Teo, Amelia, Eli, Martha, Sophie, Isaac, Henry, Matthew, Arlie, Jude, Monty, Alfie, Isaac, Jacob, Angus,



Other awards:

Congratulations to who Oliver and Reuben who won last term's reading raffle in Class Stream



Photography Club

We are very lucky that Mrs Bryson, one of our governors, shares her expertise and runs a photography club for us. This year she has been working hard to promote the Gloucestershire Photography competition and we have had a fantastic 23 entries. We will publish these on the website when the



competition has been judged. A massive thank you to Mrs Bryson for sorting this out – I know it was a lot of work. Thank you too for coming in and running extra sessions at lunchtimes to help children choose an image and talk them through the process.

Each week photography club have a different theme – this term this has include food and a visit to Leaf to look at the plants there.

Every week Mrs Bryson asks for judges to choose a photographer of the week – this is always a hard job! On this particular week it was too hard to choose on winner and all the judges chose someone different!

Leadership and Management:

Welcome back Mrs Ramsden (Miss Dawson) who joins Mrs Hulse in Class River. It has been a real pleasure teaching for the last few months and I know the children will make Mrs Ramsden very welcome!

A huge thank you to Gardener's garage for the holding the Golden Ticket event which raised £180 for school. We are so lucky to have the support of this local business. We will be using the money to buy resources for lunchtime play!

Thank you to our governors who have been in school with us to carry out visits focussing on science, our Gloucestershire Music provision and a DT sewing lesson. Staff have all recently carried out emotion coaching training and we are looking at ways to embed this within our current practice.

