

# Monday 14th th November 2022

Thank you to all the parents who attended parents evening. I hope that you found the information useful. This relationship between school, parents and child is crucial to ensure every child receives the highest level of Care and education. In addition to formal parents evenings, I would encourage you to contact school at any time if you have any questions, or if we can be of any further help.

Our focus in school this week is anti-bullying week. Please use this link to find out further information:

https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/anti-bullying-week-2022-reach-out

#### Reception



We have had a fantastic week in Reception! The children have had lots of fun decorating their Diva Lamps that they made to celebrate Diwali. They have also enjoyed learning about space and finding out about Tim Peake who is R Peake's inspirational person. We created our own space dance!

We have spent some time this week finding out about climate change and COP27. We talked about how we all have a part to play and how we can help our world by making small changes. Have a read of some of the children's ideas about how we can all

help. We spoke to the children about how we can help others around school and the children decided they wanted to help our site team by sweeping up the leaves, well done Reception!



#### Year 1

During our history lesson this week, the children began to discuss and explore inequality. Through the use of drama, the children were given either a red or blue dot. The red dots were allowed to sit on their chairs and enjoy biscuits whilst watching part of a film. The blue dots had to stand at the back of the room and face the wall. After experiencing this unfair treatment, the children all came together (whilst enjoying the biscuits) and had a fantastic discussion about how they felt in the different roles. The children began to understand the difficulty of not being allowed to do something just because of their specific dot. Then, we linked this to Mary Seacole, who was not allowed to be a nurse because of the colour of her skin. Despite this inequality, she used her determination to open her own hospital and pursue her dream of becoming a nurse.







## Year 3

In history this week, Year 3 have been using primary sources to find out about what life was like in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We took part in an archaeological dig and carefully excavated artefacts. We then worked as historians to think about what the artefacts were, what they were made from and what we can learn from them about life in prehistoric times.









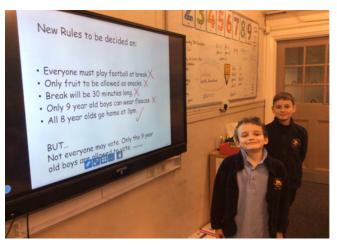
On Friday 11th November, Year 3 learnt about the importance of Remembrance Day and how we show respect to those who fought in wars. We followed instructions carefully to make poppies and considered their significance.



### Year 4

This week, we learned about Ancient Greek democracy by voting on some new school rules. Most of the children were furious that only the 9 year old boys were allowed to vote but they cheered up when the boys decided that all 8 year olds could leave at 3pm every day!









#### Star of the Week

Over the last few weeks we have discussed the UNICEF Rights of a child and also linked these to our Behaviour Pillars: Ready, Respectful and Safe. We know that when children abide by these simple pillars, it has far more impact than any long list of behaviour rules. The children chosen for Star of the Week this week are fantastic role models consistently modelling what excellent behaviour looks like. Well done all!



#### Year 2

In Year 2 we have been investigating Islamic religious artefacts. We have been discussing what they were, what they were used for and we also tried to work out why the objects are very special to Muslims.



## Scholastic book fair



Thank you to everyone who came to the book fair this week during parents' evening. It was so lovely to see the children excited to buy new books. We will update you on how much money was raised for school and what books we buy for the library.

We really value your opinion, especially with regards to reading. Please could you fill out our parent questionnaire on reading. There are only 9 questions and it takes less than 2 minutes to complete. Click the link below to complete.

https://forms.gle/w6kNMh6tKFeQZAtT8

## **Important Dates**

- Stay and Read for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children and parents will continue on Thursday mornings 8.40 to 9.10am
- School breaks up for half term on Friday 23rd December
- School reopens on Tuesday 10th January
- Stockport Academy Christmas Market Saturday 26th November 11am 2pm



