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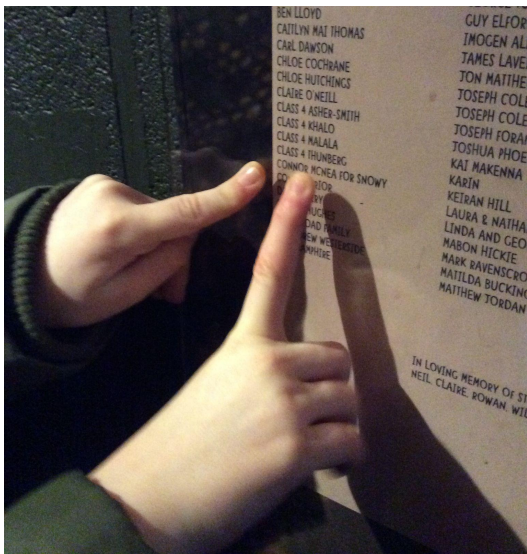
Friday 20th January 2023

What an amazing day!

I hope that your child has come home with lots of stories about the animals they have seen at the zoo and the great time they had! It really was a special day for us to be able to take the whole school to the zoo and we hope it has created lifelong memories for your children.

The children's behaviour was fantastic and as always they were polite and courteous. They showed a real interest in the animals and it was an absolute pleasure to take them.

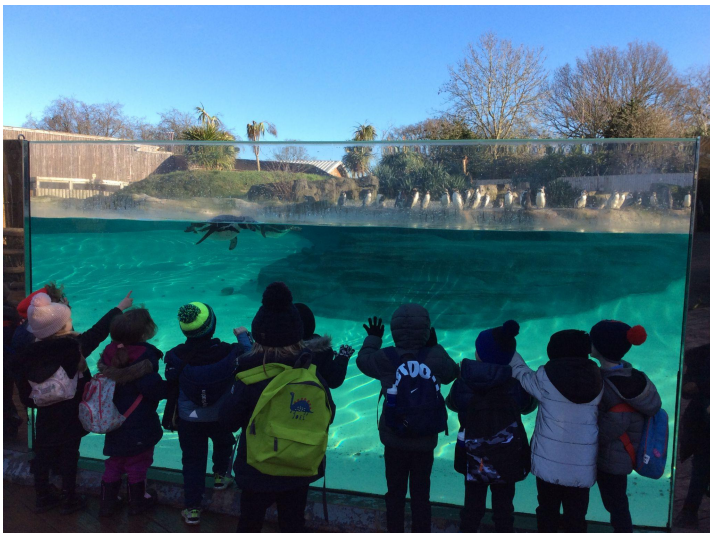
I would like to add a few thank yous. The first one to Arthur's mum, one of our parent governors, who found the opportunity and suggested we go. The second, to Mrs Williams and Mrs Morley in the office, who seamlessly took care of all the logistics to ensure the trip went smoothly. Thirdly, to everyone who donated money to cover the cost of the coaches. Fourthly, to the army of volunteers and our staff who looked after the children whilst they were there. Finally, as always, to all our children for being a pleasure to spend time with. More pictures will follow on SeeSaw.







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Science

This week in Science, Year 3 have made their own skeletons and have been learning about the three main functions of a skeleton (protection, support and movement).



Year 4 have been investigating how sound is made through vibrations. They used guitars, drums, triangles and milk bottles to investigate this.



Reception

In Reception this week we have started celebrations for Chinese New Year! The children have had fun exploring their senses using spices, lemons and limes in sensory play and they have been learning a dragon dance. We will continue our celebrations next week performing our dragon dance around school! We have also been learning about Road Safety. We went on a walk around school looking at different road signs, we demonstrated how the pelican crossing works and talked about how we can keep safe by following the Green Cross Code. The children were very well behaved and asked some fantastic questions.



Year 5 - Design Technology Day

Towards the end of the previous term, we started a Design Technology unit focusing on frames. The children were given a design brief of creating a climbing frame for younger children. They started by researching different frame types and how triangulation works to create strength; this was followed by market research, which involved interviewing Year 1 children and finding out what they would want in a climbing frame. They then moved onto the design phase just prior to Christmas. This led to Tuesday where they were tasked with building small models of their designs, using hacksaws, hand drills, different types of wood and PVA glue. We have included some pictures of them working and their work...



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
- Young Voices January 30th
- School breaks up for half term on Friday 17th February
- School reopens on Tuesday 28th February