



Newsletter

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Class 4 at the Sedgwick

Class 4 have recently visited the Sedgwick Museum in Cambridge to find out more about their current project entitled *Darwin's Delights*. The class enjoyed a taught session at the museum and were able to spend time with their extensive fossil collection.



also gave some demonstrations around the theme of states of matter. He spoke very highly of the inquisitive and interested nature of the children he met.

A number of parents were brave enough to give talks to classes on areas of expertise about:

- DNA structure – Class 1 – Dr Sarah Burge
- Micro-organisms – Classes 2 and 4 – Dr Paula Darley
- The human ear and how we hear – Class 3 – Ms Erika Bosman
- The human body clock – Class 4 – Mr Stuart Farrow
- Penicillin – Class 2 – Dr Jessica D'Arcy
- Engineering – Class 4 – Mr Carl Wright

Science Week

A huge thank you to Miss Love and all our volunteers and volunteer organisations who supported us with last week's fantastic Science Week.

Our week started with a great assembly from the Chemistry Department of the University of Cambridge. We looked at chemical changes and, of course, what chemistry demonstration is complete without a few exploding hydrogen balloons! Mr Martin was even brave enough to let them burn hydrogen in his hand... (It's important to know that no teachers were harmed in the carrying out of these experiments.)

Sawston Village College visited on Wednesday afternoon with a collection of microscopes and the

opportunity to carry out some investigations using them. They worked with all classes. Year 4 travelled to Melbourn Village College on the Friday to make good use of their science labs.

We welcomed Frank Dean from Ion Science who spoke to every class in the school about the work which takes place at the company and

Quantum Theatre visited on Thursday afternoon to share one of their exciting science productions.

We finished the week in spectacular style, with a huge range of physics demonstrations in



our Sharing Assembly on Friday. Our thanks to Dr Elaine Loukes for guiding us through light, electricity, energy and angular momentum (amongst others). We were even able to rope in a few parent volunteers!

I've caught so many science-themed conversations in the corridors, both during and after the week, so all that work has definitely had an impact!

Football

Our final football match of the season was against Melbourn Primary. We started well going 1-0 up in the first half, but in the end lost 1-5. This was our last match of the season.

We will shortly take the posts down on the Butts to give the goal areas a chance to recover!

Congratulations to...

- The following winners of the science poster competition, whose entries will be put forward for the national competition: George C, Kylee, Carla, Thomas B (all Class 2) and Maisie (Class 4). Well done all!
- Toby Y (Class 4) for his participation in the National Judo Championships. He met his target for the competition finishing in 7th place overall. A great achievement for a first appearance at national level!

Reminders

- Booking forms for After-School Club need to be returned by Monday 26th March. Our Admissions and Fees Policy is now on the school website.

Mr Philip Atkin
Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 23rd March	PTFA Quiz Night
Thursday 29th March	Last day of Spring Term
Monday 16th April	School Closed for Staff Training
Tuesday 17th April	First day of Summer Term
Friday 20th April	Year 5/6 Swimming Gala
Monday 23rd April	Class 1 Stay-and-Play Maths Session
Tuesday 24th April	KS2 Cross Country (rescheduled)
Tuesday 24th April	PTFA Meeting
Wednesday 25th April	Swimming Club Training, 6pm
Friday 27th April	Swimming Club Training, 9am
Monday 7th May	School Closed – May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 11th May	Class 2 Assembly, 8.50am
Monday 14th May – Thursday 17th May	Year 6 Testing Week
Wednesday 16th May	Class 1 New Parents' Meeting, 7pm
Friday 18th May	Students from Ecole Victor Hugo visiting Class 4
Saturday 19th May – Sunday 20th May	PTFA Art Exhibition
Thursday 24th May	Sports' Day, 1.15pm
Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June	Half-Term Holiday
Wednesday 6th June	Class 2 Castles Day
Friday 8th June	Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket Competition
Tuesday 12th June	Year 5 Day at Melbourn Village College
Thursday 14th June	Class 1 Visit to Botanic Gardens
Friday 15th June	KS2 Concert, 7pm
Thursday 21st June	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Competition (rescheduled)
Monday 25th June	Year 6 Intake Evening at MVC
Tuesday 6th June	Year 6 Induction Day at MVC
Wednesday 4th July	Year 6 Induction Day at SVC
Thursday 5th July	Year 3/4 Kwik Cricket Competition
Friday 13th July	PTFA Summer Disco and Barbecue
Tuesday 24th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly