

Hawthorn, Hazel and Holly Class

2nd July 2021

News and Reminders

Year 5 reading challenge - an update: Over the past fortnight, Year 5 have made incredible progress towards their reading challenge target. They have now read 2,706,680 words collectively. Their target is to read 3.5 million words by the end of this academic year. Good luck Year 5! We know you can reach your target in the next few weeks.

Library Books: We kindly ask that all library books are returned to school. We will not be visiting the library in the next few weeks in order to collect the books and organise them for September. Please remind your child to give their book to a classroom adult as they need to get signed back into the library system.

PE Days: As there may be some changes over the next few weeks, the children's PE days may be different. We will inform the children of any changes in advance and also send reminders out via ParentMail.

School Uniform: Even though we are coming to the last few weeks of the Summer Term, all children should still be wearing the correct school uniform (or PE kit on PE days). We would like to remind everyone that the only jewellery that should be worn in school is a small pair of stud earrings. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Homework

Spelling: Today, the children had their last spelling test for this academic year. Please can we ask you and your child to continue to practise their spellings throughout the summer holiday. This will help prepare them for next year.

Year 5: The children in Year 5 have a maths task and a spelling task to complete on Seesaw for the next two weeks. Their last piece of homework will be set on Friday 9th July.

Year 6: The Year 6 children do not have any homework on Seesaw. They are to use this time to practise and memorise their lines for the end of year production.

Our Learning

Inspirational Person Visit: On Tuesday, as part of our Inspirational People topic, we were lucky enough to have an active workshop and presentation given by Peter Bakare. Peter is a truly multi-talented athlete, starting out as a basketball player then competing at the London 2012 Olympics in Volleyball. He is also an enthusiastic and successful animator. He spoke about his journey to becoming an Olympian, reminded us of the importance of a growth mindset and also helped us learn some new volleyball skills (dig - set - hit)! Thank you to Peter for motivating us and teaching us new skills.



Inter-House Competitions: This week, we held two inter-house sporting competitions: cricket and dodgeball. It was wonderful to see the children coming together as a year group and applying the skills they have learnt this year. Following the workshop with Peter Bakare, it was fantastic to see so many children demonstrating great sportsmanship.

Year 5 Assessment Week: This week, Year 5 have been completing their final assessments for this academic year. They all put in tremendous effort, used a growth mindset and were resilient. Well done Year 5!

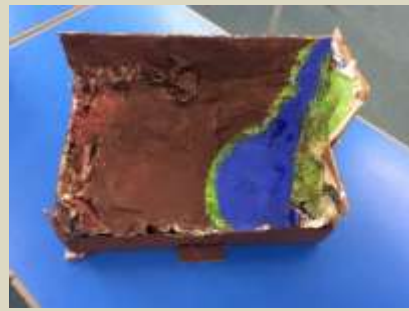
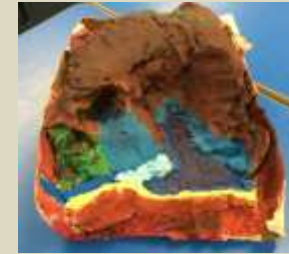


Literacy: After reading *Holes* and learning of Stanley's experiences at Camp Green Lake, we planned and participated in a debate. The proposing side gave arguments to support boys being sent to Camp Green Lake, while the opposing side gave reasons against boys being sent to Camp Green Lake. We followed the structure of a debate and ensured that we followed the rules. Both sides presented

very convincing and justified arguments and reasons.



Topic and Art: When creating their sculptures of the Grand Canyon, the children thought carefully about the structure, shape, texture and colours. Here are just a few of their creations:



Superstar Learners

Christian Values Certificates: Well done to those children who have been awarded a Christian Value certificate.

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Hawthorn: Jesse - Cooperation	Hawthorn: Summer and Braydon - Love
Hazel: Jess He - Responsibility	Hazel: Kayla - Cooperation
Holly: Asher - Respect	Holly: Bobbi- Rose and Emily H - Love and Cooperation

Times Table Rock Stars: Well done to the following children from each class who contributed the most to the half term Times Table Rock Stars challenge.

Hawthorn	Hazel	Holly
Finch	Jeremiah	Jennah
Grace	Josh	Millie
Kaylon	Dexter	Cai



Performing Puppets: As the children in Nursery and Reception have been learning about the seaside, Teddy (Hazel Class) was asked to perform a Punch and Judy puppet show for them. Teddy was very professional and there were lots of laughs from the children (and the audience). Well done Teddy!

Diary Dates

Thursday 8th and Friday 9th July: Transition days. The children in Year 5 will spend both days with their new class teacher. Year 6 children will be in school. Many secondary schools have provided transition activities for the children to complete.

Monday 12th - Wednesday 14th July: Bikeability (for those children who applied and received places).

Friday 16th July: Year 6 adventure day at Go Ape.

Monday 19th July: Year 6 end of year celebration,

Tuesday 20th July at 1pm: Parents and carers are invited in to watch the Year 6 end of year production (please refer to Ms Martin's letter for further details).

Wednesday 21st July: Last day of Summer Term (school closes at 1pm).