

LITTLETOWN J I & N SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MAY 2021



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Early Years

We have had a fantastic term exploring countries around the world. We started off by focusing on Africa while reading Anna Hibiscus's Song and Handa's Surprise. It was interesting to compare Anna's modern African city, with Handa's traditional village. We tasted some tasty fruits and acted out the story with fruit on top of our heads just like Handa. We also made some clay models of the fruits using our hands

or sculpting tools. Towards the end of the half term, we looked at an Indian forest and read the story 'No Dinner'. Reception made their own atlases, they loved looking at the globe, and the large world map. First, they named countries that they knew and have visited, and then looked at places they would like to explore more. We have explored Russia, Lapland, Scotland and America to name a few.



Class 2

This half term class two have enjoyed learning about trees and plants as part of our science topic. We decided to plant our own sunflower seeds and are looking after them by making sure to water them and keep them in the sunlight.





Class 3

This half term we have designed and created our very own fairy doors. We felt inspired after reading our class book, 'The Enchanted Wood'. We worked so hard to make sure that they were perfect and put so much effort into the tiny details. All that is left to do now is to take them to the woods for the fairies of Liversedge to use!



Class 4

This half term in class four, we have been working exceptionally hard in maths in a series of Fractions lesson. The children in class four worked practically in understanding what a fraction is and how to answer tricky problem-solving fractions questions. We even took our learning outside and completed a fractions treasure trail! Take a look at these pictures of us in action... in and out of the classroom!





Class 5

"This half term, Class 5 have fully immersed themselves into our Science unit, demonstrating their ability to test their own hypothesis and record their results in a fair and consistent way. We have delved into the world of 'rocks' and looked closely at the properties of rocks and their suitability for certain things. We have thoroughly enjoyed getting our lab coats on and stepping into the role of a true scientist, exploring the materials on our planet!"





Class 6

Class 6 have enjoyed an extended history topic around the Ancient Greek civilization for last half term and this – because they have all been so interested and eager to learn about the past and the legacy the Ancient Greeks have left for the modern world! There has been so much to discover, we have looked at artefacts and architecture, philosophers and key thinkers, understood key wars such as the Trojan and Peloponnesian war, learnt about Alexander the Great and his conquests and explored a range of myths and legends that the Ancient Greeks believed in.

Legacy Sports Clubs

Due to Legacy sports club being so popular this half term we have decided to extend these throughout next half term. These will continue to run free of charge on the following dates:

Weds 9th June - Weds 14th July-Class 3

Thurs 10th June - Thurs 15th July—Class 2

Fri 11th June - Fri 16th July—Class 5

Mon 14th June - Mon 19th July-Class 4

Tues 15th June - Tues 20th July-Class 6

We are an Operation Encompass school

What is an Operation Encompass School?

As part of a range of work to tackle domestic violence and abuse Kirklees Children's services, West Yorkshire Police and schools across Kirklees have developed a process to provide better support to children affected by domestic violence.

The Kirklees process will involve notifying schools and educational establishments when one of their pupils has been present at an incident of domestic violence where the police have attended. This notification will be done the following morning- ideally before the start of the school day.

The purpose of the notification is not to duplicate or replace any safeguarding interventions that may occur as a result of the police intervention, but to provide information to schools so that they can better support the pupil the next day in whatever way is appropriate. The process will always be followed in conjunction with current safeguarding procedures and guidelines

If you feel that you are a victim of domestic abuse, you can access some resources and support from site below: https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/domestic-abuse/index.aspx

You can also get in touch with us in school through email or ask for a chat. We will do everything that we can to help you.



Online safety

Net Aware is a website created by the NSPCC. You can use to look up any apps, games and social media sites to check their appropriateness for your child and how to set them up as safely as possible.





Teachinglive.net

The children in class 4 and 5 have been loving their writing lessons with Pie Corbett.

The writing that the children have been producing is wonderful and their vocabulary development is incredible.

This will continue into the next half term for both classes.

Emotional Wellbeing and drama with Lucy

As part of our recovery curriculum, we have paid for a drama teacher to work with our children this half term on emotional regulation and mindfulness through story.

The lessons have been online and the they have been well received across the classes.

https://vimeo.com/506108866 The link above will show you a mindfulness activity.

Half Term Ideas

Boston baked Beans

Ingredients:

12 x Quorn Chipolata sau-

sages

1 small onion

1 Red pepper

1 clove of garlic

1/2 teaspoon of paprika

35g Bbg Sauce

2 tins of baked beans

Serve with jacket

potato or pasta

Method:

Cook the sausage in the oven for 15 mins

Fry the onions for 5 minutes until soft.

Add the garlic, pepper and paprika fry for a further 3 mins

Place the beans in a pan and gently bring to the

Add the onions, pepper and BBQ sauce to the

Cut the sausages and add to the pan for a further minute.



Message from Mrs Wensley and Mrs Lombard

Thank you to families once again for the support that you have shown in adhering to the school plans and working with us to keep our children and families as safe as we can this half term.

The road map has entered into the next stage of the easing of restrictions but for us in school the guidance remains the same. So we will continue to work, eat and play in our class bubbles and implement our well embedded hygiene regime after the half term.

We do not know when government guidance may change for school but when it does we will make changes accordingly.

Please continue to adhere to the traffic flow arrangements, wear a mask at the gate, let us know if your child has any symptoms of Coronavirus and arrange a test if required.

The children in school have been working really hard this half term and we are extremely proud of each and everyone of them.

We are looking forward to enjoying the last summer term and hope that the weather will improve so that we can enjoy lots of learning outside. We are making plans to celebrate with our leavers and we will let you know our plans after half term.

We have greatly missed Mrs Ward being in school, but she will be back to school after half term. She is doing really well and on the road to recovery.

Have a lovely half term and we hope to see all children back safely in June.

Reminder if your child develops Covid symptoms (Temperature, cough, loss of taste/smell) during the holiday please follow guidelines and get a PCR test and email the office any results.

Emergency Contact Details

Please can you make sure you let school know immediately any change in telephone numbers or addresses.