

Nursery and Reception

LONG AGO

Nursery and Reception's topic this term is Long Ago. They are learning about the passing of time and spending time talking about how they have grown and changed since they were babies.

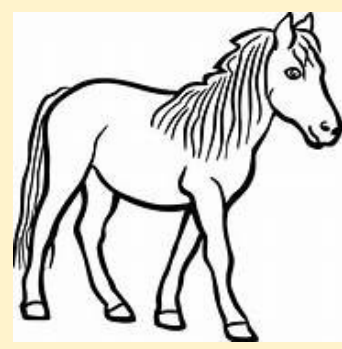
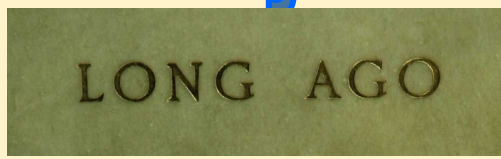
This week, our Reception children had the exciting opportunity to have a private workshop with the National Gallery in London. Fiona, a Gallery Educator, showed us photos that helped us to understand where the gallery is located and what it looks like inside. She then took us on an interactive virtual walk through the museum. As part of the tour, Fiona focused our attention on an individual painting and brought it to life through storytelling. The painting we focused on was Pieter de Hooch's 'Courtyard of a House in Delft' and gave us the opportunity to talk about differences between the past and present day.

Part of the story behind the painting focused on a lost horse. Fiona challenged us to imagine the background behind this well known horse painting.





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Year 1 & 2

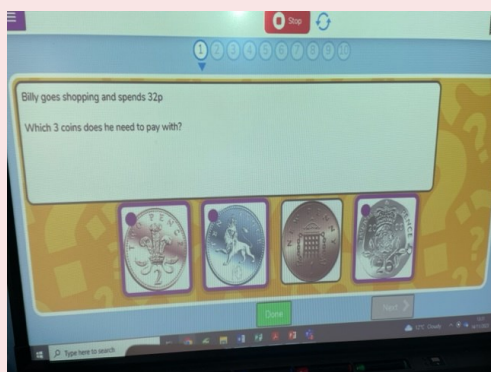
Looking at Learning

Over the last couple of weeks, in our Maths lessons, the children have been learning to identify and compare the value of UK coins and notes.

Once this was secure, the children moved onto exploring how to pay a given amount by combining different coins to find the total.

Year 1 children were combining coins to make 10p, and the Year 2 children combined coins to total £2.

On Tuesday afternoon, the children enjoyed using the laptops to complete a series of games on Purple Mash, which enabled them to further practise the skills taught.





Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



Unfortunately, we still have an unacceptable number of pupils for whom attendance and punctuality is causing concern.

Our school monitoring records show a clear correlation between children with poor attendance and those that do not make the academic progress that we aim for.

Children should be in school every day (the school day begins at 8.55am and they should be ready to enter the classroom at this time).

Children should attend school every day and should still attend if they feel tired or are a little 'under the weather'. Sibling and family illness is not an acceptable reason for absence. For more serious or contagious illnesses (vomiting bugs, diarrhoea, chicken pox etc.) then any absence from school should be reported (by telephone or email) to the school office.

**190
DAYS
100%**



**183
DAYS
96%**



**179
DAYS
94%**



**175
DAYS
92%**



**More than
18 days
absence less
than 90%**



ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

was 95%

9 Days from School

50 Lessons

was 90%

19 Days from School

100 Lessons

was 85%

29 Days from School

150 Lessons

was 80%

38 Days from School

200 Lessons

was 75%

48 Days from School

250 Lessons

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



During our history lesson this week, the children explored prehistoric scenes, creatures, and tools using picture cards placed at different research stations across the classroom. Their goal was to answer questions related to each picture.

The children were divided into small groups, and each group received a set of research question sheets to record their answers. They had 10 minutes to visit each research station, answer the questions, and discuss their findings with their group members. They were encouraged to be curious, ask questions, and share ideas.

When the time was up, Miss Singh gathered all the children together, allowing them time to share and compare their thoughts and ideas.

The children discovered that during the Stone Age, people decorated the walls of caves with pictures of animals and people. Stone Age people lived a hunter-gatherer lifestyle, meaning they hunted animals and gathered nuts and berries to eat. Tools and weapons were crafted from stone, bone, and other natural materials. They learned that fire was very important to Stone Age people.



INVERTEBRATES

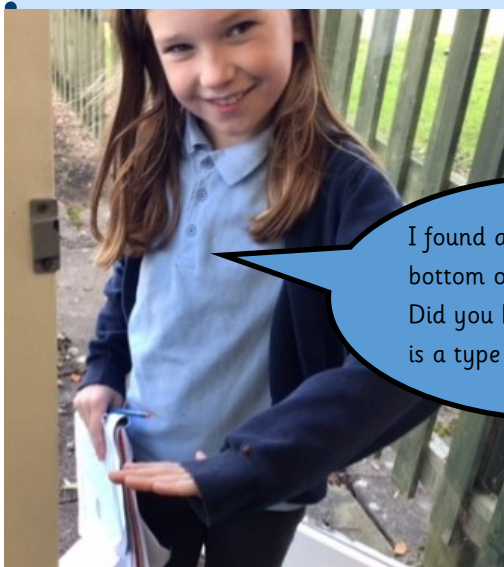
5/6

This week the children in 5/6 have continued their learning about invertebrates. They have used flow charts to identify invertebrates in our class garden and then plotted them onto maps that we drew at the end of last week to show where their habitats are. We were surprised by the variety of creatures we found in a relatively small space.

We also looked at invertebrates from further afield. We used the internet to find out where they could be found and then plotted them onto a world map.

For both maps we created keys to make it easy to spot where the invertebrates could be found.

Towards the end of the week we looked at instructions and began constructing 'bug-hotels' in the hope of attracting more invertebrates to our garden.



I found a ladybird at the bottom of our class garden. Did you know that a ladybird is a type of beetle?



Our 'BUG-HOTELS'

We made our bug hotels using scrap in order to be sympathetic to our environment



Odd Sock Day - Tuesday 21st November

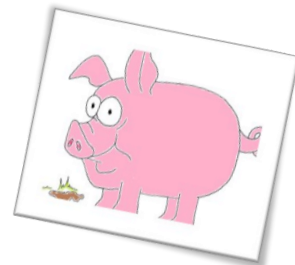
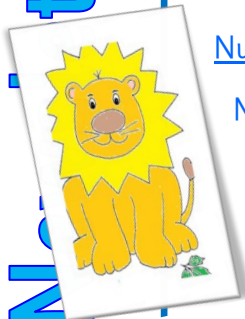
Children are invited to celebrate Anti bullying week by wearing odd socks on Tuesday 21st November. In assembly this week, the children have found out about Anti-Bullying week. The school Play Leaders, Jessica, Aiden and Tyler will be supporting the children over the coming weeks to make friendship bracelets with materials kindly donated by Barratt Homes.



Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery & Reception

Mrs Manley and Mrs Hartley have chosen Miley as their class hero this week. Miley has been really enthusiastic about practicing his letter formation during our phonic sessions. He has also created some excellent pictures in Drawing Club with an increased focus on adding detail in. Well done Miley!



Co-operate

Years 1 & 2

Mrs Hill and Mrs Munday's hero for this week is Osman for his fabulous home learning about the planets and the solar system. Osman regularly completes wonderful work at home to support his learning about our topic. These are always completed to a very high standard, and he is always very proud to share his work with the class. Well done Osman, what a super attitude to your learning!



Persevere



Have a go

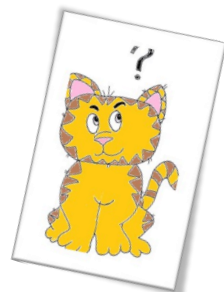
Concentrate

Years 3 & 4

Miss Singh has chosen Mateusz as this week's hero for his phenomenal home learning work. Mateusz found images of different artefacts from the Bronze Age. Then, he conducted further research to find out the name of the artefact, its use, and what it tells us about everyday life in the Bronze Age. Superb curiosity, Mateusz!



Keep on improving



Years 5 & 6

My hero this week is Lexie. She has worked particularly hard this week on some extra home learning that I set and for being more active in our class discussions explaining her point of view and reasoning. Keep up the good work Lexie.



Use your imagination



Enjoy learning

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Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



RISE MHST

Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST)

Tips For Wellness:

LAUGHTER

"Laughter is the shortest distance between two people" – Victor Borge

Our wellbeing benefits from laughing regularly, as it builds and strengthens social connections and can release stress. Laughter has short-term benefits as it can create physical changes in your body and soothes tension. It can also support us in the long term by improving our immune system, relieving pain and improving our self-esteem.

It can feel difficult to start laughing if you are feeling low, but a good place to begin is to remember what has made you laugh in the past!

Our tips for laughter:

- 1- Smiling is contagious, just like laughter. Try smiling more often, as it has a positive effect on you and the people around.
- 2- Share a laugh. Make a conscious effort to spend time with friends who make you laugh. Return the favour by sharing funny stories or jokes with those around you!
- 3- It can be difficult to know where to start, so try preparing to laugh. Create a collection of funny movies, tv shows, funny photos and videos for when you need a humour boost.
- 4- Try laughing yoga, which is prolonged voluntary laughter that is designed to create positive energy. It will feel forced at first, but it will eventually become spontaneous.

#ThanksKids recognises the efforts and kindness of children and young people, and thanks them with personalised #NHSStars certificates. If you know a child or young person that deserves recognition for going above and beyond, don't wait, nominate!

thankskids@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



In line with this weeks mental health topic of Laughter, our school Mental Health Ambassadors are sharing their favourite jokes to help you to laugh.

What did the cat say to his friend?
You look purrrrfect today!

What does a cloud wear under his raincoat?
Thunderwear.

Why did the kid bring a ladder to school?
Because she wanted to go to high school.

What do you call a bear with no teeth?
A gummy bear!

Diary Dates



Tuesday 21 st November	Odd Sock Day for Anti Bullying Week
Thursday 23 November	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 winter theatre trips
Friday 24 November	Mufti Day (non-uniform day), please bring a donation (50p suggested) towards school fund.
*Thursday 30 th November	Family learning session, pizza making. See newsletters regarding booking information.
December	
Monday 4 December	INSET day
*Thursday 7 th December	Family learning session, winter craft. See newsletters regarding booking information.
*Monday 11 th December	Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 winter theatre trip
*Wednesday 13 th December	Winter performance afternoon for pupils in Reception-Y6, parents invited.
Monday 25 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024	Christmas Holiday School returns on Tuesday 9 January



With best wishes from Mrs Westwood, Mrs Manley and all the staff at
Lighthorne Heath Primary School.

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Barnardo's Warwickshire Children and Family Centres

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Email: warwickdistrictcfc@barnardos.org.uk

<https://instagram.com/warwickcfc/>

<https://www.facebook.com/warwickchildrenscentres/>

Check out our ebook page at 10am daily for ideas and activities to enjoy

Lillington C&FC
Toddler Time
Wednesday 10:00-11:30

Baby Time
Friday 10:00-11:30

Westgate C&FC
Toddler Time
Wednesday 11:00-12:30

Baby Time
Wednesday 1:30-3:00

Kingsway C&FC
Baby Time
Thursday 10:00-11:30

Toddler Time
Thursday 1:00-2:30

Would you like to talk to someone about your child's speech & language development?
Call Helen on 07703 381764

Sydni Centre
Toddler Time
Tuesday 9:30-11:00

St Johns
Baby Time
Tuesday 9:30-11:00

Heathcote Community Centre
Baby Time
Wednesday 1:30-3:00

The Gap
Toddler Time
Thursday 1:00-2:30

St Margaret's Church
Toddler Time
Friday 10:15-11:45



To book a place on one of our sessions, please follow this link: <https://warwickdistrictcfc.eventbrite.com> or scan the code

Lillington C&FC
3 Mason Avenue
Lillington CV32 7QE
01926 887597

Westgate C&FC
Bowling Green Street
Warwick CV34 4DD
01926 490629

Kingsway C&FC
Baker Avenue
Leamington Spa CV31 3HB
01926 336793

Sydni Centre
Cottage Square
Sydenham CV31 9PT

St John's Family and Wellbeing Centre
Mortimer Road
Kenilworth CV8 9FS

Heathcote Community Centre
Crossida Close
Heathcote CV34 6DZ

The Gap
39 Oakwood Grove
Warwick CV34 5TD

St Margaret's Church
Church Close
Whitnash CV31 2HU



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Partner & Agency Contact Details

Family Information Service

Providing information, advice and one-to-one support for families with children and young people aged 0-25 across Warwickshire

Call: 01926 742274

Email: fis@warwickshire.gov.uk
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis

Early Help and Targeted Support Team

Family Support Workers are available across Warwickshire to listen, support and offer advice and guidance to families and professionals.

To speak to a Family Support Worker over the telephone or to arrange a face to face consultation Call 01926 412412

Monday to Friday - 9am-4pm

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies

Health Visiting & Midwifery

HV Advice Line for Kingsway, Warwick, Kenilworth & Lillington HV teams:
01926 567143

HV Appointments only, please call:

Kingsway: 01926 626531/626536

Warwick: 01926 567141 Ext 3630 or 07768 615632

Kenilworth: 01926 852087

Lillington: 01926 887309

Warwickshire Health Visiting Text Chat Service:

07520 615293 - Monday to Friday - 9am-5pm

Midwives - Bluebell Clinic @ Warwick Hospital

01926 600040

Early Breastfeeding Support Team

01926 626529

Other Useful Contact Details

Act on Energy: Email: advice@actonenergy.org.uk. Call: 0800 988 2881

Adult & Community Learning. Email: accl@warwickshire.gov.uk. Call: 01926 736392

Citizens Advice: Monday to Friday - 9am-5pm. Call 0800 250 5715

Warwick District Foodbank. Call: 07850 293383. www.warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk

Wright Hassall Legal Clinic. Email: enquiries@wrighthassall.co.uk. Call: 01926 886688.

Refuge's Domestic Violence and Abuse Service Warwickshire. Call: 0800 408 1552



Benn Partnership Centre
 Railway Terrace, Rugby, CV21 3HR
 Tel: 01788 553033
 Email: info@bennpartnership.org.uk
 Website: www.bennpartnership.org.uk

Monday 25th December

FREE CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

Each year Benn Partnership Centre offers a free Christmas Day Event for members of the community who would otherwise be alone.

Do you have family who will be working Christmas day?

Or will you struggle to cook a Christmas dinner?

If so, please call or email before Friday 1st December to book your place and advise us of your dietary requirements.

Arrive at 10:30am with dinner at 1:00 pm and stay until 4:00pm. Please note that the numbers are limited so it will be on first come first served basis.

Tel: 01788 553033
Email: info@bennpartnership.org.uk

SYDNI

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

WEDNESDAY 13TH DEC

**ARRIVE FROM 12 NOON
LUNCH SERVED AFTER 12.30**

**TRADITIONAL TURKEY LUNCH WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS
CHRISTMAS PUDDING OR WINTER BERRY PAVLOVA**

Music, Quiz, Games, Carols.
Christmas hats or jumpers optional

Call 01926 422071 to book your place

Cottage Square, Sydenham, Leamington Spa, CV31 1PT 01926 422071
sydni.org
 Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9.00-5.00

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER
 10am - 4pm

THE BAND FACTORY
 ALTHORPE STREET, LEAMINGTON SPA, CV31 2AU

CHRISTMAS STALLS

CHILDREN'S DECORATION WORKSHOP

SANTA'S GROTTO

CAROLS FROM ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL CHOIR

Napton WI

Christmas Food Fayre

Saturday 16th December

Napton Village Hall

10:30 am - 4:00 pm

Home Baking!

Local Produce!

Refreshments

Roasted Chestnuts

Mulled Wine

Xmas Stalls

Visit Santa
 2.00 - 4.00 pm

£1 entry under 16 free

Adult and Community Learning

Lighthorne Heath Primary School
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Family Learning

Decorate a Christmas t-shirt



Family Learning: making learning fun!
For parents/carers and children
Everything FREE

Thursday 23rd November
3.15 – 4.45

To book a place for you and your child please contact: The
school office, Lighthorne Heath Children and Family Centre
01926 691105 or email janlennon@warwickshire.gov.uk



Adult and Community Learning

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Family Learning

Make a Pizza workshop



Family Learning: making learning fun!
For parents/carers and children
Everything FREE

Thursday 30th November
3.15 – 4.45pm

To book a place for you and your child please contact: The
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Adult and Community Learning

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Winter Art and Craft Workshop



Family Learning: making learning fun!
For parents/carers and children
Everything FREE

Thursday 7th December
3.15 – 4.45

To book a place for you and your child please contact: The
school office, Lighthorne Heath Children and Family Centre
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