



Little Miller's News



The Newsletter of Fulwell Infant School Academy
Mrs Angus's message...

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Science

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Changing states: what is a solution? What happens to glass when heat is applied?

Dear parents,

At the end of our second week back after Easter, we sincerely hope that everyone had a lovely break over Easter, despite the weather.

Back in school, the children have returned and settled quickly. This is a very busy term ahead with a great deal to be done in classes to prepare children for their next step, whether that be moving up a year in school or moving to the Juniors. During June and July, transition visits to new classes and schools (FJS) will take place. The Year 2-3 transition meeting led by Mr Speck and team will take place in our school hall at 5pm on Monday 24th June 2024.

We currently have staff completing Forest School training and First Aid training which has put pressure on staffing this week. My sincere thanks go to every member of staff for going over and above what it is fair to expect in covering for absentee colleagues. Their commitment to our children is outstanding even when it means making their own job even harder. In both cases, the training is so important and will enable Forest School to continue next year.

Last week two classes travelled to the Glass Centre and completed science activities on changing states. The newsletter includes some photographs from the event. Year 2 classes have been designing dragon's eyes as part of their Art work around the Paper Bag Princess. I was fortunate to be invited to watch them completing their work and have included photographs from this.

We have finalised our INSET days for 2024-2025 and are aware that because Sunderland's term dates are different to most other Local Authorities, it means that by taking the 5th and 6th September 2024, families will be able to access reduced costs for holidays that include this week. School will return on Monday 9th September 2024.

Best wishes

Wendy Angus



Year 2 children investigated 'changing states' at the Glass Centre. They predicted possible outcomes. What would happen when:

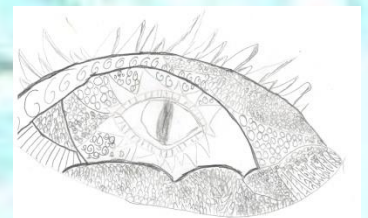
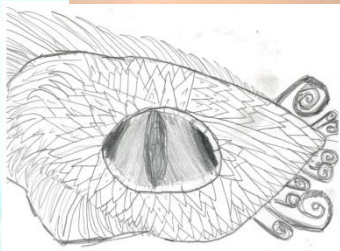
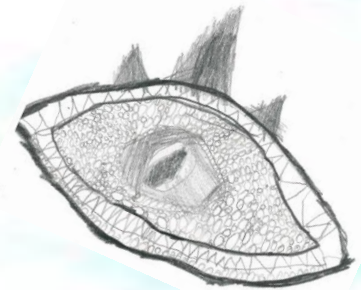
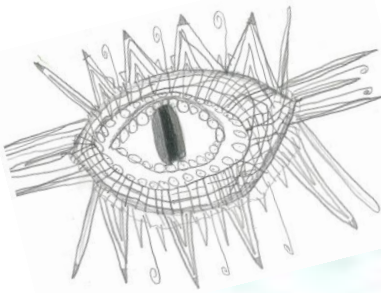
- Glass frit is mixed with water.
- Salt is mixed with water
- Cornflower is mixed with water

Predictions for the last experiment were slightly inaccurate as most children guessed it would become a solution and dissolve.

The fact it turned solid was a great surprise.

This week Year 2 have continued with heating and cooling.

ART



Year 2 examples of Art work this week. I was lucky enough to watch the children as they drew their eyes. The concentration was palpable. Towards the end of the week the work in clay began as they used their pencil images to create 3-D dragon eyes.