



Little Miller's News



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

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Dear parent,

It has been another busy fortnight in school with Reception classes each visiting West Boldon Lodge to enjoy an exciting day of activities. 'It was the best day ever' said a small boy in Reception. 'We toastsed marshmallows on the fire and then ate them!' said a little girl. The weather was reasonable for each class and enabled them to fully access the forest school and activities. Thanks to all parents who supported the visit and to the staff for their organisation and making it possible.

I was privileged to be able to observe teaching and learning in all classes this week. This included Maths, Literacy, Science and Art in both key stages. It served to remind me of just how well our children do. In Nursery writing children are writing their names, recognising letter sounds, recognising numbers and starting to add. By Year 2 they are working with fractions- finding $\frac{2}{3}$ of 15, adding and subtracting large numbers and problem, solving. We are all very proud of their achievements. On Thursday we worked with Barnwell Academy who were judged Ofsted outstanding a year ago. Staff in all three year groups shared children's books and evaluated progress made this year.

Mrs Bell is introducing a Friday assembly in which a Role of Honour will celebrate acts of kindness and other personal qualities we value so highly. Additionally there will be a 'Wise Walker' award as we continue to encourage and expect children to walk around school, not run. This will start the first Friday back after half term.

ATTENDANCE continues to improve slightly. We recorded **95.8%** last Friday. Spike was awarded to 3 classes, led by Class 5 who have won for the fourth consecutive week. They were joined by Class 3 and Class 6. We remain hopeful that term time taken holidays won't reduce the % this week.

VIOLINS there is an informal drop-in presentation for parents of ALL our violinists on Friday 5th July @ 2:40pm in the library. We hope parents of violinists may be able to join us.

We hope that the half term break has some reasonable weather and remind Year 1 parents that the phoni screen will be with us very shortly. Any support you can give children over the holidays will be very welcome.

Wendy Angus





West Boldon Lodge was a fantastic experience for Reception children. They learnt even more about life in the forest, about dangers and taking risks.



World BEE Day

Bees carry pollen

Bees crawl through holes

Bees have six legs

Bees have four wings

Monday 17th May 2020
Celebrated the traditions of World Bee Day
Learn about the natural world around us, making connections and building positive attitudes and skills for life.

World BEE Day

Bees fly to flowers to collect nectar

Bees make honey from nectar in the hive

Why are bees important?
The bees help plants and trees grow. They also pollinate on the flowers.

How can we help bees?
The grow plants for bees. We can plant flowers in our garden.

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Reception

World BEE Day

Bees fly to flowers to collect nectar

Bees make honey from the nectar

Why are bees important?
The bees help flowers grow. The bees drop pollen.

How can we help bees?
We give water to bees. We can plant flowers in our garden to make a beehive.

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Reception classes were enjoying a range of activities and independent learning. Focused groups worked on writing, maths and Art/Science. Children were confident and engaged.





In Nursery activities were based around the text 'Spinderella'. Spiders were everywhere -drawn, painted, webs woven and even made from clay!

Year 1



Year 1 children wrote descriptive pieces and began to multiply.

Year 2

Year 2 children were working with fractions including mixed fractions.

