



What we have been up to

UKS2

We have been studying *Journey* by Aaron Becker. We enjoyed getting outside and working together to write poetry together based on a thrilling scene where the young girl takes a magic carpet ride over a mystical city. We worked hard to choose words carefully to capture the excitement of the scene.



KS1

We have been investigating how to make different bubbles in science. We used pipe cleaners and bent them into different shapes, dipped them into bubble solution and tested out if the bubble shapes changed in any way when blown. We had lots of fun in our learning during this investigation.



LKS2

We have been exploring place value in Maths lessons. The children have ordered 4-digit numbers, investigated how 4-digit numbers are made and comparing numbers.



Foundation

This week in forest school we read *The Rainbow Fish*. We then used natural materials to make our own rainbow fish. We had lots of fun finding and using the materials and working together.



Pupil Voice

We asked our Reception children what they liked best about school. Here are some of their answers: *“the book corner with all the stories;” “building with the lego blocks;” “drawing and writing;” “my friends are here so I love it;” “playing with the water;” “climbing and swinging on the monkey bars;” “being in the home corner;” “being outside in the trees, and making new friends.”*



Word of the week

EYFS: before **Y1:** describe **Y2:** experience **Y3:** expense **Y4:** vigorous **Y5:** strive **Y6:** fluctuate

Mrs Miller's Message

We are pleased to be able to put together our first news bulletin of the year to share some of the activities the children have been doing. It is lovely that the school is a very busy place full of laughter and smiles; the children have settled into their learning well and continue to make us proud each and every day.

MSA News - My congratulations go to Mrs Higgs who has been appointed as our lead MSA. We are very pleased to welcome her into the role and wish her all the very best as she works with the MSA team to support our children through their lunch times.

Makaton Sign of the Week



Please

Thank you

Wellbeing

Wellbeing is a key focus for us as our children return to school - This term we are going to be focusing on the '5 Ways of Wellbeing', we started to share some of these ideas on the different remote learning platforms last year. It has been suggested that if you do something from one of the 5 ways each day it will increase your happiness. The 5 foci are **be active, give, keep learning, take notice and connect**. More information about this will follow but if you do want to have look at the foci here is a link to **Healthy Young Minds in Herts**.

<https://www.healthyyoungmindsinherts.org.uk/five-ways-wellbeing>.

Achievement Award Stars!

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| R1: Ethan P | C3/4: Natish A |
| R2: Eleanor S | C4: Maisie W |
| C1: Ava K | C5: Lucille C |
| C1/2: Will M | C5/6: Stirling S |
| C2: Jack S | C6: Holly C |
| C3: Charlie C | |

Team Points



Notices

Google Classroom & Tapestry – please make sure that you have checked that you are able to access your account. We use these to set homework and home learning. This is to ensure that if your child is required to stay at home due to illness you can still access some of their learning.

Road Safety - please remember how busy the local roads can be with traffic; we ask that for everyone's safety please do not congregate at the school gates before and after collection.

Coming Up

- Tue 6th October** Individual School Photographs
- Wed 21st October am** Flu Immunisations R-Y6
- 26th – 30th October** Half Term Break
- 2nd – 5th November** UKS2 Cycle Training
- Fri 27th November** School Closed Occasional Day
- Fri 4th December pm** Flu Immunisations R-Y6
- Fri 18th December 2:30pm** End Autumn Term
- Tue 5th January** Start Spring Term