



Dormers Wells Infant School

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Nursery Rainbow

We would like to welcome Miss Tuckwell to our nursery team . Miss Tuckwell will be covering Miss Wood when she goes on maternity leave in September 2019.

This term some of us have learned our phonic sounds and to write our names and others have learnt to express their ideas and opinions using grammatically correct sentences.

Happiness day at school was the same day as our Stay and Play (20th June) and all the children were given a 'Happiness Badge' and asked what made them happy. Some children said their mummies made them happy, or playing with their baby brother or sister made them happy.

We have had our class photo taken so we will be able to remember all our friends.

Sports day was so much fun and our parents joined in and raced against each other.

The Nursery trip to Hanwell zoo was well attended and the children remembered the animals they saw such as peacocks, donkeys, ducks and rabbits. A good time was had by all.

Some of our children will be leaving to start a new learning journey in Reception and I know that they will continue to develop their progress and achieve so much in the future. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the nursery parents for their support.





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Red Reception

It has been a busy and enjoyable final term in Red Reception. We have spent as much time outside enjoying the wonderful weather as possible. This term our topic has been places; we have learnt about the different types of transport that can take us from place to place. We have talked about the different kinds of houses that people live in around the world and in our local area. We went on a local walk and were amazed by how many different kinds of houses there are just in the roads around our school. We also learnt about how life was different in the past and what living in a castle was like. We really enjoyed sports day and everyone put their best effort in to all the activities. We also did a final trip to Burnham Beeches Nature Reserve, we really enjoyed exploring the forest and seeing the different wildlife and then doing Forest Schools Activities on the common after lunch. Red Reception have done so well this year and have learnt so much - they are very ready to move up into Year One.

Green Reception

In Green Reception we have been learning about houses and homes from around the world. We learnt about why homes have been built in a certain way. We also looked at homes in our local area and walked around to see the different buildings. We learnt about flats, detached, semi- detached and terraced houses. We all enjoyed sports day joining in with different games and activities. Lots of parents came along to cheer the children on. This has been a wonderful year and I have really enjoyed teaching Green Reception.

Blue Reception

This term in Blue Reception we spent time walking around our community looking at the various types of buildings. We saw houses, flats and residential care homes. We had a fantastic day out to Burnham Beeches where we enjoyed a leisurely walk through the woodland. For lunch we sat on the grass and ate our lunch followed by fun games in the sun. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with Blue Reception and wish them all the best in Year 1.

Year 1 Johnson

In 1Johnson this term we have been reading our core text 'The Journey'. We designed our own boats just like the boat in our core text. The children collected sticks and leaves from the Millennium garden and used them to design and make their boats. In mathematics, we have been focusing on place value and the children have learnt a number of strategies to use and to help build their confidence when problem solving. They are able to tell you the value of two-digit numbers. The children have been using tens sticks and cubes to help them with their place value work! Johnson class have also had many opportunities to showcase their artistic skills in year one. The children have been working extremely hard in all of their subjects. It is also important to note that the children have shown excellent behaviour, attendance, manners and a strong desire to do well this year. They should all be very proud of how far that they have come. A big thank you to the supportive parents who have been working with their children.

Year 1 Brunel

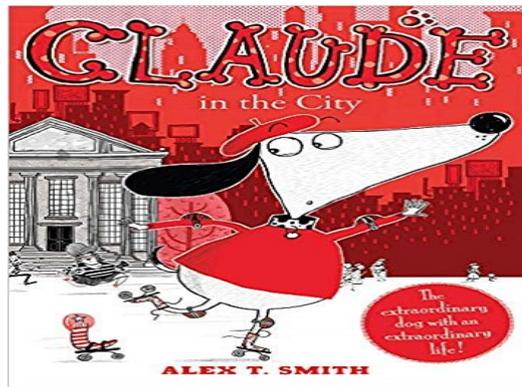
During this term 1Brunel have been looking at the book 'The Journey.' In English the children used the story book to re-tell the story in their own way and create missing posters for the boat. Also in English the children completed their phonics test and all achieved AMAZING results. In maths the children have been learning numbers to 100. The children have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones and learning about patterns in numbers. For the end of term the children have been enjoying lots of activities such as, the opening of our new library and edible garden and International Day. Finally, it has been a pleasure to teach 1Brunel this year and some of the children for two years now and I wish them well for Year Two.

Year 1 Edison

Children in Edison 1 have enjoyed retelling, describing, writing and acting 'The journey' in English. They have used lots of adjectives and connectives in their writing throughout the year. In Math's the children have been learning numbers to 100. They have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones. Children in Edison 1 completed their phonics test and they achieved excellent results. During science children learnt about materials. Children made a map of the school and of the local area during their Learning challenge lessons. They enjoyed sports day and visiting our new library. Finally, it has been an absolute pleasure to teach Edison 1 this year and I wish them all the best for Year 2.

Year 2 Da-Vinci

Da-Vinci class has worked particularly hard during the last half term of their Infant School journey. To begin, we immensely enjoyed reading a book titled "Claude in the City". Claude is a cat who explores London city. We laughed out loud while reading "Diary of a Killer Cat" about Tuffy who doesn't understand why his owners get so annoyed with him when he does cat things, like dragging dead birds into the house! In Maths we've been consolidating our learning about fractions, adding and taking away. Guided reading has allowed us to read a wide selection of short stories, poems and informative texts. Countries, locations, the past and plastic waste have all been themes we've explored in our foundation subjects. Well done, Da-Vinci class for a good half term of work!



Year 2 Strong

This term Strong class have been working incredibly hard. In English we have written lovely rhyming poems that the children thoroughly enjoyed. In Science we have been growing our very own sunflowers. The children have enjoyed watching their tiny seeds slowly grow into a flower. In Maths we have been revisiting a range of topics that we found difficult in the previous term. The children also celebrated the openings of our edible garden and school library. All the children have worked really hard to produce a fantastic end of year production. I have really enjoyed teaching Strong class, they are all amazing children and it has been an absolute privilege to teach them. I wish them all the best for year 3 and to continue shining just as they already do.



Year 2 Clarke

This term has been magnificent! Clarke class has done so many fun things; we saw our film on the biggest screen in England, we sang, danced and spoke beautifully in the school play and we had lots of fun in Southall Park.

In maths we have been reviewing and consolidating all the topics we have covered in year 2. We have independently written numbers in words, time's tables, fractions, shapes, measurements and so much more. We can now confidently say we know how to read time!

We have also done lots of reading and writing in English. We really loved reading about Claude and Sir Bobblysock's adventures in the city. On our trip to London we pretended we were Claude and made our own adventures. We saw the pigeons in Trafalgar Square lots of tall buildings and the London eye! We loved writing about our trip to Central London.

This term has been bittersweet. We are sad to leave year 2 because we have to say goodbye to our friends and teachers, but we are excited about moving to Year 3 and look forward to new adventure!

Year 2 Fearnley

This term the children have worked so hard in Fearnley class. In science we have been looking at the different parts of plants and their life-cycle. The children got the opportunity to grow their own flowers in our very own flower bed and had the opportunity to water them daily and watch them grow from tiny seeds to small flowers. In Maths we have been revisiting a range of topics that we found difficult in the previous term. All the children have worked so hard to prepare for the leavers assembly and I am so proud of them. It has been an absolute pleasure working with all the children from Fearnley class and I wish them all the best on their new journey in year three!

