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# **Newsletter 1st April 2022**



The children have taken part in our antibullying week this week – based on the theme 'One Kind Word'. This started on Monday with children wearing their odd socks to school to respect our differences and to celebrate being individual. Mr. Mann also led an assembly about bullying and how to be respectful and kind to one another. During the week each class has had the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities including a dance workshop about friendship and teamwork. The children really enjoyed this.

Unfortunately, Year 5's trip to Weston Mill Recycling Centre was cancelled. However, the Community Liaison Manager very kindly visited us in school instead! Year 5 were really engaged in the visit and used their problem-solving skills to sort items into 'reduce', 'reuse' or 'recycle' groups.

Congratulations to Da Vinci class for a wonderful assembly today. You should all be very proud of the learning about Australia, which you have completed over the past term.

The total raised for Comic Relied (Red Nose Day) was £106.00. Many thanks for your generous donations.

Next week is our last week of term. Please don't forget that Friday is a non-pupil day and the school will be closed for children on that day.

Have a wonderful weekend!



Today Kiely class used their inquiry and flexibility skills to find lines of symmetry in 2D shapes. They were challenged to find as many as possible and were shocked to discover that a circle has an infinite number of lines of symmetry!





As part of anti bullying week Matisse class took part in a dance workshop. They used their collaboration STEM skill to work together and their creative STEM skill to explore different ways of moving to music. They thought about how they could use different movements to express kindness and friendship. They then performed their dance as a class.







As part of Anti-bullying week, Mondrian class took part in a dancing workshop about Friendship and Teamwork. A professional choreographer worked with us and helped us to create a dance about friendship and collaboration. We shared our hobbies and used movements to build up a performance using the song "You've got a friend in me" from Toy Story.







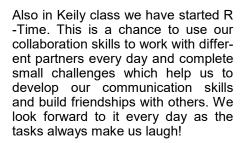
Today in Keily class we have been exploring properties of shapes. Using our inquiry skills, we used lollipop sticks to create different sided shapes such as hexagons and pentagons. Some of us were very creative and were able to make some interesting irregular shapes too!

















Monet class have been using their creativity STEM skills to design aboriginal dot paintings. First they practised different techniques with paint and different materials, then they planned their drawings in their sketch books. They will be combining these to make their own.









Kahlo: We have been really busy this week with a range of activities related to our anti bullying week. We really enjoyed our cross curricular dance workshop related to positive relationships.

In art we have been studying and practicing the ancient aboriginal technique of dot painting which is inspired by our current topic related to Australia.













This week Year 5 received a visitor from our local recycling centre and used their problem solving skills to sort many items into 'Reduce' 'Reuse' or 'Recycle' groups. The pupils worked collaboratively to create electrical circuits using fruit as the batteries (they contain electrolytes). In PE, the pupils have been enjoying learning the skills of hockey, working on their coordination and agility. Finally, Year 5 have been finishing off their plastic fish designs in Art in order to create a gallery about plastic waste that reaches our oceans.















This week the children in Carle class have been digging for treasure in the sand to help pirate Pete with his sounds. They found lots of word pictures with the same beginning sound. In Math's they helped to feed the little dog with the correct number of bones by doing some amazing counting and Topic they carried on learning about how plants grow through our story of the enormous turnip. Not to mention all of the fun they have had learning through playing in the play environment.











#### **Barton Hall Final Payment Due**

Instalment 1: £30.00 03/12/2021

Instalment 2: £50.00 31/01/2022

Instalment 3: £50.00 28/02/2022

Instalment 4: £50.00 31/03/2022

#### **Nethercott Farm**

If you would like to take a look at the fun things your children got up to at Nethercott Farm, the photos are available through the children's teams account.

Also, if you are missing any clothes there is a small bag of lost property which we will hold on to until the end of this term. Please pop into the office to reclaim things.





#### **Service Personnel Parents**

If you are currently serving or ex service personnel, take a look at the Government information here:

<u>Service Pupil Premium: what you need to know - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

If you think your family is eligible for this, please contact:

c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk

#### Thank you





#### Family Friendly Events

Keep the whole family happy with one of Plymouth's amazing family events this summer

The weather is warm, the city is alive, the events are plentiful and there's a whole host of ways to have fun. So get some inspiration for things to get up to with the little ones.

And if you're looking for a longer summer break, check out our accommodation page.





There are some fantastic family events coming up in Plymouth, some are FREE!!

Family Friendly Events - Visit Plymouth

Monday 11 April from 10am to 5pm Keyham Green Places, 163 Renown St, Keyham PL2 2DT

# A BIG DAY OUT IN KEYHAM

### A DAY OF FAMILY FUN FOR ALL AGES.

Displays, activities and performances from:

North Prospect Community Choir Plymouth Argyle Community Trust - Street Sports Green Minds **Keyham Krafties** Black Dog Honeubees Ministry of Martial Arts North Prospect Garage Weston Mill Fire Brigade Project Wellbeing Warriors Royal Navy The Rock Project Face Painting Easter Egg Hunt Raffle Circus Skills Visit by the Lord Mayor at 2pm

Registration will be required on the day to gain admission, some activities for young people will also require consent from a parent or guardian. Use the QR code to pre-register your attendance.

Food and refreshments will be provided.
Admission is free but please support our wonderful Foodbank by bringing as many donations as you can on the day to help us feed children and families across Keyham.
Email brian.gill@plymouth.gov.uk with all enquiries



...and much more!





#### Attendance 28th Mar—1st Apr 2022

96% is the expected level to ensure children have the opportunity to achieve to the best of their abilities.

Well done to this weeks winners: GOLDSWORTHY & MONET



GOLDSWORTHY	94.83
MATISSE	85.45
MONDRIAN	80.38
KEILY	90.40

KAHLO	89.57
DA VINCI	74.71
MONET	94.44
PICASSO	82.31
GAUDI	85.00
HADID	92.38
HOCKNEY	92.11

#### Bikeability Year 5

If you would like your child to take part in Bikeability, please complete the consents that were sent to you. Can this be done asap please.

Thank you.



#### **Important Dates:**

Fri 8th Apr - NON PUPIL DAY

Mon11th Apr to Fri 22nd Apr - EASTER BREAK

Mon 2nd May - MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Mon 30th May - BANK HOLIDAY

Tues 31st May to Fri 3rd Jun - HALF TERM

Weds 27th July SUMMER HOLIDAY STARTS

#### **Nursery Notice**

Please do not send your children in wearing any sort of earrings due to the risk of accidents when they're playing.

Please remember to always pack nappies, wipes, nappy bags and spare clothes for your child. We don't have a lot of spares here and sometimes children can get wet when playing with water and splashing in puddles!





#### Thank you



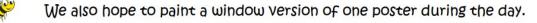




Keyham Krafties will be at the KGP Centre for this event during the Easter holidays.

The winning designs from our poster competition will be showcased at the centre.

The winners will be able to collect their prizes.





Every child will be able to collect their very own crocheted Honey Bee to take away.



A massive well done and a big thank you to everyone for all of their thoughts and efforts during Anti-Bullying week this week. Well done to the 4 people who have already won a prize for their amazing creativity in the Colouring Competition – their entries will be added to the school display.

There are still a fair few more of the 100+ entries for runner-up prizes on Monday.

## Congratulations Amelia, Amelia, Emily and Marcie!



# Cr Wes

Spring Wreaths and World Poetry Day 2022

#### **Craft and Wellbeing**

Weston Mill Primary School March 2022

Parents joined together for some mornings of craft, chat and connecting.

They have learnt skills such as:
glass painting, floral arranging and
aromatherapy. We looked at how
beneficial crafting and talking can be
and how nature can have a positive
effect of our wellbeing.
We look forward to sharing more of
our achievements with you soon!





Garden Tea lights and Mindfulness

Soap and Scrub -Using the senses to promote wellbeing

We have had lots of fun on this 5 week course, and would like to be able to do another one. Please contact our Family Support Advisor on <a href="mailto:c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk">c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk</a> or 365250 if you are interested in joining our next course .

