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Newsletter

Friday 14th January 2022

Oak Class

Our topic this term is animal habitats, different places and countries they live in. We have read "Guess Where I Live?" talking about different animals having different homes. This week we have been reading "Handa's Surprise" looking at animals that live in Africa. We have made an animal habit frieze box that shows the children what it looks like in Africa and which animals live there like, elephants, lions, giraffes and hippopotamus. We have been baking cheese scones and pizza.

Maple Class

Our topic this half term is "Around the world in 7 weeks". We will be learning to name and locate continents and oceans on a world map. Children can already sing the 7 continents song and order them in order of size. We will be exploring different habitats around the world and finding out how animals have adapted to their environment. We are also reading stories from different cultures and continents. This week we have been reading Peter and the Wolf and we will be listening to the music written by Prokofiev. If you have any favourite stories from a different continent, please bring it to school to share it with everyone.

Silver Birch Class (written by the children)

This week Silver Birch have been learning how to measure the perimeter of a shape. We have tried to measure the forest school area. In history we have been looking at Anglo Saxon punishment as part of our topic of Crime and Punishment, one punishment was to carry a burning hot piece of metal. Our science topic is bones and muscles - did you know that babies have 300 bones but an adult has 206! In art we are focusing on movement, we recreated our own versions of Van Gogh's Starry Night painting.

Dates for the diary

14th January – Forest School

17th January – Hawkes

20th January – Census Day/Heinz Day Menu

24th January – Hawkes

28th January – Forest School

31st January – Hawkes PE

7th February – Hawkes PE

11th February – Skipping Workshop (details to follow)

14th February – Hawkes PE

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Music Lessons

On Monday we had Peter Buckby in school to do music with Maple Class and Silver Birch. The children really enjoyed the session with him. Mr Buckby is from Innovation Music in Scarborough and will be coming in to work with the children every Monday afternoon until the end of term. Innovation Music do offer instrumental lessons which will start later in the year for any children wanting to learn.

Forest School

Thanks to our last group of year 6 children who kindly donated a garden centre voucher, we have been able to purchase lots of bark to make pathways (to hopefully navigate the mud a little) and will be buying lots of sensory plants for planting later in the year.

Mrs Nicholson

Sadly, Mrs Karen Nicholson has decided it is time to find new opportunities elsewhere and will be leaving us in February. Mrs Nicholson has worked at our school for 19 years and will be missed by us all, especially the children in nursery. Her years of service to our school have been appreciated by all the children and families over this time. We wish her the very best in what she decides to do next. Please be assured that plans will be put in place and nursery will continue to be as fabulous as it is now. We will communicate this as soon as we possibly can.

Star of the week

Maple Class

W/C 10th January 2022 – Lilly C for her growth in confidence and getting started with her reading.

Silver Birch Class

W/C 10th January 2022 – Connie H for going above and beyond in absolutely everything she has done.

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