



### SPRING TERM 2019 – NEWSLETTER No. 3

Friday 15 February 2019

**INTERNET SAFETY WEEK** - Safer Internet Day was on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and we learnt a lot about how to keep safe. We talked about why we use the internet and we decided that we should always ask an adult before we go on the internet. We listened to a story about an alien that was asked his name on an internet game and the girls all knew that you should tell a trusted adult if someone asks for personal information. They knew that you should never give out personal information to anyone you have only met online.

**NURSERY** - Kung Hei Fat Choi. The Nursery boys and girls celebrated the start of the Chinese New Year with a trip to the Chinese buffet in Wakefield where they enjoyed helping themselves to oodles of noodles, lots of rice, spring rolls, sweet and sour chicken and crispy prawn crackers. At the end of the buffet, after eating their ice cream, they sang to the Chef, his staff and customers! They were extremely well behaved and a pleasure to be with.



**RECEPTION** - We have had a very busy time in Reception. Last week the girls enjoyed making bears out of plasticine. The highlight of the week was the Teddy Bears' Picnic. The bears as well as the girls had a great time and the girls did very well in sharing their food between themselves and their bear. In Maths we have been learning to recognise and name 3D shapes. The girls went on a shape hunt around the school and found many cubes, cuboids, cylinders, cones and spheres. We also had special assemblies for Internet Safety Day. In the classroom the girls learned about how Smartie the Penguin stayed safe online when he was using his tablet. Finally as part of our RE topic about New Year festivals we learned about how Chinese New Year is celebrated. The girls watched a dragon dance and then they performed their own dance in PE.





**YEAR 1** - The girls in Year 1 have enjoyed finding out about the Kings and Queens who lived during Medieval Times. They enjoyed looking at the different meals they would have served and wrote their own Medieval Menus. They have compared the lives of Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria and found out some interesting facts about both of those queens.

In Science the girls have been finding out about different properties of materials and whether or not they are waterproof, non-waterproof, absorbent or non-absorbent. They enjoyed using water on the different materials to test them out.

During Design and Technology, the girls have been looking at the work of artists Jill Townsley and Eva Rothschild to create their own sculptures using plastic spoons and rubber bands! Although they found this quite tricky, they really enjoyed the challenge.

The girls have completed many different activities in English linked to the story Jack and the Beanstalk. They thoroughly enjoyed using drama and making a 'decision alley' to help convince Jack if he should climb the beanstalk or not! This really helped their writing and they all produced some fantastic work.



**YEAR 2** girls have been busy practising their chopping, slicing, grating and spreading skills to make their own sandwiches. Having designed their healthy sandwich and made their packaging the final thing left to do was eat!! Yum!



The girls at Mulberry House enjoyed spending the morning with the author Eleanor McKone who shared her book 'Piper's Passport' with them. They were thrilled to hear about Piper's journey through Australia and were inspired by this motivational speaker. Look out in the future for aspiring authors from Mulberry House!

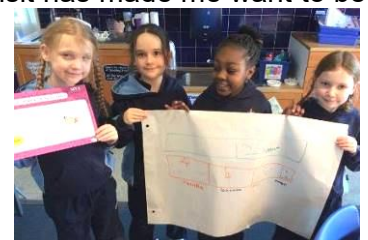
Mathilda 'I really enjoyed listening to the story and finding out about the little brother who was not scared anymore'

Sophia 'I liked it when Piper discovered the animals – it was funny!'

Layla 'I think that Eleanor's visit has made me want to be a better writer'

In Maths the girls have been exploring 3D shapes. Do you know what a Torus is?

The girls have also been exploring nets and applying their Maths skills during our Maths Mastery Day.





## Stars of the Week

(Week commencing Monday 4 February 2019)

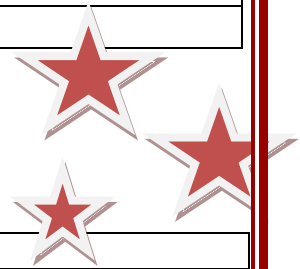


Emie (RBW)	For using fantastic expression while reading. Well done.
Priyah (RBW)	For taking more thought into the presentation of her work. Well done and keep it up.
Juno (RLW)	For sitting her letters on the line so well.
Harriet (RLW)	For learning all the pairs of numbers which make ten.
Elsie (1GW)	For trying really hard in Maths. She has pushed herself and achieved.
Cayla (1GW)	For always having beautiful manners in school. She sets a fantastic example.
Sophia (1KT)	For carefully logging on and off the computer.
Sienna (1KT)	For carefully ordering the months of the year.
Maia (2VH)	Making an amazing effort with her joined up handwriting. Well done!
Tabitha (2VH)	Making an amazing effort with her joined up handwriting. Well done!
Hana (2RM)	Her clever thinking skills during our Maths Mastery Day activities
Rebecca (2RM)	The care that she took over designing her sandwich packaging



## Stars of the Week

(Week commencing Monday 11 February 2019)



Lauren (RBW)	For a fantastic piece of writing about a new toy.
Imogen (RBW)	For super Maths work adding two numbers together.
India (RLW)	For writing all of her Set 2 sounds correctly.
Edith (RLW)	For great counting on in Maths.
Rosa (1GW)	For her super writing. She retold the story of Jack and the Beanstalk perfectly.
Laurie (1GW)	Excellent Maths work counting in 2s and 5s
Anayah (1KT)	Working hard on her creative writing.
Valentina (1KT)	Super reading to Ms Thomas.
Felicity (2VH)	Super enthusiasm when she made her healthy sandwich! Well done!
Dabira (2VH)	Some sensible answers during our nouns activity! Well done!
Bella (2RM)	Her effort with her 3D shape work in Maths
Anna Maria (2RM)	Her literacy work when she has been identifying nouns



**DATES TO NOTE** - A list of dates for your diary can be found on our website [www.wgsf.org.uk](http://www.wgsf.org.uk). I would, however, like to draw your attention to the following forthcoming events during this half term.

- Monday 18 February – Half Term (one week)
- Monday 25 February – Back to school
- Week commencing Monday 4 March – Yes We Can week
- Wednesday 6 March – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Parents' Evening
- Thursday 7 March – Year 2 Class Assembly 9.00 am
- Friday 8 March – International Women's Day – dress up day
- Friday 15 March – Comic Relief Day – children may wear a red nose
- Tuesday 21 March 2.00 pm – Nursery Rhyme Concert for Nursery Parents further details to follow
- Thursday 28 March – 9.00 am Reception Mother's Day Assembly
- Friday 29 March – End of Term
- Monday 1– Friday 5 April – Easter Holiday Club
- Monday 15 April – Start of Summer Term
- Friday 19 April – School Closed – Good Friday
- Monday 22 April – School Closed – Easter Monday