

Our values for November are Forgiveness & Peace

Newsletter

Autumn Term
04th November 22



Head Teacher's Message

It has felt really positive to see everyone return to school with renewed energy this week. Half term obviously provided much needed rest. I was particularly pleased to see so many parents attend our maths open classroom today. Maths is a great subject and conquering a new maths skill feels particularly rewarding. Fear of maths can set in early if we are not careful however. In school, maths is a positive experience but there is no doubt that children can quickly decide that they are not good at maths and a lack of confidence with one area, such as number fluency, can hold children back in all areas of maths learning. We always tell children that if they know they are weak in a certain area -such as knowing their number bonds to 10 or 100 or being able to recall times table facts, they have the power to change this! Simply spending more time practising what they find hard will make a difference. Setting themselves a goal and focussing on one thing at a time will also make a difference. Regular practise of anything hard is a skill that will set children up for success throughout school. I hope that you enjoyed the session that you attended today and that it might encourage you to spend a little more time working mathematically with your child.

Jemima Wade, Headteacher

Mathematics Morning At Argyle

This morning our years 1 - 6 classes hosted a Mathematics sessions for parents to come and have a glimpse into how Mathematics is taught in school and how they can help at home. In Year 6 they focussed on fractions and long multiplication, Year 5 focussed on fractions, Year 4 on adding together 3 and 4 digit numbers, Year 3 on Place Values, Year 2 on Number bonds to 20, Year 1 played a game about probability. We want to thank all the parents who attended for such an amazing turnout, it shows how much you value your child's education. We do hope you have learnt something that you can use to help your child at home.



It was lovely to have the opportunity to see the classrooms of my children and to get a glimpse into their maths lesson. It was very nostalgic being in class brought back good memories of being in school, I was also quite excited in the lessons answering the teacher's questions before the children. I was amazed by the how good the children were at answering questions. The teachers were in control and the teaching assistants were more than happy to help when we got stuck. I would really like to attend more of these sessions but working can make it difficult.

- Hussain, father of Asli & Safia



Friends of Argyle make Harvest lunch for staff

At the end of last term our Friends of Argyle made a delicious spread of harvest lunch for staff. We want to thank all the parents who cooked, decorated and planned it.



Friends of Argyle - Uniform Recycling

A number of Friends of Argyle parents would like to support school and parents by running a Uniform Recycling event.

The idea of the event is that parents can donate used uniform that is too small and possibly pick up used uniform that is still in good condition for their child.

Friends Of Argyle would like you to donate any used uniform that is still in good condition and that has been washed and folded by bringing it along to the FLC at 8.45 on Tuesday 22nd November. Our Friends of Argyle will sort and display uniform so that parents can come along after 2pm on the same day -Tuesday 22nd November to choose new, pre-loved uniform.



Thank you Friends of Argyle!

Year 3 learning

Garden Classroom

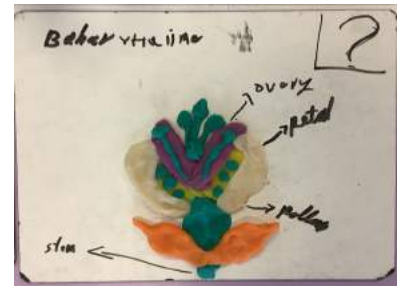
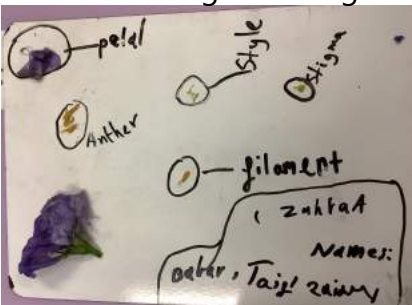
The children were very impressed to see how the garden had been cleared over the half term and are looking forward to planting over the next few months.

This week they all made a headband using the different colours and shapes of Autumn leaves, which they inscribed with environmental messages. We then made a big fire and toasted apples before we each shared our favourite moments from the project.



Science

Inside, the children continued to look at the function of the different parts of the plant by looking at the role of the flower in the plant's life cycle. They looked carefully inside a flower and then recreated what they had seen using salt dough.



Year 1 learning

Over the half term holiday some of our pupils have completed some fantastic home learning projects, they were eager to make sure they had completed their half term projects. **Well Done.**

In English this week we have been using questioning to ask our partners what animal they are. This links to our key text 'Mr Gumpy'. We have continued by writing describing sentences about our animals.



I can jump and I put my baby in my pocket, what am I?
- **Youssef**

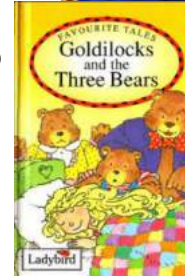


EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Reception

As this week marked the beginning of a new half term, Reception class begun the exploration of 'Traditional Tales.' This unit will span over a number of weeks, so that the children can hear a range of traditional tales and learn to retell them. The first traditional tale that the children are learning is Goldilocks and the Three Bears. At the start of the week, the children were shown a range of objects from the story and were asked to guess which story they related to. They then heard the story and have spent the rest of the week learning it off by heart, adding key actions to help them remember.



Also this week, the children have been learning about Bonfire night and that it is celebrated on the 5th of November each year. The children talked about different fireworks that they have seen and also thought about how to stay safe.



Finally, the teachers have been working with each individual pupil to see how many sounds they remember. They will be using these assessments to help plan the next steps in their teaching. They will soon be sending these assessments home so that you can continue to support your child with their learning of phonics.



Our development matters

Personal, Social and Emotional:

The children have been using a range of role play equipment to help them act out the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

Mathematics:

As the traditional tale this week explores different sizes, the children have been drawing small, medium and large beds for the three bears. You can help your child at home by using the language of size such as tiny, small, medium, large, huge.



Understanding the World:

This week the children have been making porridge. They learnt about what happens to the porridge oats when liquid is added, and then added salt to one and sugar to the other. The children tasted the two different bowls and discussed their favourite.



EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Nursery

The children in Nursery have now begun their new topic 'Heroes.' They have started to explore a range of real life heroes and have thought about different types of jobs. The children talked about how jobs allow us to do something that we enjoy but also helps us to earn money to pay for important things like a home, food and clothing.

Our words of the week:

Job, superhero, sleep, safe

After listening to the story 'My Mum' by Anthony Browne, the children thought about how mummies and daddies are real life superheroes. They might not have special powers such as x-ray vision or super strength, but they do have other powers such as helping us to feel better when we are feeling sad!



Finally, the children spent a lot of time talking about staying safe in different situations. They talked about how to cross a road safely, how to handle equipment such as sticks and how to move around the classroom and school safely.

Our development matters

Literacy:

As the children have been exploring the sound 's' they played a memory game where they had to remember the objects that started with the letter 's' that were hidden under the blanket. Developing memory is a critical skill and games like this help children to improve their retention skills.



Mathematics:

The children have been developing their counting skills and their understanding of one more and one less. They tried to put the correct amount of objects into a pot and say what number would be one more/less.



Expressive Art and Design:

The children have been trying to create their own still life images of pumpkins. They thought carefully about the colours they were choosing and the shape of the object that they were drawing.



Attendance

	WK8	WK 9	WK 10	WK 11	WK 12	WK 13	WK 14
Rec: Jet	93%						
Rec: Topaz	93%						
1 Jade	89%						
1 Ruby	90%						
2 Amber	92%						
2 Opal	100%						
3 Garnet	88%						
3 Pearl	89%						
4 Onyx	95%						
5 Quartz	97%						
6 Diamond	96%						
6 Sapphire	88%						
Total	93%						

Great Job 2 Opal for attaining 100% attendance this week. Good Job to 5 Quartz and 6 Diamond for attaining or exceeding the 96% class target of attendance. Hooray!
Keep it up!



Dates for your diary

All entries on the calendar have been sent to the applicable parents via Parethub, please check for more information. If you need any help with ParentHub, speak to the school office.

IMPORTANT DATES

November 2022

Monday 7th Assessment Week begins

Cancelled After school clubs next week

Catch-Up Club - Monday

Fun, Fitness & Football, Cooking group 2 (KS2) and Bollywood Clubs & Year 5 Tuition - Tuesday

Multisport - Wednesday

Coding & Fun Fitness - Thursday

Cooking group 2 (KS1) & Gymnastics - Friday



Wednesday 9th Year 5 Action Tutoring is going ahead



Monday 14th **Trip:** Reception visit Cromer Street Mosque

Tuesday 15th **Trip:** Year 5 visit The National Maritime Museum

Thursday 17th **Trip:** Year 6 - Camden Junior Citizens

Friday 18th **Event:** Children In Need Day including an after school Family Quiz
(more details to coming soon)



Monday 21st **Event:** School Photos Day (Individual and Sibling)

