

Our value for May is Wisdom

Newsletter

Summer Term

12th May 23



Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week our Year 6's, with children across the country, sat their end of Key Stage 2 statutory assessments. Watchers of the news or social media users may have picked up on something of a controversy around the difficulty of the tests and angry questions about what we are putting our 10 and 11 year olds through. Once the test papers are in the public realm after the test window you might like to test your own knowledge on them! I am pleased to say that our children, whatever their achievement level and expertise in the English language, sat their tests with calm and positivity. They know that in life they will often encounter tricky situations and puzzling problems and that if you can 'have a go' and then move on, without panicking you may well surprise yourself in what you achieve. Well done Year 6 for giving the SATs your best shot!

This afternoon children enjoyed belated EID parties. It was a lovely way to end the week -thank you to all who provided delicious refreshments.

Enjoy your weekend.

Jemima Wade, Headteacher

Eid celebrations at Argyle

This afternoon, pupils celebrated Eid across the school. They enjoyed their class Eid parties, the children wore their best party clothes and parents generously contributed a variety of delicious foods. Year 1 even had a special runway that is linked with their current Religious Education topic 'Special to Us'. They wore clothes that were special to them and spoke about why they were special.



I wear this to Mosque. – **Khalid, 1 Jade**

They are so comfy, I liked walking down the runway. – **Sierra, 1 Ruby**

I got this on holiday when I went to Cyprus. – **Amyiah, 1 Jade**

These are my party clothes. – **Youssef, 1 Ruby**

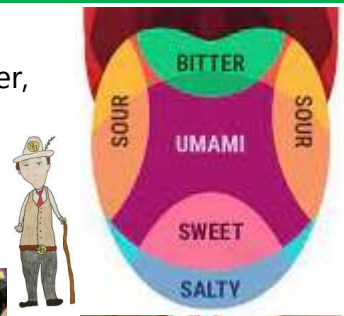


Eid celebrations at Argyle...continued



Year 1 Science

In science this week, the children have explored their sense of taste. We looked at our tongue closely and distinguished the different tastes. They are sweet, salty, bitter, sour and umami. Did you know that Umami is the Japanese way of describing things that taste complex or just unexplainably delicious. Can you tell which part of the tongue tastes each? The children tasted the following: Kerala, lemon, pretzels, honey, basil and ginger. Can you distinguish which food the tongue tastes? (Answer - bitter, sour, salty, honey).



Camden Learning Centre Trip

Yesterday the children visited the Camden Learning Centre. Firstly they explored how to program beebots to travel from A to B with single steps and then with multisteps, A to B to C. Then the pupils learnt how to make a diversion in A to B with a block. Once the children mastered the beebots practically, they used the computer to program on an app. This led the children to program Angry bird. Eventually the children had to match programming codes to the Angry bird mazes on screen. What a lot of learning!



Year 3

This week 3 Pearl have been busy exploring what they already know about new topics in History and Science.

History

We started out in the playground locating Egypt on a world map and also using our giant timeline to delve deeper into what is meant by Ancient Egypt.



Location

Asila: Egypt is in North Africa, close to Sudan, Libya and Saudi Arabia.



Chronology (time)

Manha: When Tutankhamen was Pharaoh in Ancient Egypt it was the Bronze Age here.

Asfia: When the pyramids were being built in Egypt, people were building Stonehenge here.

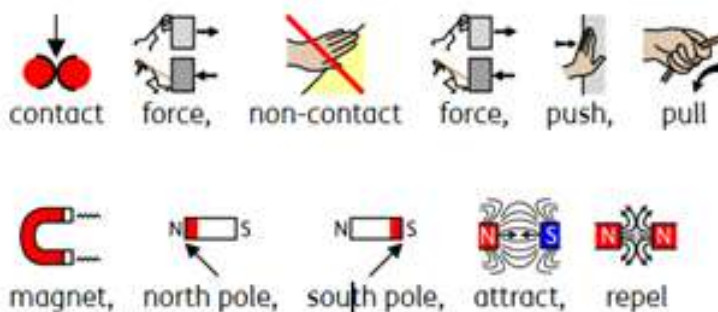


We are now using pictures and artefacts to look at how archaeologists piece together the evidence about how people lived thousands of years ago.

Science

The children used a range of equipment to explore their initial ideas about Forces and Magnets.

They used this word bank to help structure their ideas:



Gravity makes the parachute fall to the ground. The air makes it slower. – **Zahara**



The car goes slowly down the black side it is quite rough. On the red side it goes much faster. - **Olha**



It is a pull from the Earth's core. It is a non-contact force. It doesn't touch the parachute.– **Arsema**

The magnet is attracting the paper clip. It makes it move without touching.– **Mao**

The toy makes the shape of my hand because it pushes the pins only where my hand is. – **Mahbuba**

EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Reception

This week the children in Reception continued to learn the story of '**Jack and the Beanstalk**' using actions to help them remember it. As the story is about a beanstalk that grows and grows, the focus for the week has been on measuring using a range of equipment including rulers, metre sticks and measuring tape. The children measured each other, items in the classroom and outside in the garden. They used vocabulary such as longer and shorter to help them compare objects.

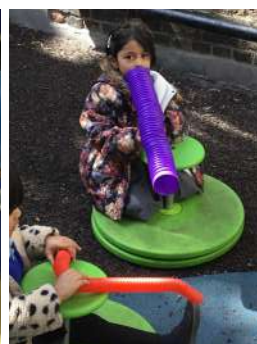


EYFS at Argyle Primary School - Nursery

In Nursery this week, the children have continued to use '**The Very Noisy Foxes**' as the stimulus for their learning. They were able to join in with the story which is a key aspect of the early years curriculum, and retell the story using a range of props. After reading the text, the children looked closely at Great Britain. They learnt that it is an island which means that it is surrounded by water. The children looked at a range of animals that live in Great Britain and talked about their habitats.

As many of the children in Nursery will soon be moving into Reception, we are working hard to ensure that they are ready to do so. In order to help get your child, you can:

- Help them to write their own names
- Practise counting to ten and beyond and help them to recognise the related numbers and count out the right amount of objects for numbers to 10.
- Always ask them to speak in full sentences.



Coming up at Argyle - Summer Term

All entries on the calendar have been sent via ParentHub, please check for more information.

May 2023

Monday 15th	Event: Class Photographs Parent Workshop: Learn English Fast (ESOL)- 9am in the FLC
Tuesday 16th	Event: Governor's meeting with Parents from 9am
Thursday 18th	Trip: 1 Jade visit London Zoo Trip: 4 Onyx visit The British Library Trip: Year 3 & Year 5 visit The Royal Academy of Dance
Friday 19th	Trip: 1 Ruby visit London Zoo
Monday 22nd	Pupil Workshop: Royal Academy of Dance in school with Year 3
Tuesday 23rd	Trip: Year 4 leave for Bonsall (Day trip & Camping) Trip: Year 5 & 6 Transition Event at Talacre
Wednesday 24th	Trip: Year 4 campers return from Bonsall
Thursday 25th	Event: 5 Quartz class assembly at 8.55am
Friday 26th	Trip: Year 6 visit London Zoo School closes at 3.15pm for half term

School Closed -Half Term Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

June 2023

Monday 5th	Pupil return to school Multiplication checks begin for Year 4 pupils only
Thursday 8th	Trip: Lido Tournament Finals for selected pupils Year 3&4
Friday 9th	Trip: 3 Garnet & 3 Pearl visit London Zoo
Monday 12th	Pupil Workshop: UCS Dance Project in school with Year 3

Attendance & Punctuality

Well done to **5 Quartz** the only class to achieve at least **96%** this week.

	WK1	WK 2	WK 3	WK 4	WK 5	WK 6
Rec: Jet	86%	94%	91%	87%		
Rec: Topaz	86%	83%	84%	87%		
1 Jade	91%	96%	92%	92%		
1 Ruby	91%	90%	91%	91%		
2 Amber	93%	92%	93%	93%		
2 Opal	95%	94%	98%	95%		
3 Garnet	93%	97%	91%	93%		

	WK1	WK 2	WK 3	WK 4	WK 5	WK 6
3 Pearl	94%	97%	98%	95%		
4 Onyx	95%	93%	92%	95%		
5 Quartz	95%	100%	97%	96%		
6 Diamond	94%	95%	98%	95%		
6 Sapphire	93%	93%	99%	94%		
Total	93%	94%	94%	93%		
Camden	93%	-	93%			

SCHOOL'S OUT! HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME AT YOUR LOCAL CAMDEN LEISURE CENTRE



We are delighted to be offering a variety of activities that are set to have your children excited to share what they've been doing over the holidays. These activities range from swimming for all the family, learn to swim short courses and junior gym. There really is something new for young people to get involved with in Camden this half-term. The Holiday Programme runs from Monday 29th May – Sunday 4th June 2023.

Swim For All

No matter your fitness, 'Swim for All' sessions are perfect if you're looking to build your confidence, work on strokes, float away stress, or simply enjoy a casual swim with family and friends. 'Swim for All' sessions are suitable for all ages, in pools across Camden.

Kids for a Quid

The Kids Swim for a Quid initiative will be available in all of our leisure centres in Camden during February half-term from Monday 13th February. This half-term, under 16s will be able to swim in our pools during Swim For All sessions for £1, every day until 10am.

Crash Courses

Our lessons are suitable for children 4 years and over. Teaching the essential swimming skills to ensure they learn to be safe in and around water. These courses cover basic techniques for all 4 strokes if you're a beginner or improving.

Junior Gym

A dedicated session where teens and older children aged between 11-15 years old can access the gym and get active. Sessions have a member of staff present, so if you are unfamiliar with any equipment, you can always ask them for safety advice. All juniors, however, are required to book a junior gym induction prior to attending the session.

Soft Play

Soft Play gives children the freedom to play and use their imagination in a specially-built maze of ball pits, slides and rope swings. We run drop in sessions throughout the week and you are free to come along at any time to any session and join the fun.

Memberships

Whether you want to make a one off payment or monthly payment we have a wide range of memberships on offer. Pay and Play Junior U16s: £6.15/Monthly junior: £17.10 or Concessionary: £13.40
www.better.org.uk/memberships

