



Argyle
Primary
School

NEWSLETTER

OUR VALUE FOR MAY IS COLLABORATION



HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a rollercoaster of a half term! Fast paced, a lot of ups, a few downs but always exhilarating! Our value for May has been collaboration and children and staff have enjoyed many opportunities to collaborate. Staff at Argyle really do 'Go the extra mile' to ensure that pupils enjoy the very best educational opportunities. This week for example, Ms Webster, Ms Quinn, Ms Jones and Mr Uddin spent a night sleeping on the floor in Bonsall primary school so that the children could enjoy their camping experience despite the appalling weather. They were positive throughout and still smiling today. Very typical of our fantastic team. I am sure that you will join me in wishing all of our staff a happy half term - and we in return hope that you have a fantastic week with your children.

See you in June.

J. Wade

Head Teacher

Year 6 Bikeability

Year 6 children who could already ride a bike have been learning how to ride safely on the borough's streets through the Camden Bikeability course. Other Year 6 children have had the opportunity to begin learning how to cycle. The borough offers free cycling courses for children who are learning from scratch. Training is held in the safe playground area of Haverstock School, close to Chalk Farm Underground Station. There is more information on the Camden Council website.



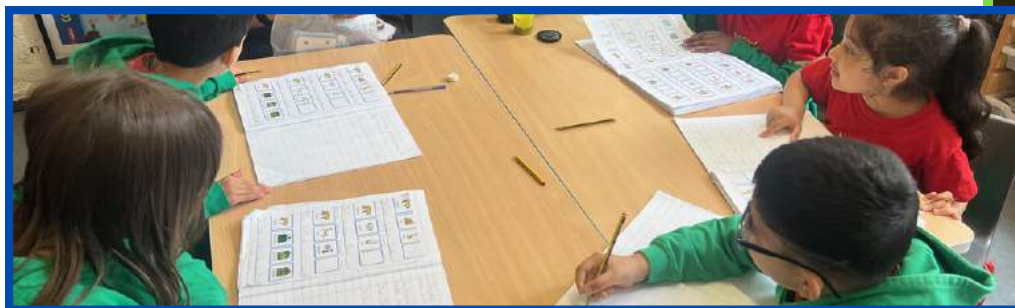
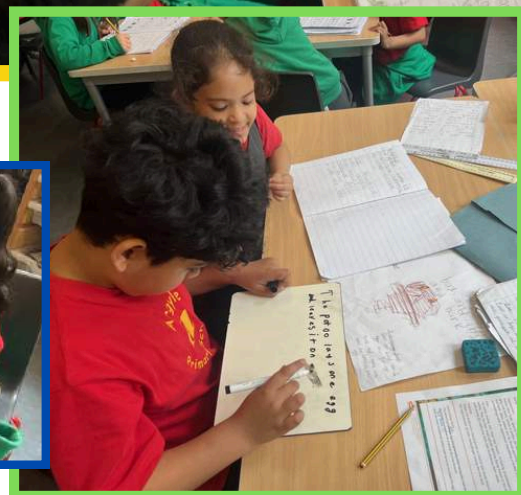
EXCITING YEAR 4 ADVENTURE TO BONSTALL!

This term, Year 4 embarked on an unforgettable adventure to Bonsall in Derbyshire. Some students set out on a day visit, while others experienced the excitement of camping overnight. Stay tuned for a detailed account of their adventures in the next newsletter. You won't want to miss it!



KEYSTAGE 1

Key stage 1 have been working in pairs and small groups to learn about an animal who lives in the rainforest. They have been learning how to extract information from an information sheet and produce fact files. Ask your child which animal they've been learning about and to tell you about its habitat, diet and/or appearance. Ayaan learned that, 'A potoo is a bird that lives in the rainforests in Central and South America.' Additionally, Year 1 children are becoming more confident in writing their own sentences independently and remembering to include capital letters and full stops. Afreen wrote, 'Sloths have long fur and claws.'



Argyle Girls Shine at 'La Liga' Football Tournament

Yesterday a team of Year 3 and 4 girls attended a 'La Liga' Football tournament at Market Road pitches. The girls worked hard, pushed through and conquered - achieving 1st place! They won a victory plate, a football signed by Vicky Losada (who plays for Brighton) and were allowed to keep their kits.

At the end of the match they all met Vicky Losada !

Congratulations to the team and special thanks to Sdeibar and Bloomsbury Football for giving us this amazing opportunity.

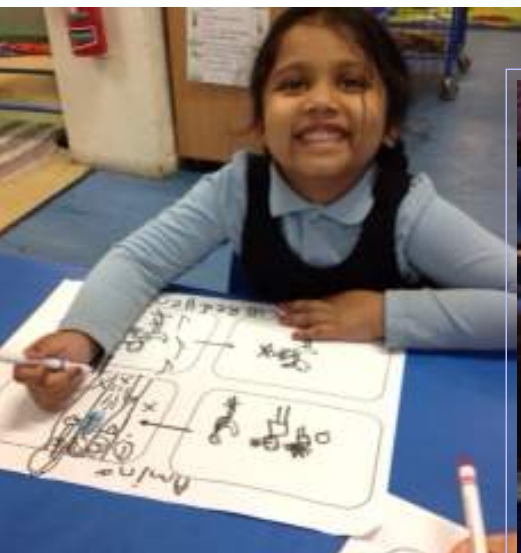




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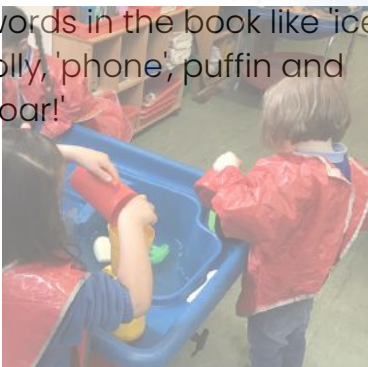
In the final week before the half term holiday, the children in Reception have been learning about food and where it comes from. They discussed farms and the types of animals that live there. They learnt that different items come from farms, such as milk, cheese, eggs, bread and even wool to make clothes. Following this, the children read the story of 'The Little Red Hen' and discussed the moral behind the tale. They used words such as unhelpful and selfish to describe the characters in the story that did not help the Little Red Hen, and then talked how it is important to be helpful. In maths, the children have been showing their number knowledge up to 10 by ordering numbers and then showing one more than a given number.



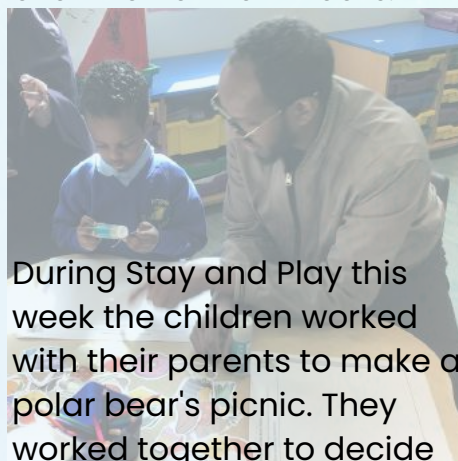
NURSERY



This week we travelled all the way from the bottom of the world (Antarctica) to the top of the world - The Arctic (The North Pole) and read the book 'Where Bear?' by Sophy Henn. Our book was all about a boy that lived with a polar bear cub that got too big and beary! So, the boy took the bear to lots of different places to see if he could live there instead and the bear said 'NO' each time. Then the boy found out that polar bears live in the Arctic so he took him there and the bear was finally happy! We talked about how different animals need to live in their own special habitats in order to be healthy and happy. We played 'what's in the box?' to talk about some of the words in the book like 'ice lolly', 'phone', 'puffin' and 'roar!'



This week we had a special visitor in nursery, Argyle art teacher Ms Hadri. She talked to us about the African artist El Anatsui and the amazing art work he has produced done. Nursery started to make their own, El Anatsui inspired piece of art, by rolling, twisting and then taping paper circles. We are looking forward to continuing with this project over the next few weeks.



During Stay and Play this week the children worked with their parents to make a polar bear's picnic. They worked together to decide what kind of healthy food would be good to take, and a few special treats too! In phonics the children learned about the 'z' sound and they practised writing the letter 'z' too. In maths we carried on learning about shapes.



We reminded ourselves what triangles and rectangles are like and then we learnt a new 3d shape - the triangular prism. The children learned that this shape can be used to make roofs when we are building towers with blocks. The children then did some printing in paint with triangular prisms and they found out that they could make triangles and rectangles with this 3d shape.



Parent Workshop

On Thursdays we have the Reading Workshop for Reception class parents.

This week parents/carers got to make personalised bookmarks for their children.

Parents and carers should make it a habit to read with children because it helps lay the neurological groundwork for effective language and use of literacy. Alongside learning to decode the words on the page, your child will also learn comprehension skills.

This helps them make sense of what the words say and what the text means.

Together, these skills will help your child on their way to becoming a keen and confident reader.



New school website is **Live!**

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new school website, designed to provide a seamless and engaging experience for our students, parents, and staff. The revamped site offers a range of exciting features to enhance communication and access to important information.

Key Features:

- **User-Friendly Navigation**
- **Updated News and Events**
- **Parent Information**
- **Mobile Compatibility**

We invite you to explore our new website and discover all it has to offer. Your feedback is invaluable as we continue to improve and make our school community even stronger. Visit us at www.argyle.camden.sch.uk and stay connected!

Welcome to our new website.

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DON'T MAKE ANY EXCUSES; DON'T LET ANYTHING HOLD YOU BACK!

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Attendance & Punctuality



Week	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jet	96%	92%	87%	99%	92%	99%
Topaz	93%	91%	95%	99%	94%	99%
Amber	97%	94%	94%	97%	95%	89%
Emerald	90%	96%	97%	92%	91%	86%
Opal	99%	94%	98%	93%	93%	88%
3 Garnet	98%	98%	95%	100%	94%	91%
3 Pearl	100%	97%	94%	91%	97%	97%
4 Onyx	92%	93%	97%	98%	96%	88%
4 Quartz	98%	97%	97%	95%	99%	97%
5 Amethyst	99%	100%	98%	97%	92%	97%
6 Sapphire	99%	99%	98%	97%	99%	98%
Total	97%	96%	95%	96%	95%	92%
Camden	-	94%	-	94%	94%	-

Well done to 3 Pearl, 4 Onyx, 4 Quartz and 6 Sapphire for attaining the target of 96% attendance this week.

This week **101** of sessions in the registers were marked as 'L' (Late). Pupils should be in their line at **8.40am**, ready to go up to class and be marked into the register at 8.45am when school begins.

Exceptional Leave:

Parents are reminded not to book holidays during school term time.

If there is an emergency and you need exceptional leave, please complete a form from the school office and await the decision from the headteacher before booking your tickets.

Reporting Absences

Parents should report any absences to the school office by calling 02078374590 before 9.30am.

Please do not leave messages on the answering machine. A member of staff may call you again to discuss the absence.

Please do not send emails to the admin inbox.

Every School Day Counts

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY 2024

Half Term Holiday
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

JUNE 2024

Monday 3rd

Pupils return to school for Summer Term 2 at 8.40am
Year 4 Multiplication Check begins

Tuesday 4th

Trip: Opal Class visit The British Library from 9.10am – 10.45am
Trip: 4 Quartz visit The October Gallery from 9.30am – 12.30pm

Thursday 6th

Trip: 5 Amethyst visit The Globe Theatre from 10am – 2.30pm

Monday 10th

Class Photographs
Phonics Screening Checks begins

Tuesday 11th

Workshop: London Children's Ballet visit Year 4

Thursday 13th

Trip: Year 4 visit London Zoo from 9.30am – 2.30pm

Friday 14th

Trip: Selected KS2 pupils attend Young Women's Sports Day at Coram's Fields from 9.15am – 3pm

Monday 17th

INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 18th

EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Wednesday 19th

Trip: Year 2 visit St Pancras Library from 1.30am – 3pm

Thursday 20th

KS2 Sports Day

Friday 21st

Trip: Year 6 visit London Zoo from 10am – 3pm