



Bearness Primary School Newsletter 16.3.18



This week in Acorn and Oak...

This week the children in Acorns and Oaks have been looking at seeds and plants with Mrs Malpas. On Thursday morning they planted their own seed people using cress. We are going to monitor the growth over the week and then we will send them home. We have also been developing our hand eye coordination in PE. The children have been practicing throwing and catching beanbags and rolling and bouncing basketballs to a partner. They have good coordination and control, it is lots of fun! In Maths this week Oaks have been learning all about subtraction using a variety of objects, whilst the Acorns have been busy learning about 2D shapes. They have been on a shape hunt around the school and created their own pictures using the shapes. Well done everyone for another fantastic week, you are all working very hard. Keep it up!



This week in Redwoods...

This week Redwoods have been making links in their maths learning when looking at fractions, decimals and percentages. After starting their learning using resources to support their understanding of these tricky concepts, children are now using drawings and visualisation as well as calculations to convert these three ways of representing parts of a number. I have been particularly impressed with Tiffany's work on percentages and Keon's work on decimals and fractions.

We really enjoyed our 'Wake Up, Shake Up' this morning as part of 'Sports Relief' and then slowly got into the 'Stop, Drop and Dance' activity; our favourite had to be the 'Cha Cha Slide'. In the afternoon, we completed circuit training exercises and thought about the importance of a balanced diet.

This Week in Sycamore...

We have had such a super Sports Relief day exercising and thinking about how to live a healthy lifestyle. We danced, had a relaxing yoga lesson and swam throughout the afternoon. As well as practical stuff, we also looked at making small improvements to each day and how this could significantly impact our health. We all made a special 'health promise' and recognised how this could help us live a long and happy life.



This Week In Chestnut...

Chestnuts have had a fantastic week!

We have been working furiously on fractions! The whole class are now experts on recognising halves and quarters of shapes and quantities. We even got into working on finding non unit fractions and recognising that $\frac{1}{2}$ is equal to 2 quarters.

In Literacy, the children have been thoroughly immersed in The Secret Door and they have produced wonderful story maps recounting the story.

The times-tables and spellings are constantly improving over half of the class are either above or just completing the times-tables they need to know for their age! Fantastic Effort!

Governors :

Yvonne Short is the chair of our local governor board. A large part of her role is to challenge the Head of School to ensure that important areas such as safeguarding are taken care of to an excellent standard.

Eva Ziubryniecicz is a parent governor and is currently ensuring that provision for SEN learners is appropriate.



Attendance

Redwood	97.2
Sycamore	95.9
Chestnut	96.6
Oaks	95.3

The school will inform you should your child's attendance be a cause for concern. We work closely with the Education Welfare Officer to ensure attendance is good.

Please note that poor attendance can lead to prosecution and heavy fines.

Diary



Monday 19th March—Local School's Council Meeting at Coombeshead

Friday 23rd March—Final swimming session for Sycamore Class

Monday 26th March—Easter Assembly (time to be confirmed)

Thursday 29th March—Last day of term.

Tuesday 17th April—Children return to School

Thursday 19th April @ 2:15—Potheridge House Residential presentation for parents of children in years four and five.

Sport Relief

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The whole school has been buzzing today as a result of Sports Relief, it was great to see them all being so enthusiastic about the different activities we planned for the day.

Thank you to the parents who attended this morning's Wake Up Shake Up and special mention to Logan and Mason's Mum who was 100% committed to the activity!

At Break time, Redwoods were great in leading different activities for the rest of the school and after break the whole school were involved in a 10 minute skipping session.

The children have also had to 'Stop, Drop and Dance' at different times during the day. There was some Cha Cha Slides, and some 70s Rock and Roll!

The children in Sycamores also produced some lovely 'Healthy Eating plates' which showed the importance of leading a healthy balanced life-style.



Amazing Learners!

This week's amazing learners are...

Connor from Redwood,

Charlie from Sycamore

Darsh from Chestnut

Patsy from Acorn and Oak

Well done you really stood out this week!

