



Axminster Community Primary Academy Newsletter

20th September 2024, Issue 3



This Week

As the leaves are starting to fall, we are in the full throes of the Autumn term. This term we are trialling running more lunchtime clubs, as the take up in the evenings last year was very low. We are running Netball on Tuesdays and construction club on Thursdays, in addition to our normal OPAL play zones.

Looking ahead to next week, we have our sponsored obstacle course on Friday. All money raised will go towards developing our library and reading book provision. The children have lots of ideas about new books they want so it would be wonderful to make these dreams come true. There will be a prize for the class that raises the most money and for our individual top three fundraisers. Thank you for all your support.

Next Week

Monday - Tag Rugby Club (after school)

Tuesday - Netball (lunch - just turn up)
Gymnastics Club (after school - full)

Wednesday

Thursday - Construction Club (lunch - just turn up)

Friday - Sponsored Walk 2pm

Current Whole School Attendance
93.6%

Winning Year Group
Year 3 96%

Attendance Matters



Our Core Value this half term is:

Respect

Early Years



Little Acorns

As we welcome the children back to Nursery, we are sharing lots of activities that allow us to get to know each other and build relationships with our new and existing class members.



Reception

We are reading the Gruffalo this week and have been acting out the story using the story props. We've been developing our fine motor skills by placing the purple pegs onto the Gruffalo's back like his prickles and even been trying to paint the Gruffalo too! The children have been getting messy in the oats making Gruffalo crumble and alongside all of this we've also been enjoying our daily phonics lessons and the children have produced some of the most beautiful handwriting!

Key Stage 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2 have been excited about investigating their manipulatives. Year 1 have been improving their counting and Year 2 have been partitioning numbers to 100. We have been really impressed by their increasing independence and confidence. Well done Year 1 and 2!

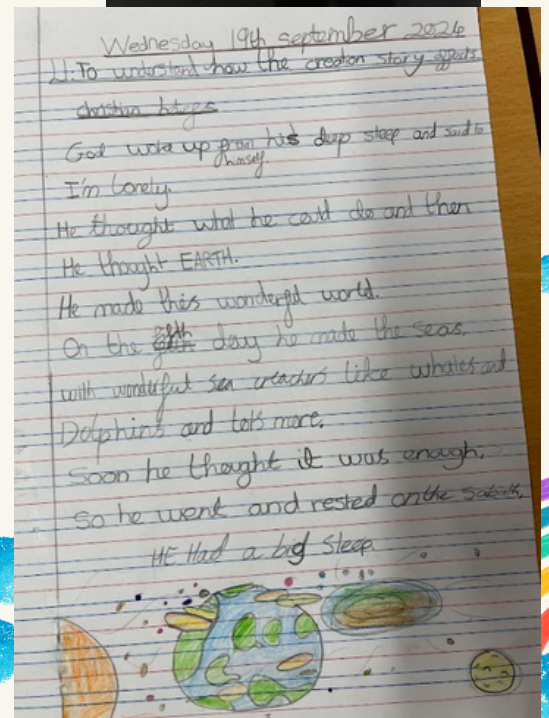
Year 3 and 4

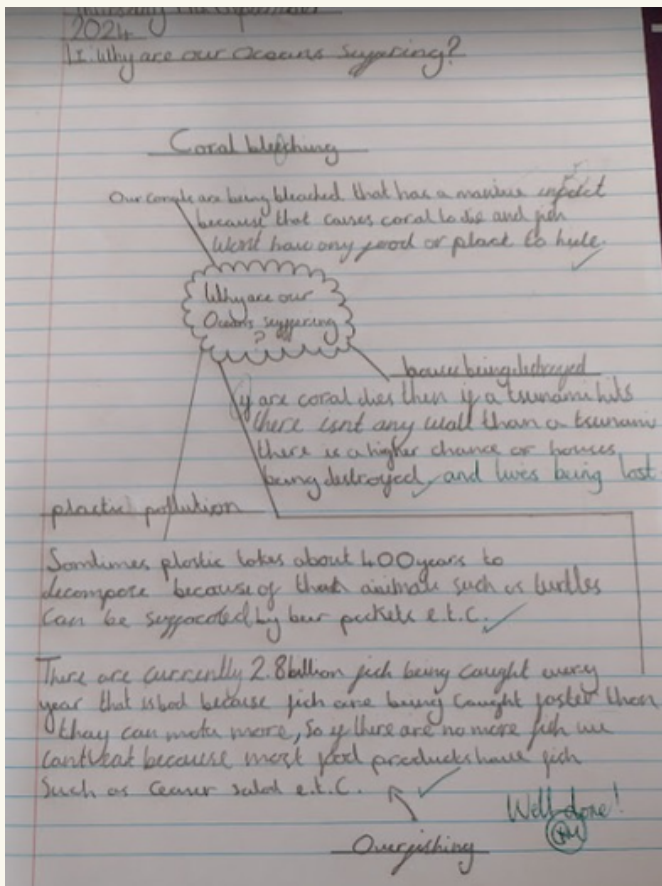
Year 3/4s have been showing some brilliant work this week! In RE, students discussed the Creation Story and how it effects Christian beliefs. We then created poems from the creation story. 'God grabbed a handful of light, rolled it in his hands, and made the sun / he grabbed a handful of darkness, rolled it in his hands and made the moon'.

Lovely work, Year 3/4!

Year 5 and 6

In Geography, Year 5/6 are investigating 'Why do oceans matter' this half term. Yesterday, we were investigating the importance of the coral reef and why the oceans are suffering. The pupils produced some amazing work identifying some of the problems that are causing the oceans to suffer.





School Noticeboard

Stay and Play After School Club

We are now booking spaces for After School Stay & Play via the Clubs section of your ParentPay account. Places MUST be booked and paid for online. If you are not registered for these clubs please email the office to arrange this.

These are limited and are offered on a first come, first served basis.

School Lunches

Please make sure you have booked your child's lunches via ParentPay by Thursday evening each week, even if your child is in KS1. Meal choices cannot be guaranteed if they are not booked in advance

Lost Property

Please have a look at the lost property in the boxes at the front of school. We would love to reunite people with their things. Please could you check that your children's things are labelled with a permanent marker or label so that we can return things easily.

Future Dates

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 4th: Children return to school

Tuesday 10th - Meet the Teacher
3.30-4

Wednesday 18th - Phonics
workshop in the hall 3pm

Friday 27th - Sponsored Walk





Future Dates

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SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 4th: Children return to school
Tuesday 10th - Meet the Teacher 3.30-4
Wednesday 18th - Phonics workshop in the hall 3pm
Friday 27th - Sponsored Walk

OCTOBER

Thursday 3rd: Film night :3.30 - 5.30pm
Tuesday 8th - PTFA AGM
Friday 11th - Y1/2 Storytelling Day
Monday - Friday 14-18th - Bikeability
Tuesday 15th / Thursday 17th - Parents Evening 4-6pm
Monday 21st - Poetry Day
Thursday 24th - Disco
Friday 25th - INSET school closed
Monday 28th Friday 1st Nov - Half Term

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th - Children return to school
Wednesday 6th -Flu Vaccinations
Friday 8th - Bags 2 School Collection
Monday 11th - Armistice Service and School photographs
Friday 29th - Non-School Uniform Day and Decorate for Christmas 3.30pm (bring children to join in the fun!)

DECEMBER

Monday 2nd / Tuesday 3rd / Wednesday 4th - Christmas Craft and Reception Nativity
Monday 16th - Little Acorns Nativity and Reception Nativity
Tuesday 17th - KS1 Christmas Show
Wednesday 18th - Christmas Lunch and KS2 Carols Around the Tree
Thursday 19th - Christmas Story Telling - Early Years + KS1 am / KS2 pm
Friday 20th - Christmas Service 9.30am / Non-School Uniform Day
Monday 23rd - Friday 3rd Jan - Christmas Holidays

JANUARY

Monday 6th - Children return to school
Friday 24th - Winter Bingo 6-8pm
Thursday 30th - Film Night - 3.30 - 5.30pm

FEBRUARY

Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th - Parents Evening 4-6pm
Friday 7th - KS2 Spring Concert 2.30pm
Thursday 13th - Disco
Friday 14th - Non-Uniform Day
Monday 17th - Friday 21st - Half Term
Monday 24th - Children return to school

MARCH

Thursday 6th - World Book Day
Friday 14th - Sports Relief
Monday 24th / Tuesday 25th - Mothers Day Crafts
Friday 28th - Spring Bingo 6-8pm

APRIL

Wednesday 2nd - Y3/4 Show 2pm and 5pm
Friday 4th - Easter Service
Monday 7th -Monday 21st April - Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22nd April - Children return to school

MAY

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - school closed
Friday 9th - Bags 2 School Collection
Thursday 22nd - Disco
Friday 23rd - Non School Uniform Day
Monday 26th - Friday 30th - Half Term

JUNE

Monday 2nd - INSET day
Tuesday 3rd - Children return to school
Thursday 5th - Sponsored Run
Monday 9th/ Tuesday 10th - Fathers Day Crafts
Thursday 12th - Sports Day (reserve date - Friday 27th)
Thursday 19th - Y6 Fiver Challenge
Wednesday 25th - Y5 STEM day at Axe Valley
Thursday 26th - Woodroffe Transition Day Y6

JULY

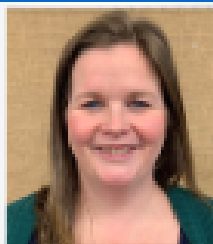
Tuesday 1st - Axe Valley Transition Day Y6
Axminster Transition Morning - whole school
Tuesday 8th - Whole School Transition Morning
Thursday 10th -Y3/4 Story Telling Day
Wednesday 16th - Y5/6 Show 2pm and 5pm
Thursday 17th - Leavers Service / Y6 Fun Swim
Friday 18th - Whole school Awards Service

We will endeavour to keep all dates as scheduled, but please note there may be changes if necessary, i.e. if events rely upon good weather. We will alert you to this as early as possible if any alterations are required.

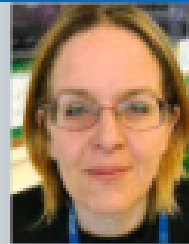
Safeguarding Information



Miss Reeve
Deputy DSL



Mrs Hulbert
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Elsworth
Deputy DSL

Our safeguarding and child protection information, including our policy, can be found [here](#) on our website.