



MARTINS WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

21st June 2024



HIGHLIGHTS

- Learning around the school
- Celebrations

Year 2 – RE

Year 2 have been learning about Hanukkah this term. They first learnt about the story of Hanukkah and this week explored the difference between a Menorah and a Hanukkiah. The children created a Hanukkiah using clay and candles, making sure there were 9 candles with the shamash candle being higher than the rest.



Early Years – Sports Day

The whole of early years spent last Wednesday morning taking part in many different sporting challenges and were assisted by some of our Year 5 children. The parents were invited in to school to watch and support the children's efforts and a lot of fun was had by all.



Year 5 – Science

Year 5 are learning about reversible and irreversible changes. They have designed a fair test that will hopefully reverse dissolving by evaporation. They have learnt that evaporation requires 'heat' and are therefore keeping their fingers crossed that the weather stays sunny!



Saplings – Healthy Eating

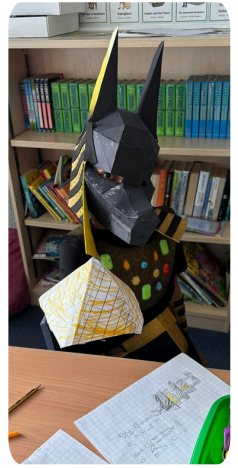
In Saplings, the children have been learning about healthy and unhealthy options. The children were using their subitizing skills to see if they could provide the number of fruits without touch counting.

Following this we made our own fruit kebab choosing from 🍓 🍈 🍎 🍊 and 🍌; the children have learnt a new game where we put a thumb up for healthy and a thumb down for unhealthy food choices. Try it at home.



Year 4- Egyptian Topic

In Year 4, the children started their topic with a fantastic 'Egyptian day' and have carried on the theme 'Ancient Egyptians' using it to inspire their English, History and DT. They have spent time learning about the importance of the River Nile, learning about the Pharaoh Tutankhamun and even learning about some of the machines that the ancient civilisation invented. In DT, the children have taken this further, exploring the different types of machine they invented and attempting to build them with construction kits.

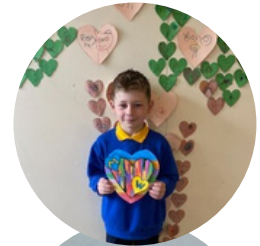


Reception – British Sign Language

The children in Reception really enjoy their weekly BSL lessons and try hard with their signing. This week we have revisited the signs for fruits that we learnt in our last lesson and thought about what we like to do in summer-playing, swimming, riding a bike, hiking, camping, sleeping and eating. The fruits they have learnt are apple, pear, mango, orange, cherries, berries, banana and grapes.

Celebrations

As part of our art challenge to represent Martins Wood as 'one school with many hearts' we asked the children to come up with some colourful ways to decorate a heart. Oscar in year 5 produced this wonderful piece.



A few weeks ago some of our year 6's took part in a Bikeability course. They spent the week learning about the maintenance of their bike and how to keep safe when riding on our busy roads. They have this week been presented with their badge and certificate - well done children!



Diary Dates

June

New to Early Years meeting

Mon 24th 9.30pm (in person)

Tue 25th 4.45pm (virtual)

Farm visiting school (Early yYars and Year 1) -

Tue 25th

Police visits (in school)-

Wed 26th and Fri 28th

Class Photos - Fri 14th June

July

Saplings Closed (polling day) - Thur 4th

Year 6 Performance -

Mon 8th 6pm and Tue 9th 2PM

Reports emailed out - Mon 8th

Fire Brigade Visit - Tue 10th

Sports day - Fri 12th

(Year 5 and 6, 9.05-10.15 Year 3 and 4, 10.45-12.00
Year 1 and 2, 2.00-3.15)

Y6 Disco - Thur 18th, 6pm-8pm

Leavers Assembly -Tue 23rd, 9.15am

End of term -Tue 23rd 2PM

New term begins -

Tue 3rd September

The Friends of Martins Wood present the

Summer Fair

Wednesday 10th July @ 3:45-5:30pm



JT football

Bar

BBQ

Snacks

Sweets

Face painter

Tombola

Bubbles



Inflatable area



Swing chair



Ice cream van



And much more!