

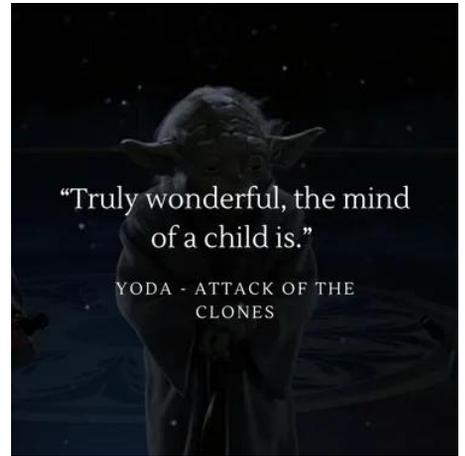


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Message from Miss Mason

Next week is 'Mental Health Awareness Week' and the theme is nature. This made me think how lucky we all are to be near such beautiful nature and the seaside, especially with the current restrictions on travelling. We must all take care of ourselves and our children's mental health, this can be done by making simple changes to how we live and doesn't need to cost a lot of money & time. A guide to some small changes we can all make;

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications/how-to-mental-health>

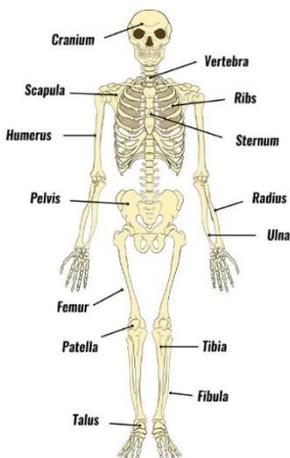


OZ

Oz class have been recalling facts about the Romans to create our own factual leaflets in English. They have been using different sentence starters and talking like an expert.

In maths we have been using positional and directional language and Coordinates which they have all enjoyed.

Our focus in Science has been looking at the function of the skeleton and naming some of the common bones.



Hogwarts & Camelot

Year 4 have been very busy over the last few weeks. We have been learning about our teeth and how our body digests food. We set up an experiment to test which liquids cause the most tooth decay. We used hard boiled eggs and different liquids including cola, milk and orange juice. We left the eggs in for an entire week and then observed how much damage had been caused. The children really enjoyed themselves and were curious to see the results.



Middle Earth

In English we have been writing our own detective stories. We have created our own fictional detective and sidekick. In Science we have been looking at the classification of plants and animals. We have looked at the work of Carl Linnaeus and how he developed the classification system.



Treasure Island

Our English unit this half term is "out of this world" as we take a look at the genre of Sci-Fi. The children have been showing great Growth Mindset traits in Maths, persevering with their fraction work and applying their knowledge to solve problems. In PE, we are using striking and fielding strategies through the game of rounders and are learning to work cooperatively as part of a team.

Laptops & Tablets

We still have had some laptops and tablets that are in great condition that have been kindly donated by Emmanuel Church West in Fleetwood. Please call the office on 01253 853879 to request a device.

Y4 Football Tournament

On Tuesday 27th April, 8 children from Year 4 travelled to Poolfoot Farm to take part in the first sporting event we have been able to attend in over a year! We played 5 matches, winning 4 and losing the other. This meant that overall we finished third, only missing out on first place by virtue of goals conceded. We enjoyed victories over Rossall, Larkholme, Sacred Heart and Charles Saer. All of our children who took part played brilliantly and their behaviour was a credit to them. This will be the first of many successes for this team!



Beach Buddies – After School & Breakfast Club

You may have noticed that our booking system has been upgraded to an electronic one. Links are sent via text 2 weeks in advance. Of course, if you require breakfast or afterschool club after the booking link has closed, you may ring the school office and they will do their best to secure a place. The next booking link will be sent via text next week, this will be for w/c 24/05 & 14/06 and will then continue to be sent 2 weeks in advance. If you need to cancel a place this must be done with 24 hours notice to avoid payment for the session.

"Today a reader, tomorrow a leader"

As always, we place great emphasis on the importance of reading both at home and in school. Good reading skills are essential life skills so that children can access and understand signs, labels, instructions, information, email, complete applications and essentially increase general knowledge and vocabulary.

"Vocabulary at the age of 5 is a powerful indicator of how many GCSE's a child will get at the age of 16" (Feinstein and Duckworth 2006)

Reading for a short time each night can have a huge impact on your child's vocabulary, comprehension and fluency. Please spend at least 10 minutes each day to read with your child so we can ensure every child achieves their full potential.



Diary Dates

May 2021

5th & 6th

Right Start – Neverland, Wonderland & Faraway Tree

10th – 14th

Mental Health Awareness Week

June 2021

31st – 11th June

Spring Bank Hols & Inset Days