

PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 10th November 2023

Happy Diwali to all in our community who celebrate the

Festivel of Lights this weekend.



Year 5 - Rainforest

Our children took part in a whole school art project based on and inspired by *Nicole Pietrantoni*'s art work.

They built on the theme of the 'Rainforest' in the Autumn term where they debated arguments 'For and Against' cutting down trees in the Amazon rainforest. This links to our croiss curricular learning about human's impact on *Climate and Environment*.

The children used bright and vibrant colours to exemplify the beautiful plants and animals found in the rainforest. They based their knowledge of colours from the book they studied – *The Great Kapok Tree* by *Lynne Cherry*.



<u>Year 6 meets with inspirational artist Nicole Pietrantoni</u> What happened when our Year 6 pupils met American artist Nicole Pietrantoni whose work they studied for their summer art project? Turn to page 4.





Remembrance Day 2023



Head Girl, Yasmine; Head Boy, Shaun; Deputy Head Girl, Kezia and Deputy Head Boy, Ronnie resprayed our poppy installation in preparation for this year's Remembrance Day.

Attendance for week beginning 6th November 2023

Ash 83.91%	1B 93.33%	2C 96.07%	3F 90.36%	4A 92.96%	5G 96.30%	6C 96.00%
Birch 96.67%	1G 92.69%	2F 93.85%	3G 95.67%	4L 94.40%	5H 91.24%	6D 98.40%
Oak 88.00%	1S 97.92%	2G 98.15%	3H 98.57%	4T 97.60%	5W 89.26%	6F 98.26%

Well done to Birch, 1S, 2C, 2G, 3G, 3H, 4T, 5G, 6C, 6D and 6F with attendance above 95%.

Overall attendance since September 2023: 94% ←

SCHOOL YEAR 2023/2024 – upcoming dates					
DATE	YEAR	EVENT ON YOUR			
13 th November	all	Anti-bullying Week Wear odd socks to show support for Anti-bullying Week			
Friday 17 th Nov all		Children in Need Donate £1 on Parent Pay and wear SPOTS for non-uniform day Order a shortbread & sprinkle biscuit as part of school meal and STIR will donate 5p per biscuit to Children in Need.			
Monday 20th Nov	all	Road Safety Week			
Fri 24 th November all		Inset Day – school closed			
December		Cardless Christmas & Food Bank Donations			
21/12/23 - 05/01/24	23 – 05/01/24 all Christmas Holidays				
Mon 8 th Jan 24	all Inset Day – school closed				
Tue 9 th Jan 24 all		Start Spring Term			

vaccinated and happy



The nurses said how amazing our children were and so calm. Whether they received the nasal spray or the vaccination, I couldn't have been more proud of all our children and staff today.

Mrs Dunlea – Medical Officer (among others)

This week we focus on

EXPLORE



These pupils received a certificate this week:

Kiara 1B, Morena 1G, Lawand 1S, Kevin 2C, Sophie 2G, Emma-Lee 2F, Larissa 3F, Ahmed 3H, Era 3W, Destiny 4A, Jessica 4L, Nevaeh 4T, Omari 5G, Reggie 5H, Angelica 5W, Ayse 6C, Paula 6F, Mia 6D



Children sharing their October Family Home Learning Projects

NICOLE PIETRANTONI



Whole school art project 2022-23

Meeting the artist:

Year 6 were lucky enough to take part in an online video call with Nicole, who inspired our artwork last year. We explained to her how her work had influenced our project and showed her examples of our blinds. Nicole was very enthusiastic and answered lots of our questions about her own work and life.

Question and answer session:

Have you ever thought that something was impossible but you still managed to achieve it?

-Yes, it is sometimes hard to get what is in my mind onto paper and takes time and effort to keep going even when it goes wrong, but seeing my ideas come to life is wonderful.

Why is art so important to you?

-I grew up in a house where my whole family was artistic and in school, my teachers would always inspire me to pursue my love of art. So I had role models around me that showed me being good at art was possible.

Has anyone ever said anything negative about your art and how did you keep going after this criticism?

-Yes, people have disliked my art before but of all the people that do not like my art, there are 10 more that do. I listen to those people around me who believe in me and help build my confidence and support me.





The Weather Machine

On Thursday, nursery, reception and KS1 were enthralled by a performance called The Weather Machine.



Through mime, the actors performed the different weather through the seasons.

The children really enjoyed this very visual performance and were a credit to our school.















See http://www.kateflatt.com/the-weathermachine/

TIMES TABLES COMPETITION

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England.

To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60-minutes per player.





1-Minute Maths on the App Store (apple.com) 1-Minute Maths - Apps on Google Play

1 - MINUTE MATHS

is a FREE app that has fast & fun number tasks to help primary school children gain number confidence and fluency! It has one-minute tasks that focus on adding and subtracting, multiplying and dividing up to the 12 times table – and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. If needed, use the 'Hint' button – it shows the question in a different but familiar way. When the 1-minute is up, answers appear on the screen in seconds.

Top 10 reasons for using 1-Minute Maths!

- 1. Excellent number practice and no distractions.
- 2. Enjoyable maths tasks children want to complete.
- 3. Instils basic number concepts during early years.
- 4. A clear, intuitive process that children pick up straight away.
- 5. No login or internet access needed. Just download and play!
- 6. A motivator how many correct answers can they score?
- 7. Helpful hints for support when it's needed.
- 8. Brilliant for building number confidence and fluency.
- 9. Random question generator means no repetition.
- 10. Completely FREE to download!





On Friday 10th November, the school football team took part in the Fursman cup football competition which was hosted by The Raglan school.

In the first match we took the opposition into extra time but, unfortunately, we lost 5-4. It was a very good team performance nonetheless.

In the second match we lost 3-2 to Salcombe school. This was also another highly contested match which we played well in.

Overall, we played well as a team and enjoyed the competition we played against.

Frozen Theatre Visit – Years 5 and 6

"It was amazing." Shaun 6F

"The songs they sung were brilliant and the actors singing was out of this world." Ayse T 6F

"I thought it was really funny, there was lots of jokes added in to it which made it good." Alessandro 6C

"I liked when Anna punched Hans after he tricked her." Sadia 6C

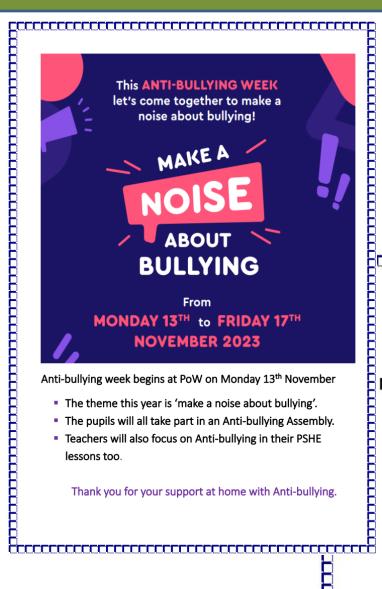
"I enjoyed the Frozen trip, the graphics used were great and the show was so funny." Emin 6D

"I liked watching a childhood movie played out on the stage." Mia 6D















Monday 13th November - wear odd socks to school to

show your support for Anti-bullying!



Children in Need - STIR

Order a Rainbow Sprinkled Shortbread on the 17th November and STIR will donate 5p to Children in Need!

SPOTactular!

17th November 2023

Children in Need is a fantastic day when we become superheroes for other kids!

Stir will donate 5p from each Rainbow Sprinkle Shortbread to Children In Need



#OddSocksDay Get your odd socks on and support #AntiBullyingWeek









WHY ARE TIMES TABLES IMPORTANT?

SUPPORT LEARNING

Times tables serve as a building block for higher-level maths concepts.

With a strong understanding of multiplication, children will succeed with topics such as division, fractions, algebraic equations, and more!

STRENGTHEN LIFE SKILLS

Times tables have practical applications in our daily lives.

From calculating prices and discounts while shopping, to managing budgets, multiplication is an essential skill for financial literacy and general problemsolving.

BUILD CONFIDENCE

Children feel more confident in their mathematical abilities when they have a solid grasp of times tables.

They'll be up for tackling more challenging mathematical tasks and increase their success and enjoyment of Maths!



INTRODUCING TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

A FUN WAY TO SUPERCHARGE YOUR CHILD'S MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION SKILLS!

GET READY TO ROCK

Watch and learn how your children log in, navigate the platform, start practising and track their progress.

"It's just so very user friendly and feels like a game rather than yet another school work chore. So my kids are eager to play to rack up reward points. I used to have to beg them to practice times tables, now they are doing it without me even asking! Yay to that!"

> "We've used the app for 2 years and it has made such a difference to our daughters ability to learn her times tables. She really struggled beforehand. Thank you so much."

"My lad loves TT Rockstars and it has helped him massively with his times tables."



Parents & Carers - Times Tables Rock Stars (ttrockstars.com)

November Family Home-learning Project

Our school value for the month of November is Explore. This value is all about trying new things, valuing fresh experiences, ideas and the beliefs of others. It is about being creative and having a go because there is always something new to learn and find out.



This month, we would like you to have a go at something <u>new</u> as a family and then share your experience at the end of the month. Have a look at some of the suggestions below – the choice is YOURS and the options are limitless.

- Cook and try a different meal perhaps from another culture or tradition
- Learn a new skill
- Learn a new language
- Go for a walk or small adventure somewhere different local or otherwise
- Try a new fitness activity or exercise together

Anything!

Just as in October, you can present your experience at the end of the month however you would like – work together as a family or with friends.

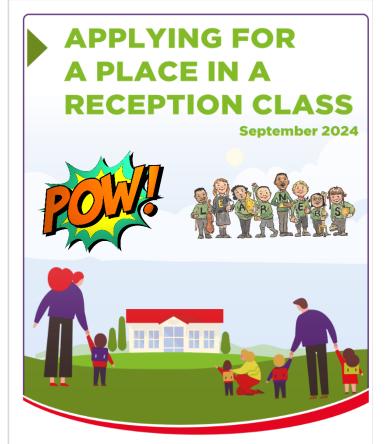
- A written report
- A poster with facts and drawings of something 'new' you tried
- Write a speech and record yourself
- Share a photograph or film of you having a go
- Design and make a model

Projects are due by the 1st December. We can't wait to see what you come up with this month.





School admissions and applications | Enfield Council



Applying for a Primary School for September 2024

www.eadmissions.org.uk www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions



APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN A RECEPTION CLASS

Applying for a place in a reception class If your child was born between 1.9.19 and 31.8.20 you need to think about applying for a place in reception class for September 2024.

The information booklet'Applying for a Primary School in Enfield. Information for Parents' is available online for all families at www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions.

If your child has an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP), SEN Services will contact you to explain the process you will need to follow as the arrangements for your child will be different. For more information contact SEN@enfield.gov.uk.

Online Applications

Parents need to make an online application for a school place. You can apply online at <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>. You can do this from 1 September 2023 through to 15 January 2024. You can make changes to your preferences throughout the application period but make sure you follow the instructions to resubmit any amendments made.

How the system works

- You can apply for up to 6 schools
- You make an application to the local authority in which you live
- You can apply for schools in Enfield or elsewhere
- A computer system is used to exchange information about Enfield residents applying for schools outside the borough. Other boroughs tell us about their residents applying for Enfield schools.

- If a school has more applications than places, the published admission criteria is used to decide who should be offered a place.
- No child is offered more than one school place.
- You will get the results of your application during the evening of 17 April 2024.

Choosing a school

- Please do some research, look at school's website, Ofsted reports and read the school prospectus.
- Consider how you will get your child to school.
- Don't listen to gossip, what's right for other children may not be the same for your child.
- Think about how realistic your choice is, most schools get more applications than they have places available.
- Make sure you have listed the schools in your application in your true order of preference.





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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT NOVEMBER 2023

Planning for our future



PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Bowmer + Kirkland has been selected by the Department for Education as the main contractor on plans to regenerate Chace Community School in Enfield and would like to invite local people to review the plans at a public exhibition or via our website.

Please come along to meet the project team on:

- Thursday 16th November 2023
- **§** 5.00pm 8.30pm

 Chace Community School, Churchbury Lane, Enfield EN1 3HQ







Department for Education

Have your say at: www.chacecommunityplans.co.uk