



Calder Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 28th June 2024

Class News

Class R We have been reading The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch this week. We came up with our own plans to stop the seagulls and created menus of yukky food for them. In maths we have been looking at maps and using positional language. We looked on google maps and managed to find some of our houses by describing where they are. We enjoyed our first sports day at Calder Primary. The children tried their best and were super in each event. Well done, Reception!

Class 1 This week Class 1 have been working hard on describing the seasons and how the weather changes in each one. We also looked at how many sunlight hours we have and answered some scientific questions about each season. In maths, Y1 have been recognising coins and notes and Y2 have been looking at tally charts, tables and block diagrams. They have been looking at the data given and answering questions and finding the difference. In DT we have continued making our vehicles, making sure our wheels and axels are correct and then decorating them. Y2 have been working hard in their English lessons, making sure to use chronological order, time adverbials and contractions when writing about their weekends with Flat Stanley. A busy week!

Class 2 Class 2 have had an amazing week! On Monday, we loved having sports day and were very impressed with the competitive spirit and sportsmanship shown by all. In English, we have continued reading The Land of Roar and are very intrigued to find out how Arthur is going to save his Grandad. We have practised punctuating direct speech and are applying this to the narrative that we are planning. In maths, Year 3 have been identifying 3D shapes and constructing their nets. Year 4 have started their statistics unit and have been interpreting bar charts and pictograms. In science, we researched planets in our solar system and created a poster to show this information. In history, we have compared what life was like during the Maya period. A great week
Class 2 - well done for all of your hard work in the heat!

Class 3 Class 3 have worked hard this week in history, looking more closely at the Cragg Vale Coiners and the process that they used to clip and create more coins! In science, we created models of the sun, moon and Earth to show their orbit patterns. Alongside this we've look at features of a balanced argument ready to help us write our own. Class 3 also did an excellent job of exploring and understanding different types of relationships and how they link to our identity during PSHE this week! We also enjoyed a sunny sports day with lots of wonderful sportsmanship being shown throughout the afternoon - well done, Class 3!

Diary Dates

1.7.24 Choir performing at Voices Together at Victoria Theatre *Book tickets to watch at

<https://www.victoriatheatre.co.uk/whats-on/voices-together-2024> using the code: CMVT24.

You should have received a letter this week with all the final details for choir, please get in touch if you have not received it or have any questions, thanks!

2.7.24 Class Freeze Ice Pops for sale – 50p!

4.7.24 We will be holding our own mini election in school!

4.7.24 Year 6-Year 7 Welcome Evening

5.7.24 Year 6 - Year 7 Transition Day

5.7.24 Years 1-5 Trip to Jodrell Bank

9.7.24 Year 6 to Year 7 House Quiz event

10.7.24 Tennis sessions for each class!

11.7.24 Reception Class Trip to Manor Heath

11.7.24 2.30pm Class 2 ukulele performance to families

12.7.24 AM All classes transition morning and new Reception in to join us.

15.7.24 3.15pm Year 6 Leavers Event (don't tell them!) Please join us at 3.15pm to cheer them out of school and wave them on their way!

16.7.24 Calder Learning Trust Culture Day

17.7.24 4pm KS2 Team to Rounders Competition – our field.

18.7.24 9am Leavers and End of Term Assembly - families welcome

19.7.24 **School closes for summer – Calder Primary 12pm, Calder High 12.15pm** *Please do not park on site due to buses*

4.9.24 Calder Primary Years R-6 Back to School

Please see information from Calder High for staggered return for Years 7-11

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Active News

We enjoyed our Sports Afternoon on Monday and it was lovely to have lots of families join us too.

We are sorry we ran out of time for the parents and toddlers races, we were a bit out of practice with timings after we were rained off last year!

It was lovely to welcome back some former pupils- and some extra Year 7s- to support us too!

The Sports Cup will be awarded at our end of term assembly on 18th July.

Classes have been enjoying their outdoor learning again in our Forest School area this week. Judo was back as well this week with some amazing break falls going on and lots of fun, fitness games too.

Year 5 Ice Pops Stand

We were so impressed with the Class Freeze (Class 3's) Ice Pop Stand on Tuesday. As well as calculating their costings and profits and getting their stock in, they also made some wonderful signs, banners and bunting and were fabulous at their teamwork in managing the stalls, talking to customers, taking the money and giving change. There are certainly some entrepreneurs for the future in Class 3!

They will be selling again on Tuesday 2nd July!

Jodrell Bank

A reminder that Years 1-5 will be visiting Jodrell Bank on Friday 5th July as part of their science learning about space. They need to be at school for **8am** to register and will need to wear their school uniform, sun cream and a sun hat. They may bring a small rucksack to carry their packed lunch (either a school one or one from home), raincoat and a filled water bottle. They may bring a small activity or book for the coach, but no electricals please.

We should be back for the end of the school day, traffic depending!

We still have around 25 outstanding payments for the trip, if you have not yet paid, please do so on ParentPay before Monday 1st July. If you have any difficulties with this, please speak to Mrs Pickup so that we can help.

Unfortunately, if we do not have enough payments to cover the cost of the trip this time, it may mean we are not able to do longer distance trips such as this again in the future.

Reception will be in school as normal and Year 6 will be at their transition days!

Expressive Arts Exhibition

Classes 2 and 3 visited the Calder High Expressive Arts Exhibition and were quite amazed by the variety including photography, sculpture and mixed media. It certainly gave them inspiration and aspirations for the future!

Awards

Well done to our award winners this week!

Kindness Awards

Class R: Niamh D-G

Class 1: Mercedes

Class 2: Stanley

Class 3: Maggie

Stars of the Week

Class R: Oscar

Class 1: Charlie B

Class 2: Eliza

Class 3: Dylan

Sunny Weather!

A reminder please to put sun cream on in the mornings before school. You can also put named sun cream in bags for children to reapply during the day if needed.

Please can children have a sun hat and a water bottle every day. We also suggest a waterproof coat in their bag, as you never know in this country!

Cragg Challenge Collinge Climb

Thank you to all our amazing runners who took part in the Collinge Climb Schools Relay last Sunday morning. We had 26 Calder Learning Trust runners which was a great turn out and they were all a credit to us – from the Reception pupils beginning the race, up to the Year 6 pupils running in the mist up the top of the hill and everyone in between!

Thank you to parents and families for your help too (especially as it was rather early on a Sunday 😊)

We have heard that we beat the 2023 record, but will let you know when we have more details!

It was great to see some former pupils and some parents taking part in the other running and cycling events over the weekend as well.

Year 4 Lights, Camera Score

The finished video from this project, which features our Year 4 pupils playing their own composition and singing, along with Beech Hill School's animation and narration, is now available to view online. We're sure you'll agree that their hard work paid off, well done Year 4!

[The song](#)

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