

Ayresome Primary School Newsletter

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Headteacher's News

Welcome back to 2016!

We have a fabulous term and year ahead. The children are very enthusiastic about their learning and wish to invite all parents and carers to 'International Week' 8th February—12th February. We will be celebrating our fabulous children and families with events, writing, adult learning, food and parents visits to every class during the week. We need some artefacts and traditional foods and dolls in 'national dress' to share with our children. The countries represented this year are; Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Croatia, England, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Iraq, Lithuania, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka and The Yemen.

If you can help please contact Esther Harrington (teacher on office@ayresome.net or 01642 244961.)

Parents Evening will take place on Monday 22nd February and Wednesday 24th February. Please ensure that you make an appointment to see your child's teacher to discuss their progress.

LEGO extravaganza

Ms Biggin and Mr Ainsley visited the BETT Show in London last week. Mr Ainsley presented to a national audience. We will be hosting a LEGO School Day on 26th February and we will keep you posted on our regional work in the area!



Year 6 parents will be invited to a SAT's talk shortly and have the opportunity to purchase revision guides at discount prices for pupils. See Miss Lavelle for details.

Mrs Barker and Mrs Robertson will shortly leave for maternity leave and replacement teachers are already in place. Miss Rachel Brough joined as the permanent teacher in Reception and Mr Bennison will join the school in February to take Mrs Barker's class.

School Uniform

We are concerned that pupils are not wearing school uniform. Ayresome is a uniform school and parents are expected to comply with the requirement. Please note that jewellery is not permitted on school site, **stud** earrings only and a watch may be worn. **Medical bracelets / necklaces** are acceptable to ensure pupil safety.

Best wishes ,

Ms Lisa F Biggin, Headteacher



Headteacher's
Weekly
Wonderful
Work

Nursery

Saplings : Abeer S,
Adeeb K.

Reception

Alder: Felicia A,
Yesna R,
Mohammed K,
Marek R,
Lacey-Mae F,
Kaid R.

Chestnut: Hanen K,
Isaac L,
Amyleigh D,
Malak Q,
Logan L,
Lorenzo D,
Lacey J.

Hazel: Lorela H,
Logan H,
Moise R,
Logan J,
Adam S,
Sahil H,
Imaan H,
Noah C.

Year 1

Cherry: Sebastien D,
Michael O,
Nikolas K,
Sebastien D.

Fir: Justin S,
Alfie P,
Sibu R,
Zainab A,
Summer H,
Samia B,
Gallaye D.

Elm: Ayesha A,
Maham C,
Emily R,
David F,
Kaitlyn J,
Robin Z,
Rukayah A.

Year Groups

Pippins

Pippins are having lots of fun this term learning about colours! We have been outside mixing paints and making marks with brushes, rollers, spray bottles, our hands and our feet! We have welcomed ten new friends to Pippins and we are helping them settle in and get to know everyone and all the things that we have to play with.



Nursery

We are having a fantastic time with our topic this half term, learning all about rainbows has given us the opportunity to be 'messy' every day as we explore different media and make our own colours. We have splashed, sploshed and squirted paint inside and out to make some fantastic new colours !!!

Our rainbow songs have been fun to learn and we have enjoyed finding children from other schools singing them on Youtube.

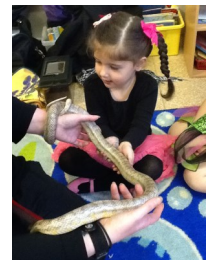


We continue to enjoy our traditional stories but we have also been reading some new ones with fun titles.

Miss Steele has brought us some very interesting natural materials to explore and we have made a superb habitat for snakes !!!

Zoolab came to visit and they brought some wonderful mini beasts and a snake which could easily come and live with us now.

When we made Gloopy Gloop we had an amazing time mixing, slopping, sliding and stretching. Everyone needs to come and have a go its very therapeutic!!



Year Groups

Reception



Reception have been working so hard this half term to find out about 'Why Don't Snakes Have Legs?' We started our topic with a fantastic memorable experience visit from Zoolab. During the visit, we got to stroke a scaly slithery snake, watch a racing rat run, hold a snotty snail and feel a frumpy frog. In topic, we have been learning about different types of reptiles and how they all need different things to help them survive.

We have been working really well in our Read, Write Inc. to learn how to blend sounds together to help us to read new words and segment the sounds in words to use in our writing. We are ALL readers!

In our Maths work, we have been learning how to count forwards and backwards to 20, recognise numbers up to 20 and learning to write them. We are so clever that we are now beginning to find one more or less than a given number and find the total of two sets of objects. It is such an exciting time learning all these new things at school and we can't wait to practise them at home so that we can get even better at them!



Year 1

This half term, Year 1 have been learning about 'Superheroes!' We have had a wonderful time making ourselves into superheroes and choosing our super powers! We have read some great stories such as Traction Man, Max and Super Daisy and they have helped us produce some fabulous writing.

Year 1 have been very lucky to have visits from real life superheroes including a nurse, fireman and policeman. We are very excited to end the topic with a Superhero Day where we can dress up as our favourite superhero!



Our topic next half term is 'Bright Lights, Big City.'



Year 2

This half term has been very messy! We have enjoyed our art topic 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures' using lots of things to make pictures including our feet!



We have also completed work in the style of Carl Warner using rice, pasta and lentils. Some of us made excellent pictures for homework too - thank you parents!



Year Groups

Year 3



This half term Year 3's topic has been 'God's and Mortals.' We have really enjoyed learning all about life in Ancient Greece. We have loved listening to a selection of Greek Myths and legends, our favourite is about Theseus and the Minotaur! To celebrate the end of our topic, we will be welcoming a very special visitor all the way from Ancient Greece!!



Year 4

Year 4 are thoroughly enjoying their topic - 'Blue Abyss'. We have been learning about the Great Barrier Reef, food chains and how sperm whales' oil was used for lighting lamps.

We have been on a fantastic trip to The Captain Cook Museum in Stewart Park, where we looked at specimens of a colossal squid and created large fish sculptures.

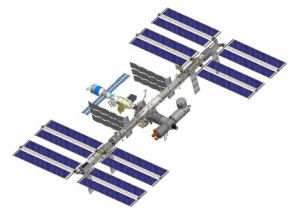


Year 5

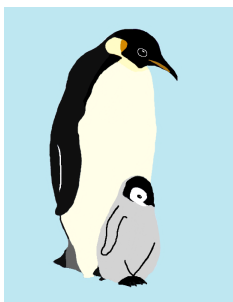
Year 5 are enjoying the 'Star Gazers' topic. We have been busy recording our questions to Tim Peake and have entered a competition as part of 'Cosmic Classroom' to hopefully win a live link up with the English Astronaut on the International Space Station!

We are looking forward to the Star Lab visiting school on Monday 1st February.

All this half term, Year 5 have been busy taking part in Bikeability and encouraging pupils to travel safely on our roads.



Year 6



Year 6 have been working on our current topic, 'Frozen Kingdom.'

We've discovered the polar regions and the animals that lived there.

We've tracked the journey of Ernest Shackleton to the Antarctic aboard the Endeavour.

We are also working extra hard for our SATS in May!

Extended Services News

After School Clubs

The new After School Programme started again last week with some new activities for pupils from Year 1-Year 6. Activities include drama, multi-sports, gymnastics, Maths Games Club, Martial Arts and football. Please ensure that your child has a place on any of the clubs by checking the lists which are on display in the main entrance. If your child's name does not appear on the list it means that on this occasion the club is full and your child will have been placed on a waiting list.



New clubs for next half term include Cinema Club and Glee Club. Look out for letters to sign up after February half term.

LEGO Robot Day



We are hosting the first LEGO Robot Day for schools on Friday 26th February. Pupils and staff from Green Lane, Abingdon, Chandlers Ridge, St. Clares, Archibald, Linthorpe, Pallister Park and Sacred Heart will be joining Year 5 pupils to design, build and programme EV3's using LEGO Robotics and taking part in competitions throughout the day. Children and staff are looking forward to a jam packed schedule of learning and fun!

Children's University

Children are busy collecting hours of learning in their Children's University Passports as they take part in activities outside of the classroom including after schools clubs, local sports clubs and dance schools and by visiting local attractions such as the Dorman Museum, MIMA, the Neptune Centre and much more!!

Children receive certificates of achievement for 30 hours (bronze), 65 hours (silver) and 100 hours (gold) and are invited with their families to a formal cap and gown style graduation ceremony.

If your child would like to be involved in the Children's University please contact Karla on 01642 244961 or email aykarla.huddart@ayresome.net

Parent Classes and Workshops at the ACE Centre

If you have a child who attends our nursery or under Two's Provision at Park House and you would like to support their learning please come along to the 'Early Words Together' Workshop on a Monday afternoon at the ACE Centre with Mrs Harrington from 2.00 p.m.- 3.00 p.m.



Join us for a fun filled energetic Zumba Class for ladies every Tuesday morning at 9:15 a.m. at the ACE Centre. The class is lots of fun and ladies of all different fitness levels can attend.

Would you like to learn English so that you can support your child's learning as well as enhance your own education? Please get in touch to put your name down for enrolment for the new English Classes for Beginners which will start again after February half term at the ACE Centre.

For information on Adult Learning, Parent Classes, After School Clubs or any Extended Services information please contact Karla Huddart on 01642 244961 or email aykarla.huddart@ayresome.net



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Year 2

Spruce: Omar A-H,
Oliver C,
Junaid W,
Aleena Al
Isha M,
Paige F,
Harley W.

Pine: Husna G,
Thomas E,
Alexander R,
Amber W,
Sky B,
Robert D,
Abdullateef AGA.

Larch: Zaid N,
Hosna B,
Saeed S,
Grace C,
Usef R.

Year 3

Beech: Michael A,
Tianna T,
Jayden M,
Yaseen H,
Anisa M,
Benash H,
Adi A.

Cedar: Eiman S,
Vasile C,
Ibrahim M,
Harrison N,
Kristian C,
Hafsah P.,

Maple: Mahamud A,
Ellie C,
Jason H,
Jack M,
Siam R
Ellie C,
Vanessa P,
Elisabeth P .

Year 4

Hawthorn: Thandeka N,
Tillie C,
Aria A,
Ashley J,
Abigail O'B-R,
Delia B,
Sihrah A.

Rowan: Nazish N,
Andrej K,
Anabel O,
Kenzie J,
Daniela K,
Aamina B,
Umar N.

Juniper: Karl J,
Aman S,
Finley H,
Lina B,
Rene D,
Leon O.



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Year 5

Birch: Atif M,
Rehan K,
Sajid K,
Sienna C.

Hickory: Ahmad W,
Kelly C,
Tiana J,
Morgan M-S,
Sultan M,
Habiba Y.

Yew: Larisa-Lubirea E,
Halima K,
Nazzer H.

Year 6

Poplar: Teigan C,
Kayhan K,
Aaliyah G,
Jay H,
Inayah H,
Haseeb A.

Oak: Conner F,
Eva R,
Nikolas B,
Drew B,
Suliaman H,
Rahim U,
Ellis L.

Aspen: Jack T,
Yusra S,
Danny A,
Aisha H,
Daniel F,
Aland G.

Acorns:

Mahmoud K,
Adam A,
Aqsa S,
Carlton R,
Laveeza M,
Hane A,
Radko G.

Information

Term Dates and Holidays

February Half Term

Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February.
School re-opens on Monday 22nd February.

Easter Break

Last day at school is Thursday 24th March
School closed on Friday 25th March to Friday 8th April.
School re-opens on Monday 11th April.

Bank Holiday

School closed on Monday 2nd May.
School re-opens on Tuesday 3rd May.

May Half Term

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June.
PD Day Monday 6th June. School is closed to pupils.
School re-opens on Tuesday 7th June.

End of Summer Term

Last day at school is Wednesday 20th July.
School closed on Thursday 21st July for the summer break.

School Uniform News

Dear Parents, please be aware that Ayresome will be changing our uniform provider in the coming weeks. The new firm will Motif8 and they are based in Thornaby, Stockton on Tees.



We are moving to a cashless system and this change will allow parents to order online and have the items delivered to school free for collection. Further details will follow on how and when you can place an order.

