



The Saints Federation

'Shine as lights in the world.' Philippians 2:15

Newsletter

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All Saints

In Dragonflies we have enjoyed preparing a vegetable plot in the school garden. We have observed and recorded how our potatoes and runner beans grow from seeds. This week we planted out the flowers which the children had chosen for the bee-friendly area of the garden. We are currently in the process of designing and making a scarecrow to keep our plants safe from birds and slugs!! In our English lessons, we have learnt about story features in the text 'Owl Babies.' We tried to use the same features for our own story writing. This week we made a nest for an owlet. In maths, we have all enjoyed learning about money. We can recognise and use most coins and notes but any real-life experiences of using money at home would be great. The new roof on the outdoor area is amazing and we put the roof to the test yesterday, in the torrential rain!

In Asteroids we have been learning how to write formal and informal letters based on the spy and action genre. We will be reading Alex Rider, Storm Breaker for the rest of the term and who knows, we may be inspired to join MI5. In maths we have been developing our knowledge of multiplication and the use of times tables in various reasoning and problem-solving activities. Year 6 have been working on a group project which is helping them to use a range of mathematical skills within a set context.

In history we are continuing to learn about crime and punishment through the ages and have realised that there were many bizarre rules and regulations in Roman and Anglo-Saxon times, which may have involved the loss of limbs. We are all very grateful that things have changed. In PE we are all enjoying invasion games and in PSHE we have been thinking about how we are special as individuals.

D-Day was an especially poignant and special day which saw the children learning about and commemorating an extremely important day in history. The medals the children designed and created highlighted what they had learnt and they were keen to share their knowledge during our Federation assembly.

Hapton

We have had an incredibly busy fortnight in the Rockets class. In English, we have been exploring the genre of 'spy fiction' through studying our class novel, Stormbreaker. We explored what it takes to be a spy and have written a persuasive letter to enrol into MI6. In maths, we have been developing our statistics through interpreting various charts, drawing line graphs and drawing pie charts. In Science, we further investigated the digestive system by modelling how food is digested and ultimately turns into poo - a great hands-on session for all of the Rockets! Last week we considered the importance of looking after our planet on World Environment Day.

After a much-enjoyed half term, the Ladybirds have been as busy as ever! In maths, we have been using our addition and subtraction skills to learn how to make amounts of money using both coins and notes and give the correct change. In English, we have re-written the story 'Owl Babies' by challenging ourselves to use brackets and inverted commas. We enjoyed working with the Rockets to create eco art during our World Environment Day celebrations and in DT, we have begun to design and make our very own scarecrows.

St Andrew's

In Saturflies we have enjoyed exploring our new book Owl Babies by Martin Waddell. Last week, we wrote new versions of the story. This week we have been busy making nests for the owls and also owl biscuits. We have written explanation texts and instructions. In maths, we have had fun learning about money. We have used our own toy shop and ice cream shop to help us identify, compare and add coins and notes. We have also been learning lots about different habitats, plants and the Olympics.

Comellites class have been really getting enthralled by our new class novel, 'Stormbreaker' leading to lots of predictions and hypotheses about what might happen next. This has led to some really good letter writing, using both a formal and an informal tone. In maths there has been a real focus on times tables, looking at improving the speed of recall of multiplication facts. Times Table Rockstars continues to be hit – our fastest individual average recall time is 1.17 per question! The class have been preparing for the rescheduled Sports Day, practicing lots of athletic activities from running, to jumping, to throwing. It has been pleasing to see the improvement of techniques over time.

Sports days

What a fantastic week we've had across the Federation for our annual Sports Days. On Wednesday, our pupils at Hapton had a fun-filled morning of sports and on Thursday our pupils at St. Andrews enjoyed taking part in their Sports Day. All of our pupils really enjoyed working together in teams and were extremely supportive of one another. Both schools began with a carousel of events: the javelin, bean bag throwing, penalty shootout and standing long jump. These events were followed by more traditional races: the egg and spoon, team relay and the sack race. (The children at Hapton thoroughly enjoyed Mr Bond joining in with their sack race too!) At St. Andrews all of the children took home a rosette for taking part - thank you to Imogen and Grace's Grandma for donating these.

Hapton results:

1. TEAM A 404
2. TEAM B 397
3. TEAM D 388
4. TEAM C 382

St. Andrews results:

1. RED 924
2. GREEN 904
3. YELLOW 876
4. BLUE 86

Save the Date – Federation

Term 6

- 26.06.2024 Years R,1,2 & 3 Federation Trip to Gressenhall
- 28.06.2024 Federation summer picnic - 2.15pm each site
- 10.07.2024 Federation Trip Sainsbury Centre
- 11.07.2024 Leavers Church Services - 09:15 - St Andrew's
- 11.07.2024 Leavers Church Services - 14:30 - All Saints
- 12.07.2024 Leavers Church Services - 09:15 - Hapton
- 19.07.2024 Last day of Academic year**

Attendance Matters!

	Number of pupils with 100% attendance	Whole school attendance
Hapton	2	95.00%
All Saints	5	97.91%
St Andrew's	1	96.63%
Whole Federation	8	96.37%



"It was such a fun day."

"My favourite was the sack race."



Terrific Team Work!



Pupil Safety

A gentle reminder that children remain the responsibility of parents and carers until the gates open at 8.40 and should not be dropped at school before this time. At the beginning and end of the day, children should be supervised where the traffic is moving and parents are dropping and collecting children. We appreciate your support in keeping our children safe.