



Live To Learn. Learn To Grow

Newsletter
March 2022

March has been another very exciting month and lots of things have happened across the school. It is lovely to be able to share these events and updates with you in our monthly Newsletter. Please also visit our website which is updated every Friday to watch the Learning Power Videos, Performance Poetry and see our Learners of the Week.

Visitors in School

Mrs Rimmer, the RE Lead, organised for each class to have a visit from a Faith Visitor this term to enable them to understand and respect other Religious beliefs and practices as well as ask questions to a specialist of that Faith. Year 1 and Year 2 learnt about Judaism, Year 3 and Year 4 about Sikhism and Year 5 and Year 6 about Buddhism. The visitors were very knowledgeable and brought objects and images to share. All the learners showed respect and their behaviour was commended.

Year 1 had a visit from Jungle Gym as part of their Science Unit on animals and he brought in some reptiles and small mammals. Mrs Shah brought in her pet parrot and Mrs Rimmer's Mum came in with her Chihuahuas.

Year 4 had a visit from a Victorian Workshop group and thoroughly enjoyed the role play activities to get a real feel for what it would have been like to be a child in Victorian Britain.



School Advisor Visit

Our School Advisor – Graeme Lucas – visited school again on the 23rd March to meet with our Computing, Art, DT and Music Leads. Graeme praised the confidence with which they spoke about their subjects, the curriculum, content, sequencing and approaches to teaching and was highly impressed. These were the positive comments reported:

- Long Term Plans and School Progression Maps show a clear and cohesive curriculum structure, with learners developing a set of skills, knowledge and vocabulary that builds clearly - both across year groups and across school.
- All plans shown demonstrate a whole school view - taking into account the EYFS and how learning at this Key Stage feeds into the National Curriculum outcomes.
- It is clear that the Subject Leads of all subjects have strong subject knowledge and a firm understanding of their subjects.
- The levels of training in place for Subject Leads and class teachers is a strength.
- Cross-curricular links – the leaders have adopted a pragmatic approach to linking aspects of the curriculum. However, subjects are taught discretely and this helps learners to understand the differences in these disciplines

The Advisor met with a group of learners from both Year 3 and Year 1. He reported that:

- Learners were fully engaged and happy to talk about their learning and their school.
- Learners in Y3 spoke articulately about content and skills they have been taught.
- Learners spoke highly of all subjects, but particularly wanted to tell the Adviser about Computing, Art and History.
- Learners spoke highly of how their teachers at Marsden support them with learning.



Our Charity Work

On Friday March 18th we took part in Red Nose Day and learners and staff came to school in non-uniform. We raised £353 to send to the charity. Learners had the opportunity to buy a Red Nose and these sold out quickly. Each class had a competition to guess the number of items in a class Jar and there was a winner in each class for whoever got the closest.

Sporting Competitions

On Monday the 21st March, ten learners from Year 5 and 6 represented Marsden Primary in a Pendle School Football Competition at FisherMore High School. Marsden triumphed in their first game by showing great determination and perseverance towards the opposition as the game ended 2-1. Confidence levels were then high for Team Marsden who went on to win yet another match followed by a loss and a draw - taking away seven points from a possible twelve.

Sports Coach Amy Said “I couldn’t be more proud of this group. They represented Marsden brilliantly. They displayed motivation, team work, sportsmanship and creativity on the football pitch. We were also one of the only schools who had a girl in our team and Zaina was a stand out performer during the event.” Well done to all involved and thank you to the staff who accompanied them to the event in their own time.

Corridor Displays

Each half term we update our Corridor Displays and the theme this term has been our English Unit. The displays showcase the learning across the English Unit for this term in all Phases – Reading / Gathering Content / Writing. The Year Groups had the following focus:

Year 1: Traditional Tales

Year 2: Story with a Theme

Year 3: Adventure Stories

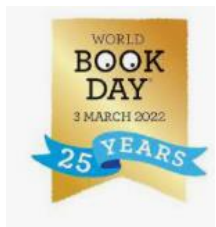
Year 4: Imaginary Worlds

Year 5: Science Fiction

Year 6: Classic Fiction



World Book Day

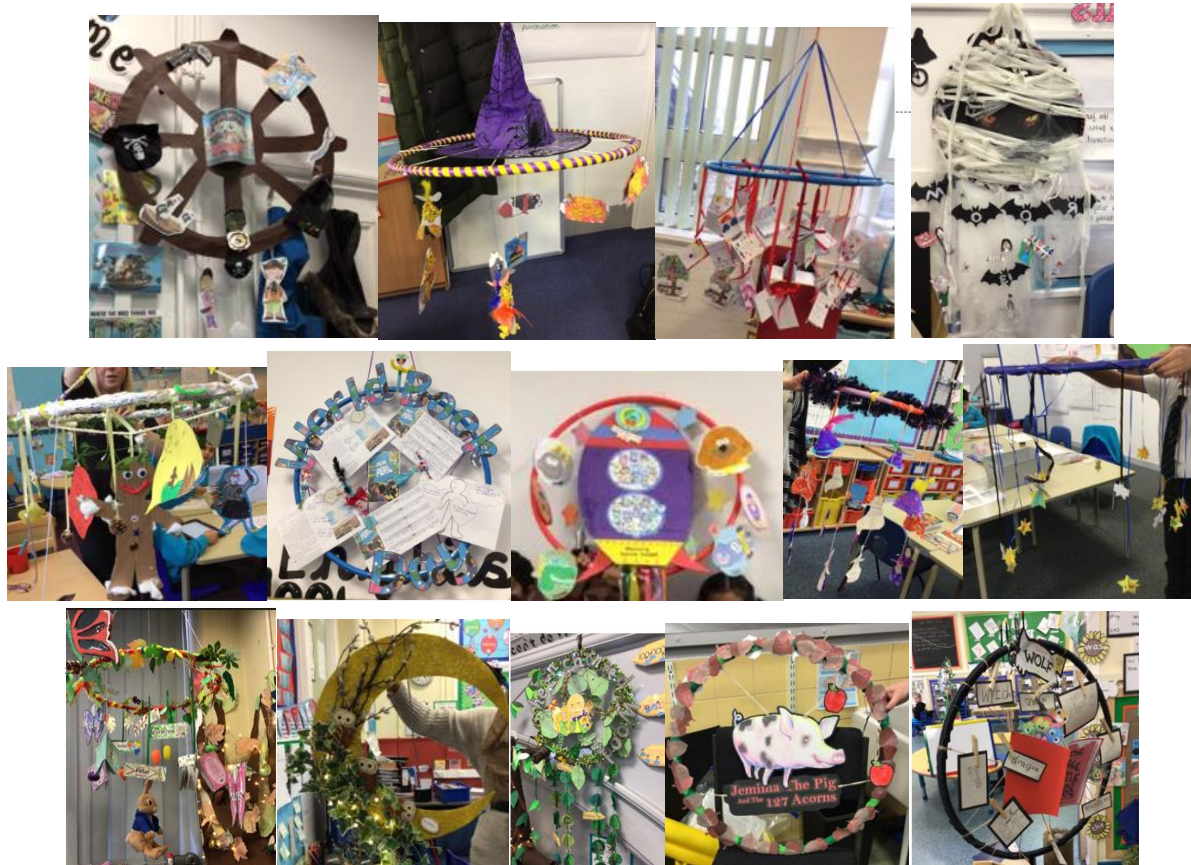


World Book Day was on the 3rd March and the theme was 'Bedtime Stories.' Learners and staff came into school on this day in their pyjamas or lounge wear. During the day, there were planned activities, a Parent Workshop on Zoom to reinforce the importance of sharing stories with children at home. In addition to this, hula hoops and craft materials were purchased for each class to create a 'Book Inspired Hoop' to put in their Reading Corner. As you can see from the photos there were some amazing hoops created. Can your child spot the one from their class? The hoops were judged by Mrs Delemere and the winners were Nursery, 1S, 3M and 5S.

Please can all parents continue to complete the fortnightly learning task for a parent, sibling or relative to read or listen to a short bed time story with their child / children. Please can Parents continue to send into school or



upload a picture of themselves reading their bedtime story as these are being displayed in the Reading Corner in class.



Upcoming SATS and Year Group Tests

Year 6 SATs tests will take place on the week commencing the 9th May and Year 2 SATs on the week commencing the 16th May. It is important that learners in these year groups keep on top of all Home Learning and read daily at home. More information will be provided in the April Newsletter. On the week commencing the 6th June Year 1 will sit the Phonic Screening Check and Year 4 the Multiplication Check. Please can parents of children in these year groups keep on top of the Phonic and times table practise. Over 40 parents attended the Year 1 Phonic Workshops and will be receiving a weekly Phonic Update Sheet containing the phonemes (sounds) covered so far, the new phoneme with a list of real and non-real words and a phoneme spotter. Please play the games from the Workshop and practise the flash cards daily.

Holiday Clubs

Over the two week holiday, the following Easter Holiday activities are being offered by Burnley Football Club. Please contact them directly if you are interested.

AGES 5 - 12

EASTER Holiday CAMPS

THE LEISURE BOX - Week 1, 4th - 8th April
 Standard Week **£60** Standard Day **£16**
 Extended Week **£80** Extended Day **£20**

THE LEISURE BOX - Week 2, 11th - 14th
 Standard Week **£50** Standard Day **£16**
 Extended Week **£65** Extended Day **£20**

WORSTHORNE - Week 2, 11th - 14th April
 Standard Week (4 Days) **£50**
 Per Day **£16**

STANDARD 9.00AM till 3.30PM EXTENDED 8.00AM till 5.00PM

THE LEISURE BOX, NORTHLIGHT, GLEN WAY, BRIERFIELD, BB9 5NH
WORSTHORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL, BROWNSIDE RD, WORSTHORNE, BURNLEY, BB10 3LR
Extended day option not available at Worsthorne

For more information for this event, please contact Chanelle on chanelle.mcmanus@burnleyfc.com

BURNLEY FC IN THE COMMUNITY

EASTER Holiday CAMPS

4th - 14th April 2022

Burnley FC prizes to be won and a collectable medal for everyone who attends the full week!

THE LEISURE BOX

10%

Sibling Discount
 Please contact Chanelle for discount code

Goodbyes

This half term we said Goodbye to Mr Ayub Malik who has been at the school for 17 years. He has left to spend more time with his family. We wish him the very best and thank him for everything he has done whilst at the school. He will be greatly missed!

Parking

Thank you to all the parents who drive to collect their children from school who park safely away from the school gates, yellow lines and junctions. It is vital that parents park appropriately to avoid causing both an obstruction and danger to pedestrians. The police are monitoring the situation regularly and will issue fines if they spot any offences.

Finally

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any concerns please contact us as we will endeavour to support you and your children all we can.

Have a lovely half term holiday. School closes Friday April 1st at 3:20pm and reopens on Tuesday 19th April.