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Lionwood Infant and Nursery School Newsletter



Friday 16th February 2024

Attendance

12/02/24 to 16/02/24

Cherry – 97 %

Apple - 95%

Pear - 96%

Holly - 93%

Maple - 93%

Elm - 97%

Willow - 96%

Whole School

= 95%

Target = 95%

To all our families,

The children have all worked so hard this half term, right up to the last day. I have seen some amazing work from every year group this week. Sculptures in year 2, writing in year 1 and baking in EYFS.

Everyone enjoyed the pancakes on Tuesday. There were lots of faces covered with chocolate sauce!

We also enjoyed welcoming families in to our Maths cafes.

Next half term is very short, but we have managed to pack it full of activities for you to enjoy. Please check the dates to see upcoming events.

**Have a wonderful half term,
Ms Thorpe
and the Lionwood team**



Nursery - Sashtikha and Askaraa

Pear Class - King

Apple Class - Salah

Holly Class - Tyler-James

Maple Class - Arlo

Elm Class - Yug

Willow Class - Aria

CONGRATULATIONS!

A very big WELL DONE to these children for their hard work and commitment to their learning. We want to take this opportunity to say how proud we are of them.



CURRICULUM UPDATES

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning about spring festivals and traditions. On Shrove Tuesday we made and ate pancakes. After helping to make the batter using a hand whisk, the children were able to choose their own toppings. They also practised using cutlery when cutting up their pancakes. We listened to the story 'The Runaway Pancake' and sang a new song. The following day, one of the children asked if we could have more pancakes but we decided to use the leftover ingredients to make cupcakes with raisins. To mark Lunar New Year, we learnt how people prepare their houses by cleaning them before decorating them. We found out red is a lucky colour and that children receive money in red envelopes. We watched a shadow puppet film about the animals from the Chinese Zodiac and made Chinese dragon stick puppets. As we painted dragons, we listened to Chinese music too. Today we earned another stamp for our Lionwood Learning passport when we tried food from another culture in our Chinese restaurant.



Reception

Lots of exciting learning in Reception this week. Thank you to all the parents who came to our Maths Cafe, the children loved showing you all they have learnt so far. On Tuesday, we made pancakes. The children measured out the ingredients themselves and mixed them all together. Of course, they loved eating the pancakes too! They have also enjoyed finding out about how people around the world celebrate the Lunar New Year, they especially liked our food tasting, trying noodles and prawn crackers. We also drew dragons, made lanterns and listened to the story of the Chinese zodiac.



Year 1



This week, the children have enjoyed exploring different ways of joining card including a tab join, flange join, and an L-brace join. They have practised these joins and then have designed their own freestanding structure based on some examples that we looked at in class. The children loved taking part in the maths cafe earlier this week, it was great to see them sharing their learning with their grown-ups – we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! In science, the children finished off their learning about materials by playing the 'What material am I?' game. They had to ask questions about the properties of the material to guess correctly.

Year 2

We have been very busy in Year 2 this week. In English we have completed lots of different short burst writing activities, focusing on the structure of sentences. In Maths we have been using our methods to solve different calculation problems. We had a great time at our Year 2 Reading Cafe and the children enjoyed the activities linked to the book "Jim and the Beanstalk". In music the children came up with their own rhythm grids using crochets and quavers and sang "Grandma Rap" for the last time in this unit. In Art the children evaluated their Anthony Gormley inspired sculptures and discussed what they would do next time. We hope you have a lovely half term!



Dates for your diary

19th – 23rd February – Half Term holiday

6th March – Reading Wednesday (until 9am)

7th March – World Book Day

18th & 20th March – Parent's evenings

21st March – Year 1 trip Stranger's Hall Trip

22nd March – Year 1 trip Wroxham trip

27th March – Last day of term

Join us for **FREE**
family events this
spring 2024



NWT Sweet Briar Marshes

A new space for nature and people in our city

Kinship: nature poetry for families

Join Daisy Henwood (Norfolk and Norwich Festival) and Norfolk Wildlife Trust for a creative and playful activity about expressing your connection to nature in whatever way you like!

The Phoenix Centre

132A Mile Cross Rd,
Norwich NR3 2LD

Monday 19 February

10:30am – 12:30pm

No need to book

Baseline Centre

65–67 Knowland Grove,
Norwich NR5 8YD

Tuesday 20 February

10:30am – 12:30pm

No need to book



The udderly a-graze-ing cows of Sweet Briar

Meet the cows that help us make Sweet Briar special.

Saturday 2 March

10:30am – 12:30pm

Watch the stars with Mark Thompson

Starry nights at Sweet Briar Marshes.

Saturday 16 March

7 – 9pm

Tracks, trails, hoofs and tails

Join us on our tracks and trails walk at NWT Sweet Briar Marshes.

Saturday 30 March

10:00am – 12 noon

Marvellous minibeasts

Join us as we forage for minibeasts at Sweet Briar Marshes.

Tuesday 2 April

10:30am – 12:30pm

Egg-static about bird nests

Join us for a fun-filled morning learning about bird nests and getting egg-cited about our feathered friends!

Wednesday 10 April

10:30am – 12:30pm

Spectacular spirals

Come and create some wild art all about spirals!

Wednesday 29 May

10:30am – 12:30pm

IMPORTANT Food Vouchers

For those families who receive the government food vouchers each month. We have been informed these will end in **March 2024**.

Headlice



We have had a report of head lice in school. Please make sure you check and treat your child when needed.

For more information please see the NHS website below:
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



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