



COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week Ending 7th May 2021

www.cooperslane.lewisham.sch.uk

Twitter: @CoopersLaneSch



We hope you enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and managed to make the most of the extra day at home together. It's been another great week at Coopers Lane, so read on to find out what's been happening in each year group.

We continue to have positive news concerning the pandemic, with infection rates continuing to fall in Lewisham and around the country, which is fantastic. Hopefully we will be able to welcome you back at Coopers Lane for school events before too long.

Have a lovely weekend.



DR BIKE is back!

Dr Bike will be visiting our school on Thursday 20th May. Any bikes registered on the day will get a free health check. Dr Bike can accommodate up to 30 bikes in a day, so spaces are limited. Please bring your bike to school at drop off time and park it in the bike racket the top of the Key Stage 1 playground. Ms McIlroy, one of our learning mentors, will be there to register you. Your bike will spend the day here and will need to be collected between 3:00pm and 3:30pm.



Respect



Kindness

Please remember to **demonstrate our school values** at all times. Be respectful and join the line at drop off and pick up times. Some parents and carers are either pushing in the line or asking other parents to let them in at the front of the line, which is not acceptable.

Please don't do this, **be respectful** of the people waiting patiently in line.

Be kind!

NURSERY

This week has been very exciting; we had a special delivery of tiny caterpillars! We read the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle and learned how a caterpillar transforms into a butterfly. We enjoyed threading cereal hoops onto pipe cleaners to make caterpillars (it was a real challenge not to eat them!), and we also created our own butterfly lifecycle diagrams using different shaped pasta. We are looking forward to seeing how our little caterpillar friends grow and change in the coming weeks.



RECEPTION

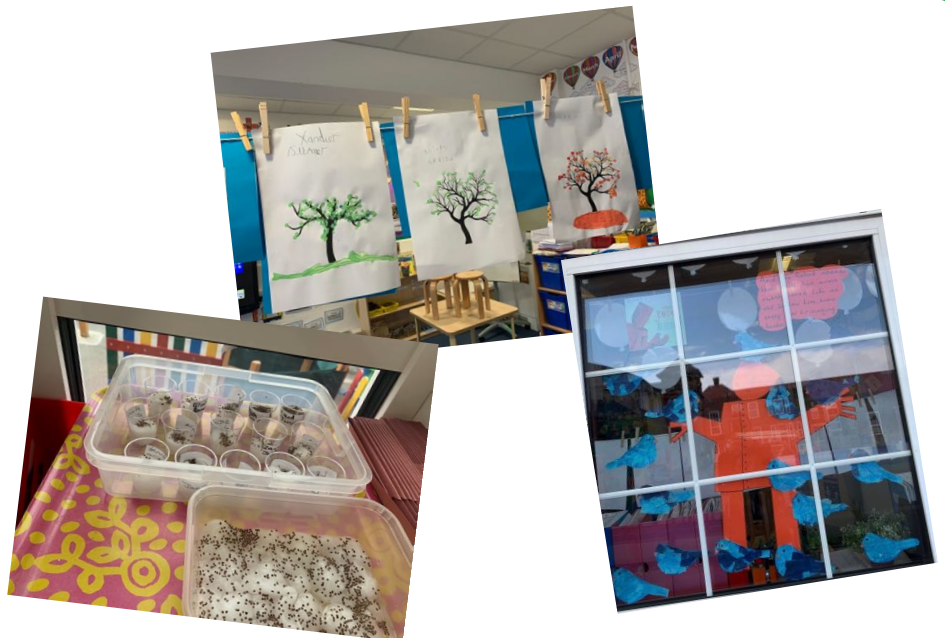
This week we really enjoyed our first day back at Forest school this term. The children had great fun den building and working as a team. Supporting each other and working as a team, helped us to be successful. We're very proud of the dens we built.



YEAR 1

We have been very busy this week:

- *Planting cress seeds and keeping a cress diary
- * Making bluebird collages for our class story of 'The Robot and the Bluebird'
- * Learning about the changes that happen to deciduous trees in the different seasons



YEAR 2

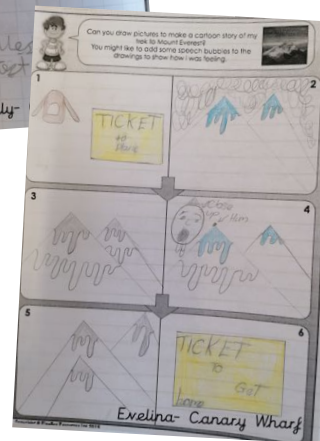
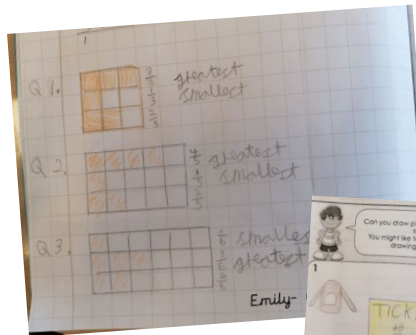
Year 2 have been very busy this week! In Science we have been learning about plants and how plants absorb water from the soil. We carried out an experiment with food colouring and celery to see water being absorbed through the stem over several days.

In PSHE, we have been learning how to keep safe by washing our hands. We used water and glitter (biodegradable) to represent the germs and washing them away.



YEAR 3

We've worked really hard this week and shown great focus and determination. In maths, we've been learning to add fractions, using the bar model to help us. In geography, we learnt about Mount Everest and drew a cartoon strip about a boy's journey up the mountain. We can share with you lots of interesting facts about Mount Everest and the Himalayas!



YEAR 4

This week Year 4 have revisited traditional fairytales, in preparation for their learning about 'fairytales with a twist' next week. We read lots of examples and thought about the features they all share. We then created our own fairytales and performed them using puppets.



YEAR 5

Year 5 have read Beowulf, an epic Anglo-Saxon tale of good versus evil. We created our own story maps to help us retell the story and also learnt about what makes a good storyteller. We then sat in our story circles for a 'Storytelling Extravaganza' and loved listening to our friends performing this gory tale!



YEAR 6

This week year 6 have been learning about evolution. We found out about Charles Darwin and his work on the Galapagos Islands studying finches.

We decided to investigate why different finches had different types of beak. We conducted an experiment in which we tried to pick up different seeds with different types of pincers/tweezers. This helped us to understand how animals adapt to their environments and evolve over time in order to survive.



PLEASE BE SAFE

Remember to walk through the playground at drop off and pick up times.

The children must not ride their scooter or bike while crossing the playground.

Please help them to take responsibility by reminding them to walk with their scooter or bike.

