



COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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I hope you all had a lovely half term break and enjoyed the time at home with your families. We certainly had amazing weather, so I hope you made the most of it and spent time outside enjoying the sunshine.

It's been a lovely week in school, with lots of exciting new topics starting, as you will see below. I'm very proud of the children for the enthusiasm they have shown towards learning this week. As summer is now upon us, please make sure your child has sun cream applied before coming to school, has a hat with them and continues to bring a water bottle every day.

Have a great weekend.



Congratulations to the boy's football team who won all their games and the final at the recent cup championship on Blackheath, to become cup champions. We're very proud of the team for showing such a love of football and for supporting each other and demonstrating amazing team work.



SAVE OUR TREES

When they noticed a sign from the council saying that a tree on a local street was to be cut down, Benjamin and Elodie decided to take action! They made posters to put on the tree asking for it to be saved and encouraged their friends to do the same. A local councillor has stepped in and halted the plans for now while this is investigated. What a great example of children having a voice and taking action. There may be a good reason for removing this tree, but we think it's important to ask questions in situations like this, in order to be more informed.



NURSERY

In a week of discovery and experimentation, the children have created some wondrous examples of independent work. Whether creating designs of transportation or demonstrating the science of physics when balancing construction blocks, the children continue to impress the team with their imaginations. We are also proud of the way the children have embraced nature with their work on caterpillars and growing seeds.



RECEPTION

This week in Reception, we have been making the most of the glorious weather! We've been exploring how water travels, playing with light and colour and climbing trees in the forest school. Let's hope the sun is here to stay!



YEAR 1

This week in Science, we have been recapping Materials - naming them, looking at their properties and carrying out investigations. We made our predictions and then tested different materials - plastic, cardboard, tissue, fabric, sponge - to find out if they are absorbent or waterproof.



YEAR 2

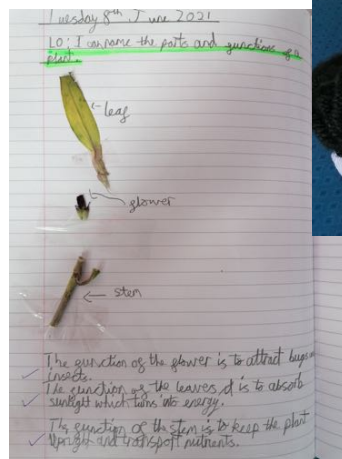
In science, we completed a treasure hunt around the playground. At each station there was information about a stage in a plant life cycle and a clue for the next place. We collected stickers at each station to complete the life cycle and we discussed it back in class.

In English, we have been creating our own revolting recipes. We really enjoyed being creative and a little bit silly with these designs! Yuck!



YEAR 3

Year 3 are rested after a busy half term and raring to go for their final half term of the year! We have been learning about Buddhism in RE and practised some meditation. In science, we've started our new topic 'Plants' and explored the different parts of a plant. In music, we're continuing composing music using the glockenspiels.



YEAR 4

This week Year 4 have been making the most of the sunshine and outdoor learning. We spent some of our afternoons outside taking part in team building games such as the parachute and 4 square as part of our PSHE circle time. We had lots of fun in the sun!



YEAR 5

Today was our Year 5 Launch Day for our new topic, The British Empire. First we learnt about all the delicious foods that we now eat because they come from countries that were in the Empire.

We had to guess which country we thought they came from and then tasted each one; we tasted bananas, rice, chapati, mango and sweet potato and sniffed a tea bag!



We then learnt about the main events in the era of the British Empire and created our own timeline of the events, using cubes and counters to represent the years.

Finally we made our own globes and coloured in the countries that were ruled by Britain. It was a fantastic day and we learnt so much about our new topic!



YEAR 6

Year 6 had great fun learning about the 'Suffragette' movement this week. We used primary and secondary sources to discover what life was like for women in the Victorian era and why they were desperate for things to change. We looked at the work of Emmeline Pankhurst and Emily Davison and discussed the sacrifices they made to fight for what they believed in. We then decided to have a protest of our own! After making banners and sashes, we marched around the school demanding that women have the right to vote. We re-enacted Emily Davison being trampled by the king's horse and some of us were even 'chained' to the fence



BUCKET BIKE TRIAL

Bucket Bike Trial from Lewisham Family Cycling Library
10th June 2021

Cooper's Lane Primary School has arranged sessions for families with young children to try out cycling equipment from Lewisham Family Cycling Library.

A family can book a free 20-minute session, with pride of place being an electric cargo bike - put your kids in the front box and tackle those Lewisham hills! There are 5 slots available and only one household per slot. Please register below for your place.

The session will start and end at Cooper's Lane Primary School. They will have experienced instructors to guide you. You will have the opportunity to practise in a safe environment and chat to them about what cycling equipment could suit your family best.

You should be a competent bike rider and please bring your own cycle helmets.

To book a session, please follow the link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/18-june-lewishamfamily-cycling-library-workshop-at-coopers-lane-primary-tickets-156659140707>

Lewisham Family Cycling Library was set up Climate Action Lewisham and Lewisham Cyclists. For more information, please visit:

<https://climateactionlewisham.org/lewisham-family-cycling-library/>

