

MENTAL HEALTH

WEEK

COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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LET'S CONNECT

This week is Children's Mental Health Week and the theme this year is 'Let's Connect'. The children have been thinking about making meaningful connections. Children's Mental Health Week is supported by Place2Be, so we started our special week with a wonderful assembly from Ive, our Place2Be leader. She encouraged us all to think about the meaningful connections we have with other people, ourselves and our environment. When we have healthy connections – to family, friends and others – it can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. You can continue this great work at home too, as Place2Be have lots of activities on their website, which you can access here:

Children's Mental Health Week - free activties and resources

It's been such a lovely week in school and I had an extra special treat, with two class assemblies to watch. Charing Cross class went first on Tuesday and put on a dazzling display all about Ancient Greece. Then on Wednesday, Angel class wowed us with their knowledge all

about Ancient Rome. I feel like I've been on a time travelling adventure - FABULOUS!

Have a fantastic half term holiday





UPCOMING DATES

February

22nd PTA AGM 7:45pm

March

8th World Book Day (New date)

7th Embankment Class Assembly 9th Green Park Class Assembly 16th Farringdon Class Assembly

20th Zones of Regulation Parent Presentation 9am

24th PTA Quiz & Pizza Night 29th-31st Y4 School Journey 30th Tower Hill Class Assembly

MORNING RIDE

Mr Hooper joined the Coopers Lane Bike Bus this morning for a lovely ride to school from Chinbrook Meadows. It's wonderful to see so many bikes filling the cycle racks in school, with so many children enjoying a green start to the day. With brighter mornings now, it's the perfect time to walk, scoot, wheel or cycle to school. Let's see if we can get the whole school active after half term!





NURSERY

This week we have been thinking about the differences between wild animals and farm animals. We have also been very creative, painting bright colourful pictures of our favourite animals. Gabreila painted a fish and Shelby painted a cat. The weather has been very cold and icy. George was fascinated with the ice melting on the ground. He said it looked like a river that was flowing. As you can see, the children are very happy playing with the ice.









RECEPTION

This week in Forest School we were happy to see the sun shining! We used butter, seed mix and pine cones to make our own bird feeders. We also enjoyed getting very muddy.











YEAR 1

This week we have really enjoyed orally rehearsing the story of the Three Little Pigs.

We had so much fun retelling the story through acting out in groups. Each of us played a character and acted in style by using our very own props and by using resources in our classrooms. During our continuous provision time, we wrote letters to the Big Bad Wolf! We had to make sure our letters were sealed tightly in envelopes and also made sure that we drew stamps onto the envelopes to ensure that our letters would reach him!

Have a look at our fantastic writing









YEAR 2

All of the adults are so proud of how well Year 2 represented Coopers Lane on our trip to the Horniman Museum. They were so sensible, responsible and loved learning all about animals and their habitats. The children had the opportunity to hold a shark's jaw and a walrus' tusk! In English, Year 2 laid out their adventure stories for Abe and Alba and, incredibly, the trail of stories led the two tiny people back into the story in which they belong; well done to all of the children for providing socks, biscuits and fantastic adventure stories!











YEAR 3

This week Year 3 have been very busy. We started off with Charing Cross' class assembly full of Greek drama and dancing the Macarena! In science we investigated how a solar eclipse occurs and we created our own version with chalk and sugar paper. As part of Mental Health Week we created paper chains to show how we feel connected to Coopers Lane.









YEAR 4

In Year 4 this week, we had our fabulous MUSIC DAY! We celebrated the achievements of the 'Amazing Egyptians' by learning a very groovy song. We also explored 20th century minimalist music inspired by the age of Akhenaten and his processions. After that we played drums, cymbals and glockenspiels to specific beats and performed them in a layered pyramid structure. It was AMAZING!



YEAR 5

In Year 5, we were lucky enough to have a visit from Luke Agbaimoni, a Catford based Photographer. He is known as The Tube Mapper, because he has taken photos of so many underground stations. He showed us how he creates different effects and then we had a go at taking photos of our own tube trying to think about symmetry, reflection and framing.









YEAR 6

Year Six have thoroughly enjoyed their topic this half term: The Industrial Revolution! As part of this topic, we have spent the last few weeks thinking about the jobs that children had to carry out including working in coal mines, factories and as chimney sweeps. We were appalled to discover the horrific and dangerous conditions that they had to work in and so we decided to write persuasive speeches to politicians to ask them to change the laws surrounding children in the workplace. This week we all presented our speeches to 'parliament' and we did an amazing job at putting across our ideas in a formal and polite manner.

