



COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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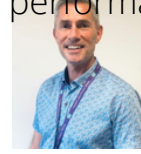


BRIGHTER DAYS

While standing on the school gate today, with the sunshine pushing through the clouds, singing out that spring is here, I couldn't help but reflect. This week marks three years since the start of the first Covid lockdown in the UK! I'm so thankful for the brighter days we now share.

The week started with a fantastic presentation to parents and carers by Charlie Pinel from Drumbeat School on the Zones of Regulation. The session was really informative and gave excellent ideas to put into practice at home in order to support your child's mental health. Don't worry if you missed the presentation in school, because we filmed it and will be making this available to everyone next week once it's been edited.

On Thursday, Farringdon class performed a wonderful class assembly, which was well attended by family and friends. Mrs Bonner also got to watch the fabulous performance and has been smiling ever since!



Have a lovely weekend.

GOOD LUCK



We say goodbye today to Mr Blackett, who has worked as a teaching assistant at Coopers Lane for a number of years now. During his time at Coopers Lane Mr Blackett has supported many

children across the school and we will be sad to see him leave us. We would like to wish him the best of luck as he starts a new chapter in a new city!
Good luck Mr Blackett

SWITCH OFF

This year, **Earth Hour** takes place between 8.30pm - 9.30pm on 25 March 2023 (that's tomorrow evening!). Since 2007, Earth Hour has been encouraging individuals from around the globe to **switch off their lights** to show symbolic support for the planet and to raise awareness of the environmental issues affecting it.

This is an opportunity for you to take this time to reflect on what nature means to you.

Why not join in this year and **switch off tomorrow night between 8:30-9:30pm**



NURSERY

Way back in September the children planted daffodil bulbs. They have watered them and looked after them ready for spring. Look at our daffodils now! The children are so proud to see some colour in the garden. This week we have been talking about shapes and their properties. They have found Circles, Squares and triangles from the provision in the class room. The children have been very imaginative and creative with their shapes



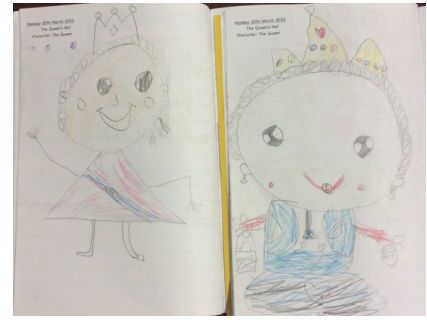
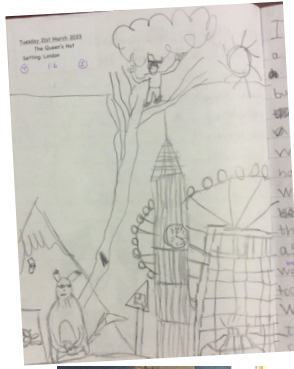
RECEPTION

We've been enjoying learning about growing this week. We planted our own cress seeds, using recycled pots and cotton wool. We also enjoyed using the saw in 'Forest School' to make our own wood cookies. This took lots of perseverance!



YEAR 1

This week Year 1 have had a fantastic time in drawing club reading 'The Queen's Hat' and drawing pictures of the Queen and famous London landmarks. Here are some of our drawings! Also, as a reward for earning so many Dojo dollars for following the school's values, we have all had the opportunity to come into school wearing our pyjama's. In Green Park, we even had popcorn, pizza and a film afternoon! We know that hard work pays off! What a great week!



YEAR 2

Year 2 were learning about Ancient Egypt in history this week. We learnt about pharaohs, gods and goddesses, pyramids and hieroglyphics. Using the net of a pyramid, we created our own 3D pyramids. In English we started reading a book called The Dark by Lemony Snicket. We created a conscience alley and tried to persuade the main character, Laszlo, to either enter or not enter the basement; we had to remember to be persuasive by including a reason why.



We have learnt all about the life cycle of plants in Science, from germination through to seed dispersal. We all planted a sweet pea seed and are hoping to see them start growing before the Easter holidays. As part of our project with The National Theatre, we have been looking in detail at the story of I Want My Hat Back. Charing Cross made these amazing hats to represent either the bear or the rabbit character. Finally, we have all been looking after our 'baby potatoes' and carefully made them each a home. Look at some of the creative designs - everything a baby potato could want!

YEAR 3

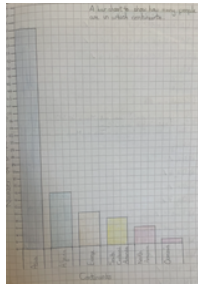


YEAR 4

Over the last half term, we have been learning about electricity in Science. We have learned how to create a simple circuit using batteries, wires and bulbs. Some of us even attached a motor and a buzzer. We also investigated which materials are insulators and conductors. As part of this, we made a human chain and tested which materials would allow electricity to run through them. We learned that humans are conductors!



In Maths some of us have been learning about Statistics and how to present our own data. This week we looked at the book 'If the World Were a Village', which is a gorgeous picture book. We collected data about the world population from one of the pages to use in maths. Some of us have been exploring fractions with Ms Caton and have been using concrete materials, such as fraction walls, to help us understand and recognise fractions. In Computing this week, we also had great fun learning how to control the spheroots. We found out how to program them to create a square and some of us even found out how to change the colour and add sound effects.



YEAR 5



YEAR 6

This week we learnt about Jewish Holy books, and we found out the Torah contains 613 commandments which Jews should follow when living their lives. We considered which rules we wanted to live our lives by and even had a go at writing some of our rules in Hebrew. In Science, we have been learning about the life and work of Carl Linnaeus who is famous for creating a system to classify plants and animals which we still use today.

