

# COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### HALF TIME



School finishes today for the half term break and we're now half way through the school year! This week we had visitors in school from Challenge Partners, who came to help us with a 3 day review. The review team was made up of the Coopers Lane leadership team and 3 senior leaders from other London schools (a head teacher, a deputy head and an assistant head.) and led by a lead reviewer who is also a lead Ofsted inspector. What stood out across the school is how well embedded our school values are and what excellent learning behaviour the children demonstrate in all areas of learning.

Strong, positive relationships ooze out of every classroom at Coopers Lane and there is extremely strong inclusive practice across the school. The main focus of our review was to look closely at our writing curriculum. We have been working hard over the past 12 months to strengthen our writing curriculum and this project will continue through this school year and beyond. During the review we saw the positive impact this is having on the children's progress in writing and we discussed the next steps in strengthening the writing curriculum even further. Collaborating with other school leaders in this way is really valuable and helps us to continually strengthen the provision for all children at Coopers Lane.

I hope that everyone has a lovely restful break next week and I look forward to the 'second half' when we return to school on Monday 19th February.

Have a lovely break.

# \*PTA costume collection\*

The PTA are collecting pre loved costumes & accessories suitable for our World Book Day sale.

We'd love if you could donate any unwanted costumes by \*23rd February\*. All costumes need to be complete and in good, clean condition.

Please drop off in the purple bucket in the school office.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### MARCH

5th Embankment Class Assembly 7th World Book Day (dress up) 13th & 14th Parents' Evenings 15th Red Nose Day - Discos 18th & 19th Y4 School Journey 20th Farringdon Class Assembly 26th Tower Hill Class Assembly 28th Last day of term

Easter Holidays 29th March - 12th April

Summer term Starts Monday 15th April



#### **NURSERY**

This week we have been celebrating Chinese New Year. The children helped change our role play area into a Chinese restaurant. They have loved making lanterns and dragon headbands. The best part for the children has been the noodles! They enjoyed eating them with vegetables. Yum, yum!





This week we have been learning about the 'Lunar New Year.' It's the year of the dragon. We learned about the different ways in which people celebrate and made (and ate!) our own stir-fried noodles. We took turns cutting the vegetables and went over to the kitchen to cook them in teams. We also celebrated the end of our 'People Who Help Us' topic where we had a 'career day' themed dress-up. We thought about what career we might like when we're older and it was wonderful to see all the different costumes that the children wore. We had police officers, hairdressers, firefighters, teachers - and even an astronaut!

#### RECEPTION







### YEAR 1

This week Year 1 have been building on their knowledge of materials by looking at the story of The Three Little Pigs. We tried building houses out of lolly sticks, straw and lego bricks. The straw house was too flimsy but the brick house was very sturdy indeed. We huffed and we puffed but we couldn't blow the Lego houses down! Scarlett and Suraya decided to make a home for some animals to keep them safe from the big, bad wolf.



#### YEAR 2

Year 2 had a successful trip to the Horniman Museum to learn more about animals and their habitats.

The children's behaviour was impeccable and they made all of the adults proud because of how well they represented Coopers Lane and showed our school values. In English, we've written powerful setting descriptions of the elephant graveyard scene from the Lion King using interesting adjectives, prepositions and conjunctions.



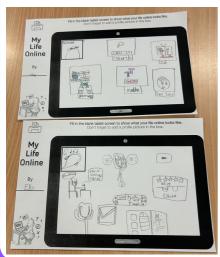








This week Year 3 have been busy learning about online safety for Safer Internet Day. We discussed how Digiduck could be kind to others online and the affect that being unkind would have on other's feelings. In our writing, we wrote odes to the rabbit as part of our I Want My Hat Back unit. We praised the rabbit for his cunningness and cheekiness.







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#### YEAR 4

Such a creative and experimental week up in Year 4! In Science we have been looking at how food moves through our digestive system using a pair of tights and some squashed banana! We also investigated which substances might decay our teeth by using egg shells and different liquids. Knightsbridge have been challenging themselves to get the most Maths challenge certificates in VIP assembly. Plus... we have our first Roman project. We can't wait to see the rest of the projects!

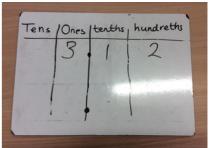


#### YEAR 5

Year 5 have had a thrilling week experimenting with decimals! Can you see which decimal numbers we have been making with objects? We had great fun learning about decimals in this practical way! We also learnt about how to find equivalent fractions and decimals. We loved using practical objects to bring maths to life.









## YEAR 6

This half term we have thoroughly enjoyed learning about our topic: The Industrial Revolution. We had the opportunity to demonstrate our learning about this period of history by answering the big question, "How did the Industrial Revolution change the world?" We worked in pairs or alone to create a poster to celebrate all of our learning and discuss the economic and technological changes of this era.

