

NURSERY

This week we have continued our theme of 'Growing' The children have been looking after the beans and have been watching them grow. We have also made some lovely pictures using the shapes we have been learning about (Circles, squares, triangles and rectangles).

The children enjoyed looking at the daffodils they've grown and then making, crating and painting daffodils to celebrate St David's day.

Look at Ethan with his helmet and hammer making the cement to repair the house.



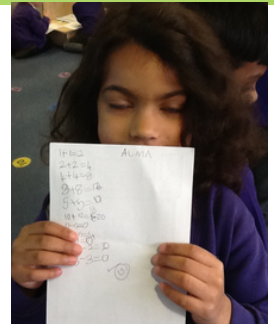
RECEPTION

This week in Reception we have had great fun at Forest school. We explored mixing colours using the tarpaulin. We used crayons to draw the bugs and flowers that we spotted blooming in our Forest school and finally we took time to relax and read with each other whilst outside.



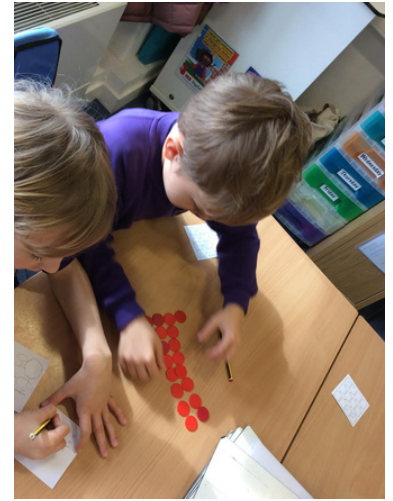
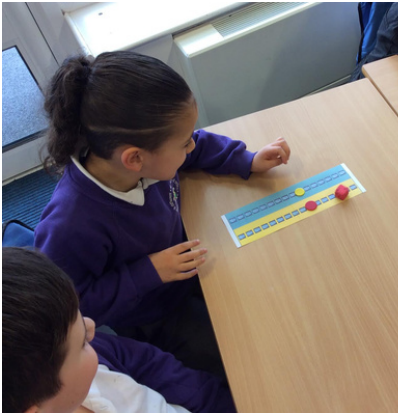
The children in Year 1 have been going Castle Crazy this week. Dihas and Emmanuel have designed their own castles. We love Dihas's use of turrets and a bridge to create the sense of a moat. Emmanuel has built stone walls using lego bricks and a central bailey to help protect them from attack. Combining their knowledge of the UK, Dihas and Buvindu have built a replica of Edinburgh castle. Meanwhile, Alma has not forgotten to practice her addition, subtraction and doubles to help her become a super Coopers Lane learner.

YEAR 1



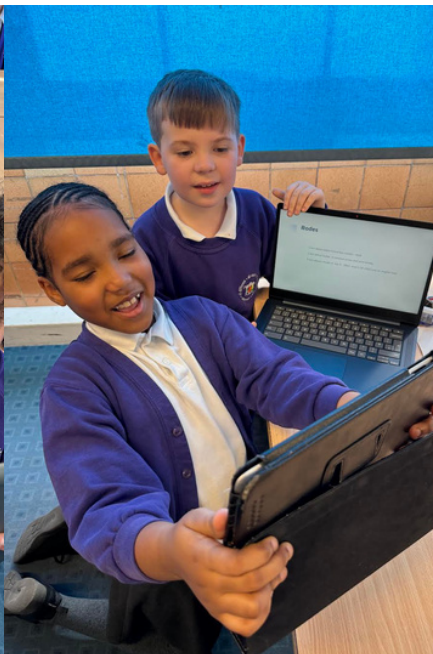
YEAR 2

Year 2 have been inspired after reading Meerkat Mail and written our own fact files to share with Year 1. In maths, we've been learning about doubles, halves and odd and even numbers. We've enjoyed using counters to identify patterns and we've been thinking like mathematicians. In PHSE we have been spotting different dangers around water, both outside and in the home. We've learnt an acrostic poem to remind us: SAFE - Stay Away From the Edge!



YEAR 3

This week Year 3 have become vloggers. We learnt about using Google Slides and recording using an iPad, we will be the next generation of vloggers, watch this space.



This week in year 4 has been filled with creativity! In Music, we composed our own music for Harry Potter and performed to the class. We designed, created and raced chariots using the spheros in computing. To do this we had to create an algorithm for our spheros to move. We have also done some amazing independent story writing all about a lonely little television aerial. An amazing week!

YEAR 4



YEAR 5

This week in Year 5 we continued to learn about forces in Science. We were set an 'Alex Rider' mission and had to help find out what surface was the best to avoid falling over. We used newton meters to measure how much force it took to move our shoes along different surfaces. The surface that took the most force, produced the most the friction and meant you are less likely to fall over. Having gathered our results we then thought about what can help increase and decrease friction. We had great fun!



YEAR 6

This week year six have been working on volume in Maths. We enjoyed using cubes to make different shapes and to help us to identify the volume of a cuboid. We have also been looking at the idea of 'food miles' in our Geography lessons. We learnt about how reducing our food miles can be good for the environment as well as the negative effects of doing this. We loved looking at food packaging from around the world and calculating how far it had travelled.



PTA UPDATE

OUR BIG SPRING PROJECT - REVAMPING THE PEACE GARDEN

This weekend the PTA starts its revamp of the peace garden. Over the next few weekends, we will be clearing and preparing the garden so that we can rebuild the decking area and clear the flowerbeds and woodchip areas so that we can install new wooden planters and a rainwater collection system as well as start to plan the planting scheme.

This is a really big project and the PTA needs as much support as possible from the school and our community to make sure we can deliver this much needed space for the kids.

If you - or anyone in your family who has an interest in gardening and building - can help by getting involved one weekend, please click the link below:

<https://volunteersignup.org/7XW8M>

Weekend clearing dates are:

Saturday 2 March - 9am to 12noon

Saturday 9 March - 9am to 12noon

Saturday 23 March - 9am to 12noon

Please note that you will be unable to bring children with you due to health and safety reasons. If you can join for three hours or just one hour - every little bit of help will be appreciated!

It will take a big community effort to get this project completed - but the result should be a fantastic resource for the school. We are aiming to reopen the garden at the Summer Fair in June, so we only have a short period of time to get the project completed.



COSTUMES & HOOPA LOOMPA CHOCOLATE BAR SALE

Thank you to everyone who bought our Hoopa Loompa bars yesterday. With your help we raised a fantastic £534 to support the school - thank you! And thank you to our volunteers who designed, bought, re-wrapped, and sold them.

We want to offer our apologies to those who were unable to buy a Hoopa bar. The demand was far greater than at any previous after-school sale, and far exceeded our expectations and ability to supply this time around.

We also understand that holding sales after school only made it possible for some kids to buy one - and we hope to be able to work around this by offering more ways to buy in advance, as well as more stock, in future. This will require us to acquire a specific lottery licence, which wasn't possible at short notice this time.

But we will need your help. We are all volunteers, and to supply many hundreds of bars, to handle licensing, pre-ordering, wrapping and distribution will require more people to pitch in - so can you help us make our next sale even bigger and better? You can reach us via email, or join our WhatsApp volunteer group at: <https://cooperslaneppta.co.uk/contact/>