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HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents,

GHTS Wow this week has gone by so quickly, or is that just me? Everyone has been adjusting to the new routine without Mrs Bryon. Luckily, she hasn't forgotten us just yet! She came to hear readers on Thursday which was lovely, and we look forward to her volunteering in the coming weeks.

We have lots of interesting things going on in this term. Please look out for the details of Friends of School Grow a Sunflower Competition. This is a great way to get children

and adults involved in gardening and we cannot wait to see the results at the end of term.

It has been rather a creative week with Art club producing some beautiful paintings. The children were looking closely at a range of blossom and using their paints to produce some very detailed pieces. Lego club has also provided children with the opportunity to build a range of interesting models. The children are so keen to explain what their model is and how they built it with lots of details in their explanations. Also, on Thursday I could hear some delightful small group singing and instrument playing coming from Class 2 and I later caught up with some cheerful videos of the children demonstrating their musical ability. Class 1 also had a fun music session playing a range of percussion instruments that reflected the sounds of Africa.

Please continue to take care regarding coronavirus, there are still cases coming through in the Newport and Telford area. We want to continue to keep everyone safe as much as we can.

Best wishes Jenny Griffiths



We have also had our student teacher Miss Amy Wiggin who is doing her final practice with us.

The children in Reception were thinking about shapes and how they are similar and different from each other. They did some great shape work with lots of discussion about the number of sides, corners and where they see these shapes in their everyday world. Please encourage your child to spot different shapes when out and about.

Year 1 have been exploring doubles and are quick to say a range of doubles. They also got to think about near doubles which is quite a useful strategy when adding and subtracting.

We have started our Africa topic and enjoyed the story of Handa's Surprise which is set in Africa. Thank you to Miss Wiggin who organised a fruit tasting session for the children. They tried a whole range of fruits including mango, avocado and passion fruit. Interestingly the fruit juice of the Guava was a big favourite.



Rewarded for working hard and being so enthusiastic in everything he does.



This week Class 2 have been retelling the story of Lila and the Secret of Rain both verbally and written. As a class we have discussed Lila's feelings and thoughts and used a story map to help us sequence the events. In geography we have recapped the names of the seven continents of the world and where they are on a world map. It has been wonderful seeing all the fantastic homework about Africa this week. It has really helped our new topic excite and enthuse the children.

In maths year 1 have looked at the order of number on a number line. They have focused on how as we count in ones the ones digit changes and as we count on in tens only the tens digit changes. In year 2 we have completed our multiplication and division work and the children have gained an excellent understanding of how the two operations are linked and use this confidently in their work.

Science is very exciting this term as we have planted our seeds and we are looking forward to seeing what happens next. Year 1 have discovered that one of our children appears to have 'green fingers' as her radish seeds already have shoots growing! We are looking forward to seeing what happens to the different seeds in the coming weeks.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Rewarded for working so hard in her lessons and always being so kind and polite.

#### IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

25th May 8pm—Friends of School Meeting on Zoom
18th May—Year 2 Leavers photos
28th May—Sweet Sale for £1
28th May—Mufti Day £2 donation
31st May— 4th June Half Term (Inclusive)





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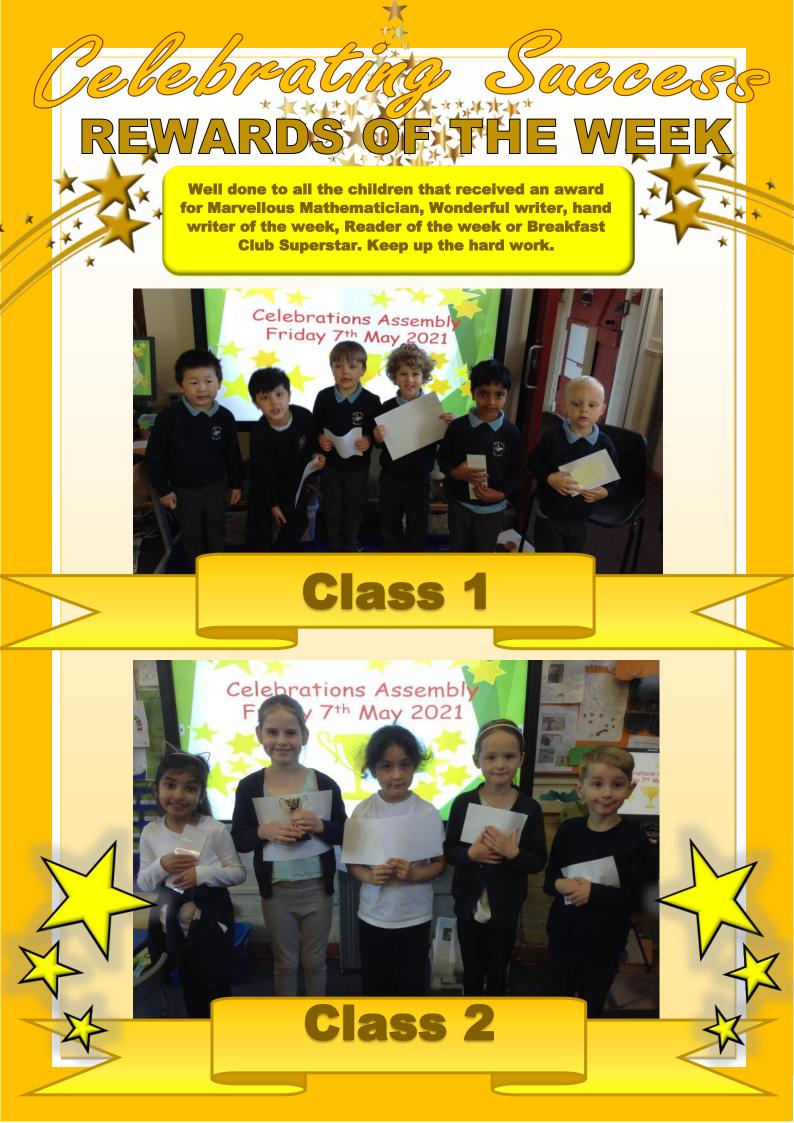
Please can parents send their child/ children to school with a raincoat. The weather can still be very unpredictable and we try to be outdoors as much as possible.

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#### THIS WEEK THE WINNING TEAM IS YELLOW TEAM

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Well done to all the children that have earned a team token for their work this week.



## CLASS 2

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Well done

BRONZE

everyone



We would love to see more of the children in Class 2 working towards their Mathletics. To gain a bronze certificate they need to gain 1000 points . Passwords are located in the front of your child's reading diary. Please can you help them to log in to Mathletics at home to work towards their certificates. It is a fun interactive programme with lots of exciting maths challenges. Good luck and challenge yourself Class 2!

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