

Spring Term

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HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear parents

It has been a busy but productive week here. The highlight has really been our swimming session for Class 2. We have several children who are just starting to learn to swim, the pool being closed for refurbishment and coronavirus restrictions have had quite an impact on their swimming experience. It was great to see them building their water confidence having fun, splashing, jumping in, using the floats etc You could see them gaining confidence throughout the session, staff were very pleased. Taking responsibility for their belongings and getting changed independently is also a good skill to develop at this young age and they all did well with this too. It was a pleasure to take them. I do feel that the children will benefit from our final session being an actual lesson rather than a gala this year so that we can get the most out of the swimming teaching session. We look forward to next week's session.

Friends of School held their meeting on Tuesday, they are busy preparing for an Easter raffle, if anyone has any ideas for prizes then please let them know. I also know they have plans for Mother's Day and are thinking ahead for later in the Summer Term. Many thanks for all their time given to planning events for us, it is much appreciated.

I have heard a number of children read this week and it has been good to hear children developing their blending skills in Reception. We also have some very confident readers in Year 1 and Year 2 and it is always good to hear them. Some children were chosen to read some facts for assembly, it is good to see them applying their skills to unseen text. Well done everyone.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

Jenny Griffiths

**This Week's Winning Team is
RED TEAM**



IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 15th January – closing date for school place applications for Reception 2023 & Infant to Junior 2023
18th , 25th January & 1st February— Class 2 swimming **8th February – final Class 2 swimming**
Friday 20th January—Celebrating Chinese New Year in School
3rd February – Reception NCMP Height and Weight checks – see letter and leaflets sent home this week
17th Feb - Valentine's Mufti
30th March - Spring Fayre Inc Easter bonnet competition

INFORMATION OF A LOCAL UNDER 7'S NETBALL CLUB LOCALLY.

Tibberton Netball Club Under 7s

Due to popular demand we have formed a new training group for girls in school years 1 & 2.

Tuesdays 16:45-17:45 at Newport Junior School starting Tuesday 17th January 2023.

Qualified Coaches, First Aid and Safeguarding qualified, DBS checked. A long established and accredited club. Come and join our purple netball family.

£50 for 10 sessions, plus a personalised club t-shirt, a ball and England Netball Membership.

Please email tibbertonunder7s@outlook.com to book your place now. Limited spaces available.



IMPORTANT PARKING NOTICE

Please ensure that if you are dropping off and/or picking your child up by car that you park at the Village Hall on the other side of the bridge, thank you.



Last few days

IMPORTANT

LOOKING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE SEPTEMBER 2023?

The online admissions application process is now available at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The following deadlines apply this year:

- Applying for Reception Year school places to start in September 2023 (starting school for the first time) - **closing date 15 January 2023**
- Applying for Infant to Junior school (Year 2 into Year 3) places to start in September 2023 (current Year 2 pupils) - **closing date 15 January 2023**
- If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the closing date is **31st October 2022 for all applications.**

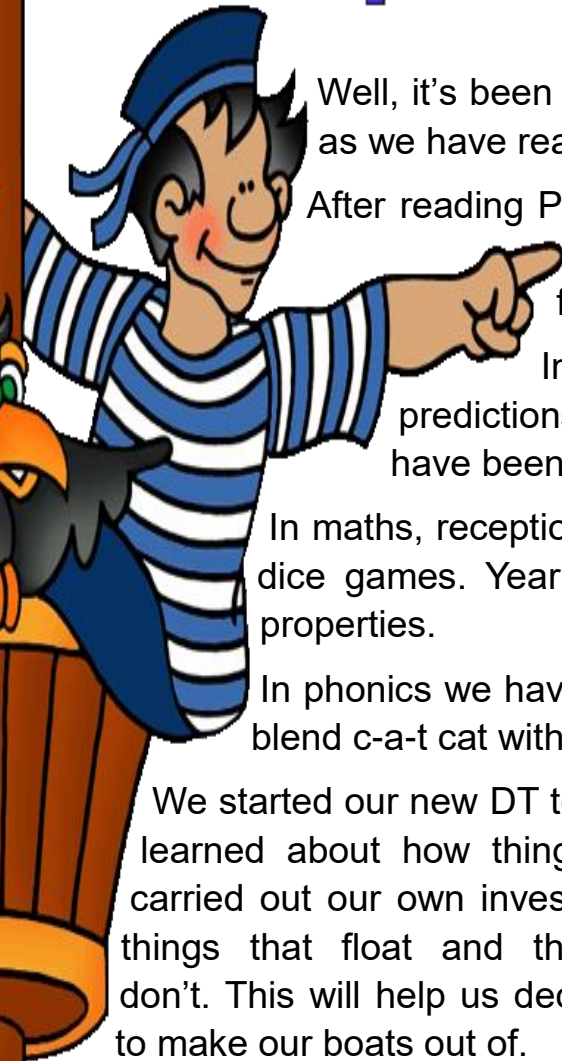
Class 2 swimming sessions

We have decided not to hold a sponsored swim as the final swimming session this year. This means that the final Class 2 swimming session on 8th February will be a normal swimming session for the children.

Class Post Boxes

In the entrance halls for each classroom we have a class post box – please can we ask that you use this for anything you need to send in to school for example a consent slip, a letter, a payment etc. Please can we ask that for all payments you write on the envelope the name of your child and what the payment is for, thank you. **Please can we ask that anything being sent in to school is put into the post boxes and not put in to school bags, thank you.**

Ship Ahoy! with Class 1



Well, it's been all things, "Arrrr!" "Shiver me timbers!" and "Yo, Ho, Ho!" as we have really got going on our new topic, 'Ship Ahoy!' this week!

After reading Pete the Cat and the Treasure Map, the children donned their best pirate outfits and headed out on a mission to find the treasure using Captain Pete's treasure map!

In English the children have been making and writing predictions about what the sea creature in the story might be and have been using similes to describe the treasure they found.

In maths, reception have been subitising numbers on a dice when playing dice games. Year one have been sorting 2D shapes according to their properties.

In phonics we have been practicing our blending. Ask the children how we blend c-a-t cat with our hands!

We started our new DT topic this week. We will be making boats so this week we learned about how things float and carried out our own investigation into things that float and things that don't. This will help us decide what to make our boats out of.

Have a lovely weekend with your little pirates and we will see you next week!

Reception children only National Childhood Measurement Programme

We have sent home letters and leaflets regarding the National Childhood Measurement Programme (NCMP) this week. This included a letter with a slip to return if you wish to withdraw your child from the measurement programme. Please can we ask that any withdrawals are posted in the class letterbox and not returned in school bags, thank you. The School Nurses will be visiting us on 3rd February to take the measurements.

Class 1 Star



Rewarded for showing lots of enthusiasm for our new topic, Ship Ahoy!

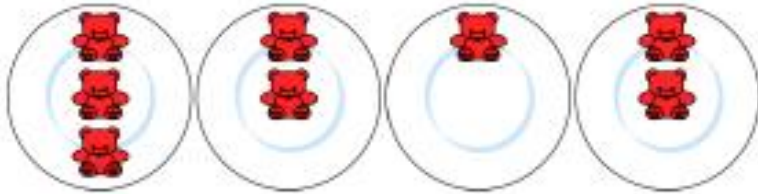
Welcome back everyone!

It has been an exciting start to the term. It was wonderful to see the children taking part in their first school swimming lesson and I was so impressed with their behaviour and determination to do their best in the pool.

As you may already know our new topic 'Ship Ahoy!' has really excited the children. As part of the topic Class 2 are studying the explorer Christopher Columbus, and so far, we have learnt about his early life. I am going to ask the children to research journeys on ships, at home, in the coming weeks so look out for this in the homework folders.

In maths year 2 have started looking at grouping in both equal and unequal groups as we start looking at multiplication.

'Make these groups equal.'

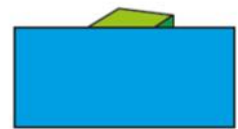


How would you make these groups equal?

In year 1 the children have been exploring shape.

Could it be a sphere? Why?

Mo has a 3-D shape.
He covers the bottom of the shape.



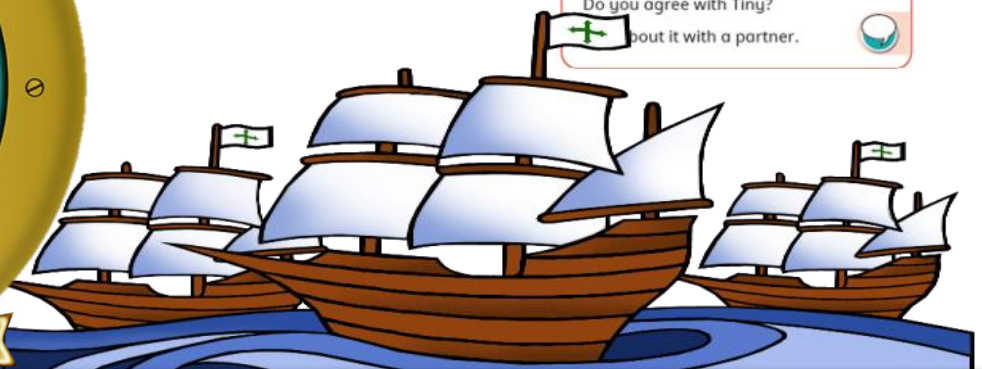
Mo's shape must be a cube.



Do you agree with Tiny?
Talk about it with a partner.

Do you agree with Mo? Why?

Class 2 Star



Rewarded for how well he has tackled new experiences and learning this term.

Celebrating Success

REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful writer, hand writer of the week, Reader of the week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.



Class 1



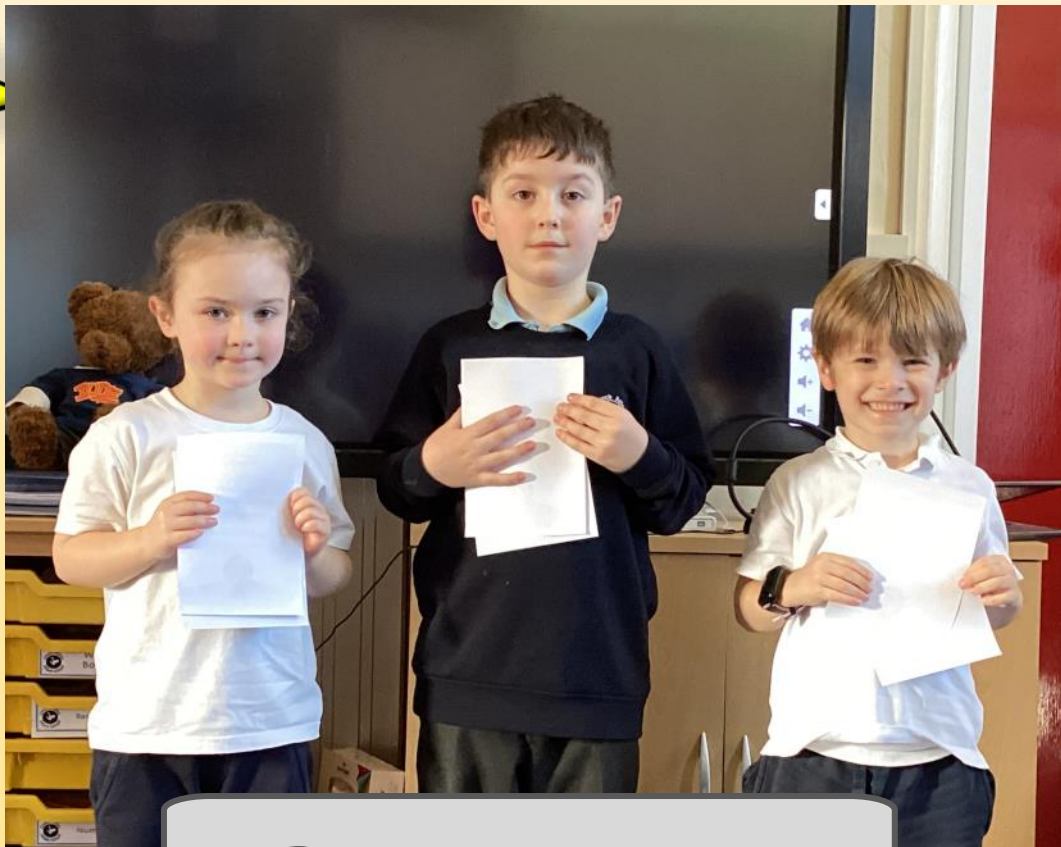
Class 2

Celebrating Success

MATHLETICS



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