

FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2022

What an incredibly wet week. Despite the rain we have had lots of fun in school and had another successful week.

It is great to see our pupils actively engaged in their learning, and this week and I love to see the showcase of work in our Friday assembly. I have been to some of our phonics sessions this week. Phonics is the link between letters and sounds, it is so important that our children develop a strong and secure understanding to ensure they are fluent readers. Please do read with your children at home, and for advice and suggestions please see the link below:

[Oxford Owl for Home: help your child learn at home - Oxford Owl](#)

We have noticed some children have been wearing jewellery to school. We would kindly ask that jewellery, including watches are left at home as they are easily lost, broken and can cause issues around health and safety. Whilst we would encourage children to own a watch and learn to tell the time, children do not need a watch in school as we have clocks in all classrooms.

Young people are fantastic with technology, which is brilliant, but there can be associated risks and it is important that as adults we all work to keep children safe online. The best way to keep your family safe online, and to understand your child's internet use is to use technology and the internet together. Get to know how a game or device works by exploring it as a family and finding where the main settings and safety features are. In the same way that you set boundaries for most areas of your children's lives, establish and share your expectations and supervise your children whilst they are using devices. Please see the link below for further information and guidance

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

I wrote to you earlier in the week regarding changes to our WRAP provision. I do appreciate that this may be a concern for some parents and families, please do contact me to discuss this with me if this is a concern for you.

Celebrating the Harvest Festival is a long held tradition, and we have celebrated as a school. Reverend Nicki delivered an assembly on Monday, this was titled 'the blessing of the bags' and focused on being thankful. We also celebrated in our assembly today and we explored the importance of being thankful for all we are so fortunate to have.

Thank you for your donations.

Have a lovely weekend,

Sophie McCabe

ATTENDANCE

REC – 95%	YR1 –96.67%	YR2 –95%	YR3 –100%
YR4 –100%	YR5 –100%	YR6 –97.78%	W/S –97.68%

CALENDAR

13/10/22

Year 6 pupils Science show at West Lakes Academy

w/c 17/10/22

Parents appointments, class teachers will be in contact with more details

24/10/22 - 28/10/22

Half term

14/11/22

Nasal Flu vaccinations (Reception - Year 6)

Parents appointments are Tuesday the 18th and Wednesday the 19th of October. Please do arrange a time to meet with your child's teacher.



**Don't forget
parents'
evening!**

Key Stage 2 Art Competition

At the end of last year, Key Stage 2 entered an art competition in partnership with Alex Mullarky - author of *The World Beneath the Fells*.

The judges were blown away by all of the by the quality, the enthusiasm and the sheer number of wonderful entries from burgeoning artists that made their way into the Cumbrian Magic arts competition!

From our school, we were lucky enough to have 2 winners selected for their creations and would like to offer our congratulations:

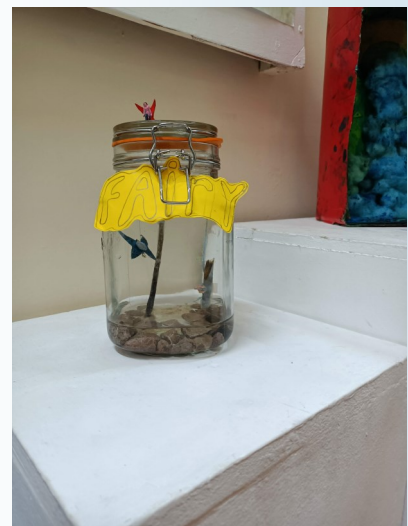
"Waterfall" diorama by Heidi Fowler, Year 6

"Fairy jar" by Lolly Sloan, Year 5

All of the entries were wonderful and we look forward to taking part in similar projects in the future.

You can see an idea of the overall exhibition, and a peek at some of the *Magical Cumbria* display, on

<https://www.heatherandyew.com/art-competition-winners>



Harvest Festival Celebrations



EYFS

This week we have been learning about our food - where it comes from and what we can eat lots of, what we may need to have as a treat. This links in with our harvest festival as we celebrate the things we have.

The children first tried to sort where they thought food came from: it is grown, from animals or made in a factory. They were exceptionally good at this. Then using food magazines they used their cutting skills to choose some of their favourite foods including some that were healthy and some that were for a treat. These were then stuck inside the outline of Tucker

We celebrated our harvest with visit from the food bank and we shared our harvest song. We have also used lots of craft materials to make mini scarecrows.



GOOD WORK ASSEMBLY



Each week children from each class are selected as 'Stars of the week'
We celebrate this in our assemblies
These young people were awarded certificates this week.

EYFS

Sofia

Sofia is star of the week, this week for her fabulous recognition of healthy foods and effort in topic work.



Key Stage 1

Adanna and Forrest

Forrest was star of the week for impeccable manners all of the time
Adanna was star of the week for her improvement in number formation and working hard when calculating

Key Stage 2

Tom

Tom has been a super scientist this week, showing off his knowledge of light, dark and shadows - impressing Miss Jolliffe. Well done, Tom!

