

KNOCKHALL PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Dear Families

Things have been busy at Knockhall. We had a large group of volunteers come into school over the Easter break. They spent time tidying the pond area and planting it with herbs and bulbs ready for summer. We were kindly donated 10 apple trees which the volunteers also planted for us. Carol Gail, Our Chair of LAC joined us to finish off the allotment area. It was a busy day, but we got a lot completed and hope to be able to open these spaces to our children soon.

On the last day of term, a group of Year 6 children visited St Mary's Child Church to help them plant some trees. This was such a special time for them, and we wanted to thank the Reverend for inviting Knockhall to join in.

On Wednesday we had a visit from Jeremy Indika who spent time with our Year 5 and 6 children teaching them about safe touch, safe adults and how to raise worries and concerns. This forms part of our PSHE curriculum but also acknowledges the difficulties that children have with online strangers and social media. Jeremy also spent time with our staff team developing our understanding of how to continue to protect and keep our children safe. The sessions were valuable, and we will be adding information to our website for those of you who would like to find out more. We are looking into booking Jeremy for a parent session soon so watch this space!

Don't forget to book your child onto our new FREE breakfast club which starts on Monday. We are really excited to see the children for cereal and toast!



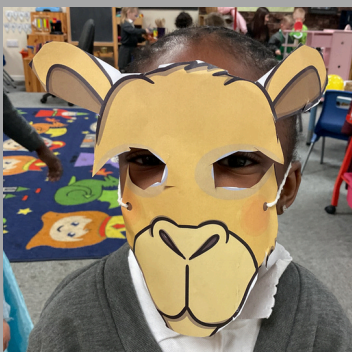


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As a part of the nursery Big Bang Day, the children came dressed as their favourite animals, it was lovely to see all of the different outfits and hear the discussions that the children had about why they are their favourite. The children also created their own animal masks, and they did some brilliant animal dancing. We are all so excited to learn about different animals and their habitats.

In reception, it was lovely to see the parents, and the children thoroughly enjoyed making and eating their fruit salads alongside their friends and families. Through practicing chopping skills, and trying different fruits, it has sparked the children's enthusiasm to start our topic 'In the Garden'.

As we no longer have access to the Collins Big Cat Books as it was a trial period, children to be bringing home a physical copy of their reading books. Please read with your child every day and write this in their reading diary. It is important that these books are returned to school everyday in preparation for their reading sessions. Thank you so much for your continued support in your child's learning.



KS1

Year 2 loved exploring their new topic 'Fish and Chips Vs Tacos'. They have been learning about the similarities and differences between Mexico and the UK as well as exploring the history of Mexico. During our Big Bang day we learnt about Mexican culture and we created our very own piñatas as well as designing some costumes depicting their culture.



Year 1 had an amazing Big Bang Day on Tuesday to celebrate the launch of their new topic 'Fire! Fire!'. They worked incredibly hard all day during their fun activities. They created artwork, pretended to be firefighters, made fake bread, created digital artwork and also learned a new song about The Great Fire of London. Well done Year 1!

LKS2

This week, Year 3 started the term with our Big Bang Day all about the Visionary Victorians.

We learnt about what life was like as a Victorian school child, which included strict routines and being called outrageously weird names such as Princess Cheese and Lettuce Burger!

The children also took part in a Victorian handwriting lesson and learnt how to draw Queen Victoria.



Year four enjoyed making dragons eyes and learning about the **VIKINGS**

UKS2

Year 5 had an unforgettable start to their new topic with a Big Bang Day like no other! We welcomed Time Capsule into school to take us back in time and explore what life was really like during the Tudor period. The children dived into a day full of hands-on experiences, from trying out traditional Tudor instruments to learning lively Tudor dances.

Dressed in amazing costumes, our young historians fully immersed themselves in the sights, sounds and stories of the past. They learned all about the fascinating (and sometimes fearsome!) reign of Henry VIII, setting the stage perfectly for their upcoming visit to the Tower of London in May.

It was a brilliant, buzzing day packed with fun, facts and fantastic memories!





Who Has Received a **Golden Ticket** This Week!



Nursery -Isla

Reception-Arthur,Arvin

Year 1-Kumail,Diana

Year 2-Sonny,Rian

Year 3-Advik,Mateus,Nazir

Year 4-Max,Ntombi,Max

Year 5 -Eslem,Natasha

Year 6 -Ronnie,Martina,Rahmah

Sports Classes of the week

KS1 -Swans

KS2 -Eagles

ATTENDANCE

Ducklings -85.6%

Owlets-73.9%

Cygnets -90.5%

Owls -83.2%

Swans -90.7%

Flamingos -88.3%

Falcons -89.2%

Hummingbirds-92%

Kingfishers -**96.2%**

Robins -87.9%

Kestrels-92.6%

Woodpeckers -**96.8%**

Pelicans -**98.9%**

Penguins -95.5%

Puffins-**100%**

Parrots-90.9%

Peacocks -94.8%

Eagles -92.1%

Minimum School Target -96%

Whole School attendance -91%

Knockhall Values Champions!!!

Ducklings-Emmanuel

Owlets-Ava

Cygnets-Damian

Swans-Henry

Owls -Cleo

Flamingos -William

Kingfishers-Mikey

Falcons -Sonny

Hummingbirds-Aaiza

Robins -Heidi

Woodpeckers -Chimamanda

Kestrels -Darcy

Penguins-Charlie

Pelicans-Jeremy

Puffins-Eloise

Peacocks-Sidhvin

Parrots-Oge

Eagles-Sulaman



Dear Families,

To ensure the safety of all our children, we kindly ask that parents accompany their KS1 children, to their designated lines in the morning, rather than allowing them to walk through the gates alone. Please use the correct gates for drop-off to help us manage the flow of children safely and efficiently. If allowing a KS1 child to walk alone, the KS1 gate is much closer to their class registration lines. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school a safe environment for everyone.

Urgent Safety Reminder

Please do not mount the curb to drive around cars during drop-off and pick-up times. We understand the road can be very busy, and you may feel the need to get off quickly, but we cannot compromise children's safety. Many families walk to school, and it's crucial that we prioritise their and others' safety.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe.



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Information for Families




Over the Easter Break, volunteers from National Grid came to help with our Gardens. Great progress was made in the Edible Garden and Sensory Garden thank you for all your help!

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There are still spaces if your child wants to learn how to play an instrument!

Week beginning 12th May SATS week- All year 6 children must attend school!



Dates For Your Diary



SATS week– Beginning Monday 12th May

Last day of Term– Thursday 22nd May

Whole School Class Photos– Monday 16th June



If you would like to raise anything with us, please contact us via the school office

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