

Water Bottles!

As per the newsletter sent out at the beginning of term, every child is expected to bring a named water bottle into school, separate from their lunch. Currently, 46 children in the area do not have a water bottle in school. This makes it very challenging to ensure the children are keeping hydrated throughout the day as it is unfeasible to have children queuing to use the water fountains - it wastes too much learning time.

If your child does not have a water bottle in school, please ensure that they bring one in on Monday 5th November. This can stay in school throughout the week and will come home again on Friday for a clean.



Visiting the toilet during lesson time...

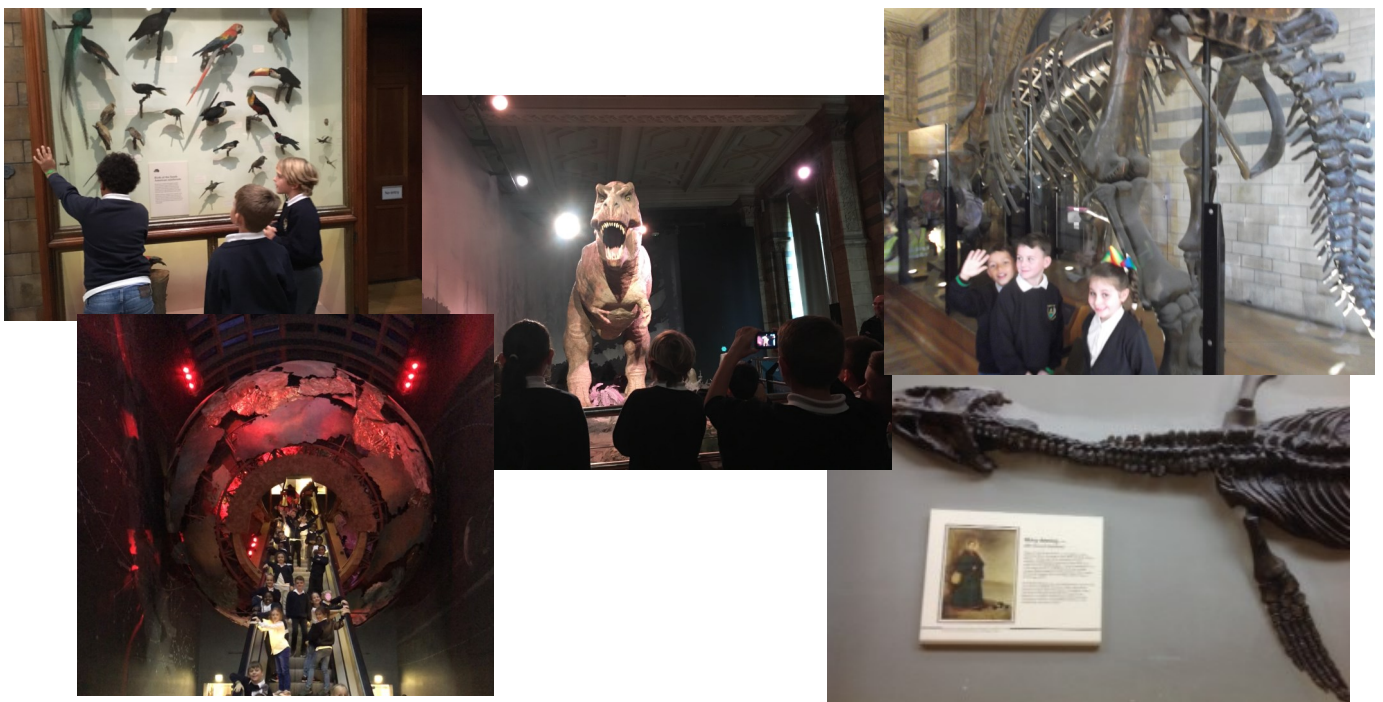
Over the course of this half term we have been reminding the children that they should not be needing to visit the toilets during lesson time, unless it is an emergency. Too many children are not using the toilet in the morning, during break or lunch which is when they should be going - meaning that learning time is being disrupted. Throughout a normal English lesson this week, I counted 28 children visiting the toilet!

In order to ensure that our expectations are consistent, we will be limiting visits to the toilet and reminding the children to go at the beginning of each break and lunch. Please also encourage your child to go as they enter school in the morning.

Of course we are fully aware of pupils who do need to visit the toilet regularly as part of their medical needs and we will not prevent a child from going during lesson time if it is clear they are desperate. In order to minimise the impact on their learning, if they constantly and unnecessarily request to use the toilet during lesson time, the children may miss some of their break time to make up learning time. Thank you for your understanding.

Our visit to the Natural History Museum

We had a fantastic day at the Natural History Museum - thank you for all your support. A special thanks to all the adults who attended the trip, without whom it would not have gone ahead! Here are a few photos of a great day!



Our Creative Curriculum...

The Stone Age!

<p><u>English</u></p> <p>Year 3 will be using the poem 'The Magic Box' and 'The Wild Girl' Stone Age story to inspire their writing.</p> <p>Year 4 will be using the text 'Stone Age Boy' to develop their fiction and non-fiction writing.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u></p> <p>Year 3 will be learning to multiply and divide and measure length, mass and capacity.</p> <p>Year 4 will be developing their multiplication and division and revising angles and shape.</p>	<p><u>History</u></p> <p>Our Stone Age topic will begin with a look at just how long ago this was! We will then be focusing on housing and tools, to learn about how these things changed between the Stone Age, Iron Age & Bronze Age.</p>	<p><u>Art</u></p> <p>We will be learning about Stone Henge and using this to inspire our very own sculpture work!</p>	<p><u>Physical Education</u></p> <p>Year groups will be switching their PE this half term:</p> <p>We will be developing our skills in gymnastics.</p> <p>Year 3 will also be learning the skills for handball whilst Year 4 develop the skills for</p>
<p><u>Music</u></p> <p>Y3 continue to use sounds from different environments to inspire their music work.</p> <p>Y4 will be continuing to master the boom-whackers to create a class composition.</p>	<p><u>French</u></p> <p>Y3 will be developing their vocabulary for games and songs.</p> <p>Y4 Will be looking at toys and games as the season for giving approaches.</p>	<p><u>Religious Education</u></p> <p>Y3 - We will be thinking about the true meaning of Christmas.</p> <p>Y4 - We will be looking at the many symbols associated with the Christmas Story.</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>We will be developing our scientific investigation skills whilst learning about different states of matter.</p>	<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Year 3 will be learning about networks and how e-mails work.</p> <p>Year 4 will be developing their programming skills using Scratch.</p>

Dates for your diary

November- Our Value is: Care

Monday 5th November - Return to school - *remember water bottles.*

Thursday 8th November - *Primary Futures Event—Yr4*

Wednesday 14th November & Wednesday 21st November - *Parents' Evening*

Thursday 22nd November - *Christmas Shopping Evening 6.30pm - 8.30pm*

Monday 26th November - *Flu Immunisations.*

December - Our Value is: Peace

Thursday 13th December - *LKS2 Christmas Sing-Along 2.15pm & 6pm*

Thursday 20th December - *Christmas Fair - 1.30pm*

Friday 21st December - *LKS2 Reward Afternoon - Disco Time! & Headteacher Treat*

Last day of term: Friday 21st December

School re-opens on: Monday 7th January

Please check the school website regularly for updates.

Did you know, you can also subscribe to the school calendar? Just click on the 'calendar' tab on the school website.