



8TH OCTOBER 2021

NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday, 13th October

9.30am - 10.45am

Parent Workshop

Secondary Transition - for parents of pupils in Y4, Y5 and Y6

Wednesday, 20th October

9.30am - 10.30am

Link Association Coffee Morning

Being Held at The Secondary School

25th - 29th October 2021

HALF TERM - No School

Friday 17th December 2021

END OF TERM - EARLY CLOSURE FOR PUPILS

Tuesday, 4th January 2022

STAFF INSET DAY

Wednesday, 5th January 2022

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR THE SPRING TERM

14th - 18th February 2022

SPRING HALF TERM - No School

Friday, 1st April 2022

END OF TERM - EARLY CLOSURE FOR PUPILS

By now, all parents with children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will have received the invitation to join our Parents' Workshop next Wednesday on 'Secondary Transition'. A really useful meeting, which will help guide you through this process.

Following the workshop, there will be an opportunity to visit our secondary school with Sue Denman, who will give you all a tour, so that you can see the provision and what we have to offer.

We do hope you are able to come along.

In addition to our support, SIASS is the local statutory service that supports parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities (aged 0-25) with FREE impartial information, advice, and support on a wide range of topics.

Accompanying this week's newsletter is a leaflet giving further information and contact details.

We hope you have a nice weekend.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE PRIMARY SCHOOL?

Our school assemblies provide a wonderful opportunity to build a strong sense of community. In addition to reinforcing our ethos and values, they help develop identity, making the school as a whole stronger.

At the primary school, we have three assemblies every week.

On Monday, Sue Denman leads our 'Special Moments' assembly, where we focus on special events that may be taking place - Remembrance Day, Harvest, Diwali, Christmas and Ramadan for example, but more importantly we celebrate the special moments that the pupils have achieved at home - helping lay the table for dinner; being kind to a sibling; tying their own shoelaces. Every special moment is celebrated.

Thank you all for sharing these moments on the special stickers that we sent home. If you ever need any more, just speak to the school office.

On Wednesdays, we have our 'Sensory Assembly' and what a wonderful experience this is for some of our classes. A themed journey incorporating sight, smell, touch and sometimes even taste!

This week Michelle Maclean led a 'Rainbow' assembly and took her

engaged audience through a spectacular experience of colour, light and touch.



The grand finale to our week comes on Friday when Sandy holds her 'Golden Book' assembly. The children strive to be awarded with a 'Certificate of Achievement' from Sandy. As well as being able to take their certificate home to show their family, a copy of it also goes into our 'Golden Book' which takes pride of place in our reception area for all to see.

Sandy's assembly also covers general topics of interest and reinforces the core values we promote such as kindness and making the right decisions.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE SECONDARY SCHOOL?

On Wednesday, Weir class went to Beddington Park, where they worked on a few different Link Priorities. These included:

1. Friendships - able to form and maintain positive relationships with peers.

7. Communication - able to enjoy and take part in reciprocal communication with known adults and peers.

10. Transfer and generalise skills - able to apply knowledge and skills they learn at school to different activities and environments.

15. Social expectations - able to have a good understanding of expected behaviour in difficult contexts both in and out of school.

17. Time and leisure - able to participate in and enjoy a range of leisure and social activities.

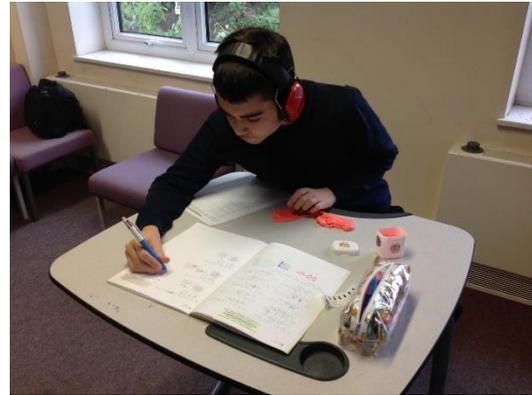
19. Healthy lifestyle - Mental Health - know how to have good mental health and are able to fill their "emotional tank".

They had an amazing time and were brilliant in the café showing 'expected behaviour'.



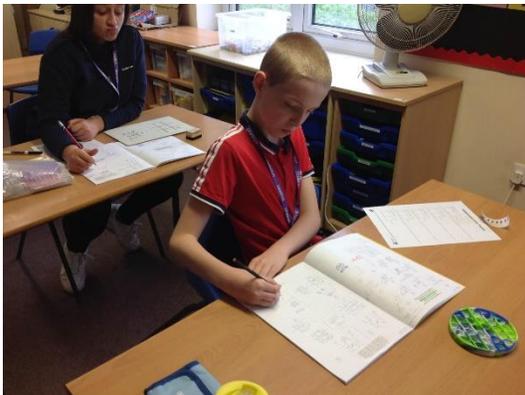


been learning the 'grid method' for multiplication, where they have been putting their times table skills to the test.



This term in mathematics we have been focusing on the four core mathematical operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. These skills are key in mathematics, as they form the basis for the subject and are the building blocks, which enable us to move on to other topics.

Emily Cruttenden, our Math's Co-ordinator invites you to take a look at some of our fantastic work and put your multiplication skills to the test!



AND FINALLY

This week, we have been finishing our work on division and beginning our work on multiplication. Some students have been focusing on making groups using manipulatives, to show that multiplication means 'groups of'. Other students have

We don't remember the days
We remember the moments