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'Placing learning at the heart of everything we do'
Raising Aspirations, Realising Ambition and Stimulating Curiosity

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Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome this week's newsletter. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as dealt with the issues we had with the water and heating.

Reception and Year 1

Ducklings and Goslings have been applying their design and technology skills in class with a rocket project. The children had to draw their rocket, thinking carefully about the colours and materials to use. They thoroughly enjoyed using their design to guide the build part of the process. Just like all good designers, the children adapted and tweaked their designs when something didn't go to plan.



We didn't need any rockets to be transported across the Solar System when the Space Dome paid a visit. We got to see many of the planets close up and learned lots of new facts. We had lots of children wanting to be astronauts by the end of the visit.



Pufflings also had a lovely time in the Space Dome, exploring the Solar System and finding out fascinating facts about all the planets.

Pufflings had a go at designing and building their very own rockets, taking time to carefully plan out their design before putting their building skills to use and making their very own rocket.



Years 2 & 3

In Maths we have been exploring shapes. We looked at different 2D shapes and identified their names. We then thought about how we could describe their properties and sorted them into different groups.



In Science we have been thinking all about how to keep our bodies healthy. We carried out an experiment to show the importance of using soap to wash our hands.



This week we have been getting in the festive spirit with a new Christmas tree in the classroom! We enjoyed decorating our own ornament to hang on the tree.

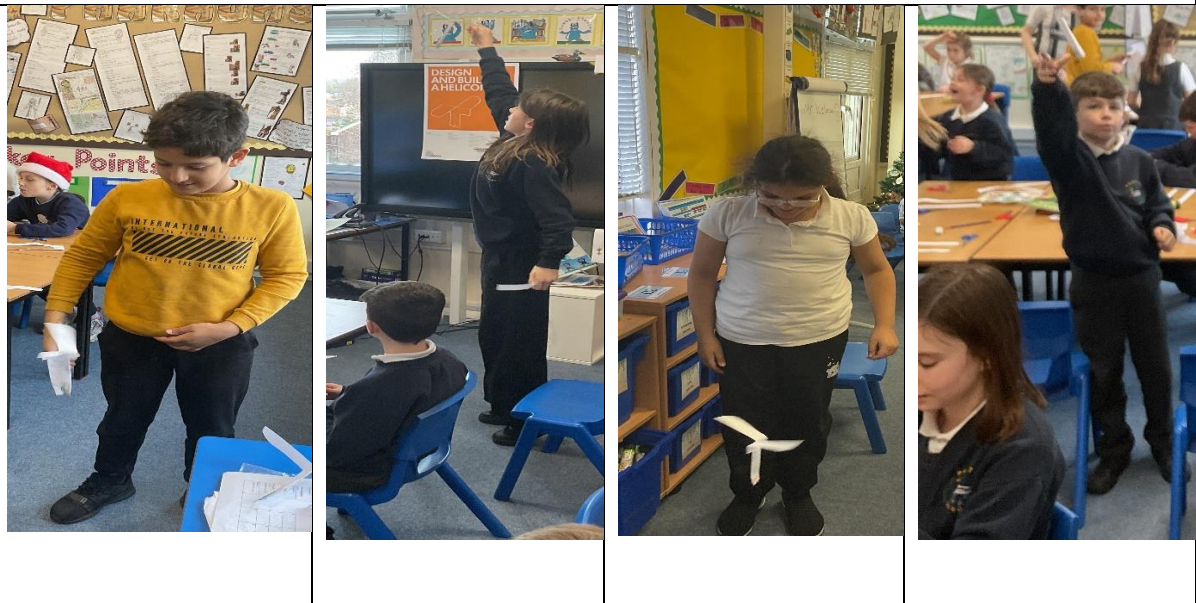


Year 4 & 5

In PE this week we were looking at 'dancing in canon' – where we agreed a sequence of movements (or a dance) which we then took in turns to perform at the same time. We explored different ways of travelling before putting our sequences together. Our sequences involved spinning from high to low, crawling in different directions and travelling at different speeds.



Friday was "No Pens Day" and the children took part in several different Science and Technology activities. Curlew was a base for Helicopter designers and finger painters for decoration. We had super fun making and testing our "Helicopters".



Year 6

We had a trip to the Victorian School to be a part of an immersive experience. This helped us get into the role of a Victorian child and think about what life would have been like.

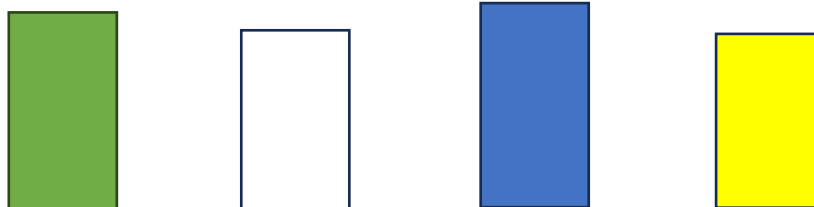


No Pens Day – We took part in a selection of different science experiments to celebrate no pens day. One of these experiments was the balloon car race. The children had amazing fun trying to propel their cars forward.

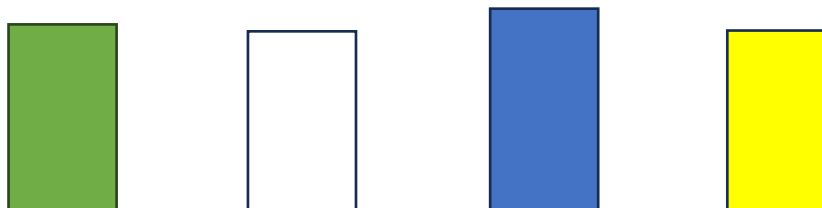


Scores and Rewards

Team Points:



Team Points this week	305	280	324	276
	Bowood Green	Gases White	Oxygen Blue	Duck Yellow



Team Points this term	2628	2507	2916	2584
	Bowood Green	Gases White	Oxygen Blue	Duck Yellow

Spikey Points by Class:

Ducklings	Goslings	Pufflings	Eider	Sandpiper	Teal	Curlew	Avocet	Kingfisher	Mallard
78	0	32	118	156	166	130	235	39	231

Attendance by Class:

Ducklings	Goslings	Pufflings	Eider	Sandpiper	Teal	Curlew	Avocet	Kingfisher	Mallard
94.94	93.53	96.89	96.91	94.46	95.03	96.61	96.50	97.27	96.17

School Average 95.53%

Congratulations to Kingfisher Class, who had the best attendance this week – and will be sitting on the benches in assembly after half term. Don't forget how important being in school is to let children learn and build social skills – which will help them throughout their lives.

Have a great weekend

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