



Spotlight On...



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Message from Mrs Sharrock

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has - as always - been a hectic time at Biggin Hill and the children have been busy learning and making lots of amazing progress.

I have thoroughly enjoyed having the opportunity to watch a number of incredible class assemblies recently. It is a real joy to see how far the children have come since September and to see, up close, what they are learning and how much they enjoy their education.

This Spotlight On... issue is dedicated to the pupil voice the House Captains and Prefects coordinated at the end of last term. It was wonderful hearing children talking about their learning with the oldest children in the school!

Aspire:

Aspire class has read books called 'Filth' and 'Imaginary Garden'. In Maths, they are currently doing division, subtraction, multiplying, addition and areas. They wrote a letter to an author called Sam Boughton. They enjoy learning about English and Maths as they said that they could explore. If they need any help they will ask the Aspire teachers Miss Scriven, Miss Mason and Miss Mercer. They said that they are very supportive with helping and encouraging.

Written by Nicky W and Ellie G

Stars of the Week

- Caterpillar - Jacob G
- Tiger - Theo M
- Elmer - Sadie A
- Chameleon - Mia J
- Crayon - Buddy W
- Charlie Cook - Denny M
- Sofia Valdez - Amelia P
- Gregory Cool - Eddie P
- Chaya - Matilda W
- Ebenezer Tweezer - Jessica J
- Pevensie - Whole Class
- Gelifen - George M
- Fred - Harper F
- Skellig - Ben S
- Aspire - Daniel I

Congratulations!

EYFS and Year Two

In Reception, the children have learned how to sit quietly on the carpet and treat others nicely. They also like counting numbers, building and drawing. In Maths, they have learned how to count up to 20 with their fingers, teddies and the help of their teacher. Reception's favourite books to read are: Charlie Cook, We're going on a Bear Hunt and Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The adults in Reception have helped the children learn new things that can be a bit tricky for them and help them with their friendship problems (including football and fall outs). Reception have learnt about Diwali and about Mary and Joseph giving birth to baby Jesus on Christmas day. They love construction, art and colouring as it is fun and creative for them. They'll be artists when they grow up! Reception know if they have been good or not as they have moved up the track for good reasons and if they are not, they will know to do better next time. They love phonics because they learn new sounds like th or sh.

Written by Poppy C and Travis L

Year 2

In Year 2, the children have been doing lots of fun yet challenging work. In Maths, they learnt the multiples of ten, bar models and how to use the greater than and less than symbols. Their English books were very neat and their drawings were very colourful and fun. We saw that they had done a lot of work on homophones, adverbs and noun phrases. In Science, they had been observing objects and trying to find out what they were made of. We asked them what their favourite subjects are and they both said that they loved P.E. and Art because they get to be creative and that they get to be independent. They had read many books including the Bear and the Piano, The Snake and the Drake and The Bear Under the Stairs. We hope that they have had lots of fun and they enjoy the rest of Year 2.

Written by Ellie D

Weekly Whole School Attendance 94.6%

Weekly Class Attendance

Excellent attendance 'gold'
 98% - 100%
 Fred - 99.3%
 Chameleon - 99.2%
 Ebenezer Tweezer - 98.4%

Good attendance 'green'
 Caterpillar - 97%
 Crayon - 96%

Well Done!

House Points

Rowling
Holmes
Attenborough
Hawking

Year Three and Four

Year 3

So far in English, Year Three have been predicting what will happen in a book called Gregory Cool. Later on in the year, the Year 3s wrote a message in a bottle to a scientist. They described what they saw in multiple images. In Science, they have been learning about magnets and how they can push and pull objects. They have learned about sedimentary rocks and igneous rocks. The Year 3s have learnt about the different layers of the earth – the crust, mantle, outer core and inner core.

"I like history because it makes me curious and makes me think about what happened a long time ago."

"I like English because I like learning about different books."

These are what the two Year 3s told us. We asked what books they like to read and both said Polar Express and Escape from Pompeii. In Maths they did part whole models and said $105-5=100$ and then $100-3=97$. They said $50\text{mm}=5\text{cm}$. They said that their teachers help them with ideas and help them read.

Written by Isabelle A

Year 4

In Year 4, they have been learning English, Maths and Reading. In English they have learnt about 'Farther' and 'The Iron Man' so far. When we spoke to them they said they had enjoyed reading 'The Iron Man'. In Maths they have enjoyed learning their six and nine times tables. They have also been doing addition and subtraction. In Guided Reading they have learnt how to clarify and predict their sentences. Year four have enjoyed the year so far and their teachers have been so helpful.

Written by Poppy T

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

3rd February - Special Recognition Award assembly - invite only

5th February - 4C Class Assembly - 9.00am KS2 hall

7th February - Maths/NSPCC Number Day

11th February - Safer Internet Day

11th February - Parent Conferences (pm)

12th February - 3G Class Assembly - 9.00am KS2 hall

13th February - Wild Hair Day

13th February - Parent Conferences (pm)

5th March - 2C Class Assembly 9am KS1 Hall

7th March - World Book Day

10th March - Y4 Portals to the past

12th March - 1E Class Assembly 9am KS1 Hall

19th March - 2CT Class Assembly 9am KS1 Hall

4th April - Friends Easter Egg Hunt (More details to follow from the friends)

28th April - Special Recognition Award assembly - invite only

30th April - ORC Class Assembly 9am KS1 Hall

Year Five and Six

Year 5

In Year 5 they have learnt lots of different things including English, Maths, History and Reading and lots more. We interviewed a couple of children in Year 5 and every single one of them have enjoyed every minute of their learning. In Reading they all agreed that 'The Wild Robot' and 'Real Life Mysteries' has been their favourite. In English they have learnt lots of different skills such as personification, similes and relative clauses. In Maths they have been doing a lot of hard work. They have been doing fractions, decimals and column addition. They also read 'Hidden Figures' which they all loved. The adults in year 5 are very helpful to the pupils the children mentioned that their teachers are very helpful and in lots of different ways such as helping in learning and also helping with their mental health. They also said that there were some other trusted adults that help them: Miss Sharrock, Mrs Lucas and Mrs Sargeant. Their classrooms are filled with sheets to help them during their learning.

Written by Lilly-Marie B and George S

Year 6

In Year 6, the children have been doing some fun activities. In Maths, they have been working on how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. Now, they are doing measurements. In English at the start of the year, they have been reading the Twin Towers and Bear and the Hare. Recently they have been writing/watching a short clip of Roads end. We interviewed Year 6 children, and asked them 'What do they like about learning?' they replied with 'creating their own game in P.E. and doing jumps and techniques in gymnastics. Their favourite subjects were P.E. and Science because they found it interesting. Their favourite books that they have been reading are Holes and Kensuke's Kingdom. The Year 6 class names are Fred, which is a character from a book called 'The Explorer' and Skellig, which is from a book called 'Skellig'.

Written by Nicky W and Ellie G

Weekly Lunch Menus

We will continue sending out weekly menus each Friday afternoon as we feel this is working well for families and keeps this fresh in your inbox!



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