



North Mundham Primary School

The Heron Newsletter



Welcome to our weekly newsletter

Summer Term 8

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A message from Mrs Gordon



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week and have dodged the showers and enjoyed the sunshine.

I would like to start by welcoming Class 5, Mrs Gill and Miss McGovern back to school after their self-isolation. We have all been very impressed with their adaptability and engagement during this time. I would like to personally thank all of the Class 5 parents for their support and encouragement over the last 10 days.

In assemblies this week we have been thinking about belonging to a team. We related this to the Euro 2020 competition and all of the other teams that we recognise and support. In addition, we have thought about the other 'teams' we belong to- here in school and at home with our families. The children all tried out a team challenge and then reflected on the skills that they needed to make it work. As usual, I was impressed with their thoughts and comments in all year groups.

I am delighted to be able to share our [new film](#) with you- I hope that you agree that it is a really good reflection of our school community.

The new school website will launch next week and we welcome feedback on this as we are always looking to improve communication.

Finally, I would like to wish Class 6 a really successful residential visit to Cobnor next week. I know that they are looking forward to this with an element of trepidation but I am sure that they will have an amazing time and will make treasured memories. I would like to thank Mr Murray for his careful planning for this trip as well as Mrs Berger, Mrs Holden and Mr Orchard who will be accompanying the children next week.

Happy weekend

Zoe Gordon

Our Year 6 Football Team in action!!





Year 1 amazing art







Cooking on Zoom with Year 5





Pupil Report



A Week in the Life of Class 4.

Week Report Class Four

Monday

On Monday morning, we got all of the pencil packs out and began working on KIRF. Our KIRF was all the times tables 2 times tables to 12s. Our weekly KIRF is dividing and multiplying numbers to make decimals or make them smaller or bigger.

After KIRF, Maths took place. In Maths we were doing graphs. This meant reading graphs and doing the white rose worksheet. It was pleasant when Mr Tran let us do some goal free questions on the subject in our books.

Finally, we had break! Everyone either plays cricket, football, families, handball, hoop and occasionally jump the rope. We have fifteen minutes of play.

When we came in, we had to cool down as it was so boiling hot outside. We read a hilarious book about a boy named Roman Garstang. He finds himself in a whirlwind of jellyfish, a jam doughnut and the prettiest girl in school. Darren Gamble is the class joker and does plenty of questionable things.

Afterwards, it was lunchtime and we sanitised or cleaned our hands and ate our lunch. We are allowed to chat while Mr Tran plays music that is related to our current Topic.

In the afternoon, we had a session of tennis in PE where we learnt how to control the ball. We practiced bouncing the ball in the air as many times as we could.

After, we did ICT where we were finishing off the test Powerpoint about Romans and Celts and once we had finished, Mr Tran showed us how to use Excel and we made a different variety of charts and graphs.

Tuesday

We do KIRF every morning so Tuesday was no different! We carried on learning about graphs after that. It's fun when we get to draw the graphs, and find different ways to show facts.

We were learning how to structure our creative writing later on in the morning with Mrs C (Mr T). Our writing is based on a book called 'Float' about a boy who makes an adventurous paper boat that sails down a stream, with the help of a little boy. We had to make up descriptive sentences about the book. I love creative writing.

We have been learning about food chains. In the afternoon, we drew pictures of different predators and prey and connected up the chain. It was interesting to understand more about how the world of animals connect to each other. Once we'd got the hang of it, we even role played some food chains. Some of us were unlucky enough to be plankton!

It was very relaxing in the afternoon to spend some time drawing a clown fish.

Wednesday

We had a supply teacher on Wednesday. We learnt all about Buddhism and how they believe in reincarnation. There was a game which showed us how being good in life leads to better after life outcomes in the view of Buddhists.

We drew sea creatures in our sketch books. We made them as magical and fantastical as we could. After we had designed them, we sculpted them from air dry clay. Some people had such good ideas - there were ugly eyes, dangling lights, scales, slippery eels and even a puffer fish.

PE with Mr Tran was a pairs challenge. We had to decide which level challenges we could take on and then get active. This was using the 'REAL PE' program.

Thursday

More KIRF in the morning – of course! We also did more graphs, we got to draw a line graph about the temperature across the week. There was quite a bit of difference so the graph was interesting.

We had a great conversation about sports day as a class. We voted on ideas for the day. We had ideas from all the different sports we have learnt about this term.

The class were reading our hilarious jam doughnut book in again, we then did some comprehension questions about what we had read.

It's that time where we get football mad. We picked Euro teams out of a hat for a sweepstake, everyone in the class had at least one team. During the competition we are going to support our team. This is great news for some people but not so good for others!

Then we did the spellings test, where we had twenty tricky spelling words.

Next was Life skills, where we were discussing what looks we had inherited from our parents and the genes that have come together to make us look like we do.

Friday

It was a complete downpour. It was raining cats and dogs. No more KIRFs, No more KIRFs. Luckily we did something different. Creativity got the better of Class 4. Everyone was allowed to colour in sea creatures or trace them. Today for maths we studied some multi-line graphs and did Goal Free Friday Maths. The boys were excited about the Euro's and we filled in the results from the night before.

For our Reading activity we designed a poster about all of the silly things that Darren Gamble did in our class reader. He would bite ducks, throw wee at people, ate a goldfish and head butted a police car.

Finally we did our clarinet class with Mrs Milne. We learnt some new chords. G and D. I think we are ready to play our concert, but we will practice a bit more.

That is a typical week in Year 4

Written by Iris Riddle and the pupils of Year 4.

Reminders and Notices



Events

Over the last few weeks, we have held a number of events (Ice cream sales, Promise Day and Bags2School) and I am thrilled to be able to let you know that we have made £670 which is fantastic! Many thanks for all of your support. This money will go to support the school in a number of ways and this will be shared with you in future newsletters.

Hot weather

Please remember that every child should have a hat in school when the weather is hot. This simple addition to their uniform could make a significant difference to how their bodies cope in the heat. We reserve the right to keep children inside or in the shade if they come to school without a hat on very hot days.

Personal, Social and Health Education

Thank-you to those who have signed up for the webinar on Monday at 5.30. If you still wish to attend, please contact the office. Zoom details will be sent out later today.

Support for our Grounds

Further to my message last week. Mr Murray has sent out a separate letter about two sessions on the 30th June and 1st July. Please see the sign up sheet at the front of school if you are able to help.

Bringing Items into school

Please remember that children should not be bringing items into school as it presents an additional Covid risk. This includes sweets on birthdays and sunglasses.

Manhood Peninsular leisure activities

Please see [this link](#) for ideas of leisure activities in the Manhood area.

The Circus is coming to town.

We are very excited to be welcoming Happy's circus to our school (community playing fields) next Tuesday. I am sure that this is going to be a very successful event. Many thanks to our amazing PTA who have worked tirelessly to arrange this event.

Covid update

As you will be aware, the government announced this week that the date for the next stage of the 'roadmap' has been delayed. Unfortunately, this will have an impact on some of the events that we had planned for the end of term. Sports' Day will be in class bubbles with the children competing in events for their houses. Winners will be announced at the end of the week assembly. Events will take place in PE lessons across the week. I know that it is a real shame that you won't have the opportunity to see your child compete but we will take photos of the events to share with parents and carers. We will keep you updated with arrangements for other end of term events. Please see letter sent with this email from Paul Wagstaff, Director of Education for WS.

Transition 2021-2022

We are in the final stages of arranging the staffing for the next academic year. I know that this can be an anxious time of year for the children but the plans that we are making are, as always, in the best interests of the children and staff. We will share the staffing arrangements with you and the children in the first week of July and plan to have transition events over the last few weeks so that the children are prepared and ready for the new academic year.

Request for absence

Please remember that you **MUST** complete an absence from learning form for any request for absence from school. This includes medical appointments. We also ask that you try to make any non-emergency medical appointments outside school hours. We do, however, understand that some hospital appointments are difficult to change and this will be taken into consideration when assessing the request.

Dates for the diary



Tuesday 22nd June- Class R Visit to West Beach, Bognor

Tuesday 22nd June- Circus

Tuesday 22nd June- Friday 25th June- Year 6 residential

29th June- Sports' Day in class bubbles

2nd July- Year 6 Cricket tournament

15th and 16th July- Year 6 performances (details TBC)

16th July- Y5 Canoeing

19th July- Y6 Cricket tournament





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