Dear Families

It has been another learning packed week in school. I've seen dinosaur walks in Little stars, tricky Roman numeral problem solving in Neptune, fabulous art work in Mercury and some interesting Computing learning in Saturn. It is great that our children enjoy such a broad curriculum.

The children enjoyed their special census day lunch and it was heartwarming that some of our youngest children tried, and enjoyed, their first ever school dinner! A huge thank you to Mrs Wilton for cooking such a delicious lunch. Sadly, we didn't win the competition for the best attendance. There were 3 schools in the Trust with 100% attendance on the day.

We are working really hard behind the scenes at the moment to organise exciting things for the children. I have a meeting on Tuesday which should hopefully give us a solution or a plan for Forest School that I can share next week.

Staff are also super excited to have started to think about Christmas arrangements. We have many plans in the pipeline including a Christmas Craft Day, the EYFS/KS1 Nativity and trip and lots of other things. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon.

Before I share some learning from the classes this week, my final piece of exciting news is that I am thrilled that we have a SENDCO joining us at Jacobstow for 2 days a week. Mr Thorn is an experienced SENDCO that works across the other schools in our Cornish hub. He will be in school next week and will spend time getting to know the staff and children. He already has a couple of appointments will parents next week and will start to contact parents of other children on our SEND register in the next couple of weeks. He can be contacted through the school office but will only respond on a Thursday or Friday.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the glorious weather which is forecast

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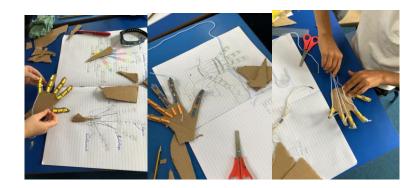
Interim Head

In school this week...

In Mercury Class, as scientists the children have been outside in our forest space looking at micro habitats and mini beasts. They turned over logs, looked in the leaf litter and explored tree branches in their search. They children got very excited every time they found a mini beast and worked in teams to count and record their results. They used a tally chart to record their results and were then able to use their results to create some amazing pictograms. A great afternoon was had by all.



Saturn Class have had an exciting week this week. In our English we began writing out nonchronological reports about the pangolin. We are thoroughly enjoying learning so much about this incredi-ball creature alongside producing our sentence stacking writing. This week we have particularly been looking forward to our science, in which we created our bionic hands. We enjoyed planning, designing and making the bionic hands. The process was both challenging, giving opportunities to demonstrate resilience and independence and inspiring, we have such fantastic scientists in Saturn class.

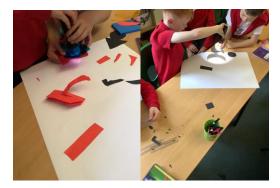


This week in Little Stars, the Nursery children have been learning Humpty Dumpty, building his wall and putting him back together again! We have all enjoyed our dinosaur theme and we have been busy walking like dinosaurs to music,

Finally, we have been practising our listening and coordination skills by playing a new game called 'Roll, roll, roll the ball'.



As scientists this week, Neptune explored shadows! We looked at how to change the size as well as observing the effects of different coloured paper on the shadows



Designated Safeguarding Leads

A couple of parents have asked who our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is. I can confirm that I am the DSL and Miss McCarted is the Deputy DSL



Parent/carer survey

On Monday we will be sharing the link to our annual parent/carer survey. We are keen to hear your views and ideas so please do take the time to complete it.

Visitors

Next week we are excited to welcome Mr Grinsall and Mrs Huish on Monday, Headteachers from 2 schools in our School Trust Family. It is their first time visiting Jacobstow and I am excited to show off our wonderful staff and children.

Miss Watson, the Trust English Lead, will be in school on Friday supporting staff to organise the library and class libraries.

On Friday we also welcome Backchat Brass for an exciting assembly with the children.