

PPC House Points of the Week



**No PPC this week double points
next week**

Headteacher's Award

**Well done to the following pupils,
who were given Headteacher's
Award certificates
this week.**

**Aisha A, Annabelle L, Eva B, Jason
S, Seb D, Ben P, Hannah W, Harvey
L, William H, Emily B, Joe N, Drew
Mc, Elyn S & Alex Y.**



Our school has been filled with gasps, whoops, wows, screams, thuds, fizzes, sparks and bangs all week.

On Monday, we began our 3 day adventure into the three strands of science - Biology, Physics and Chemistry. We started with Biology, looking at 'Our Amazing Bodies' and we jumped straight into the gory and fascinating details that come with such a topic. We learnt about Marie Curie, a scientist who invested so much of her life into the discovery of new elements and processes that still have a huge impact on the way we treat illnesses and broken bones in our bodies to this day. The children then ventured off back to their classrooms where they dissected hearts, created blood, built rib cages, mapped out their bodies, printed their finger prints and built skeletons down in the forest school.

Day 2 arrived and zapped us awake after such a busy first day. We met once again for an assembly where we learnt all about 'The Power of Electricity'. We looked at Thomas Edison and the resilience this man showed

when creating the first successful light bulb for the world to use. We then got out our Van De Graff generator and hooked Miss Tomkins up to it so that we could charge her up to 100,000 volts. Fortunately for her, this was completely safe as we made sure she wasn't part of a complete circuit so that the charge merely built up inside her body rather than running through her. We watched then in amazement as her hair stood on end because she was so full of negative charge. Once we had safely discharged her we explored what other materials could build up static electricity. Did you know you can make Rice Crispies act like a firework? Once again, after this assembly the children shot like lightning back to their classrooms to charge up their own experiments. Here they explored the same static electricity that they had seen in assembly and tried to bend water, lift salt without touching it, stick balloons to the wall and create flying rings. They created circuits, baked electrical dough, and tried their best to receive no shocks. If day 2 didn't shock them though, we made sure that day 3 would. Day 3 arrived with a bang, you might have heard it or at least heard about it. Our theme for this day was 'Chemical Reactions' and we definitely had a few of these up our sleeves. We started by looking at the famous scientist Alfred Nobel and looked at how his work of inventing dynamite had truly changed the world, but had it been a change for good or for bad? Eventually, we saw how this man left a legacy of peace and discovery in the form of the Nobel Prizes which also took us back to our first day of science week and our scientist Marie Curie who in-fact won 2 Nobel Prizes in her life. Not long after that, the environment became a little heated. We watched multiple endothermic reactions that wowed and amazed us. We created elephant toothpaste, lit up the room with glow sticks, created a fireball from the

Great fire of London and sent a rocket flying across the room (the first attempt was extremely loud). From this the children were fired up to go out and create their own lava lamps and of course a huge variety of rockets. What a week it's been. Bring on next year.





FOREST SCHOOL IN THE RAIN!!! AGAIN!!!!

Parents, I can honestly tell you that no amount of rain, wind, mud or cold will deter your resilient children from the joy of Forest School. We were knee deep in mud drenched to the skin but having the best of times in our beautiful Dell. I hope some of you will get the opportunity to see our outdoor space, it truly is a magical area, even when it's wet!!

Group 2 headed down to there this week, armed with equipment that would put a caravan to shame! We are short of no comfort, we share biscuits, marshmallows, hot chocolate, orange juice and popcorn.



In the absence of Mr Stamper and Mr Harvey, we had the absolute pleasure of the company and support of the irrepressible Mr Ainscough!! As it was a last minute substitute, he had to send out for some emergency clothing....I kid you not.....this man is resourceful!!!

This week Mrs Shackell has attended her Outdoor First Aid course, according to her she is now practically a paramedic!!



Although her skills are not that intricate, at least we know our children have some on-site first aid procedures ready "just in case".

Our challenge today was to find a shape that looks like your nose....it was a fun de-brief when we inspected sizes and shapes!!

Thomas, Poppy and Phoebe found some unexplained growths on a tree...we looked closely but we do need Mr Stamper and his knowledge of all things wildlife to help us identify it! Parents, any ideas???....



The sounds overhead today were very much muted by the rain, but it has to be said that tree

canopy keeps a lot of the elements from us, and the rustling of the leaves and the sound of rain is so relaxing.

Nuoor took refuge under the stage shelter, and the children made mud slides on the slope.



Our young Jason from year 2, loves to dig, this week he was in the company of Kevin from year 4. It is so wonderful to see the



children across the year groups playing, working and encouraging each other.

Some of the boys put up a shelter in the woodlands, and Olivia is setting up a Forest Hospital to treat nettle stings. The imagination and care shown from these children is mind blowing.

Considered risks.....our kids found Vines, like Tarzan.....they swung from them...they had the best time!!! Harvey, Esme, Sean, WOW!! They were amazing. Some of the year 5's have claimed this as their den....

For activities we had the pleasure of Miss Watson and Miss Tompkins.....I'm sure I've seen that outfit before...but this looks so much better!



Once again the children from both groups had the opportunity to practice using the flints and steel to spark a fire, we lit some cotton wall balls and even managed to toast

a marshmallow or 2 from the minimal heat it produced!

It was a subdued day today, but no less fun. Our year 6 girls offer so much love and encouragement to the younger children, we will miss them a lot, but we have suitably able and loving year 5's ready to take the baton. Athena is a beautiful soul, she gives encouragement and support always, Rhea, Lena, Eve and Grace seek to enjoy every minute of their primary school years, I heard today one of them say "This is the best Forest School session ever!!"....to hear that through a deluge of rain is wonderful!!

We look forward to the return of the Mr Stamper and Mr Harvey next week, we have missed them., though their replacement was a breath of air, not least of all from Mr Ainscough's story telling!!



Our circle time gave us further encouragement of our Forest School values, the children talked about what they had achieved today, how they felt, what Forest School means to them. They discussed working together, supporting each other but what strikes us is that they are unafraid to share their thoughts and

feelings here. It's a safe place and we are pleased.

PARENTS: We are still looking for equipment.....does anyone have any unwanted gardening tools they may consider donating? We're looking for spades, rakes, hoes and any other small handled tools. Your children get so much joy out of these simple tools, they really would be well used.

A final reminder that the **clothing aspect of Forest School** is still an issue, albeit now, a small one. The children must have long trousers and a waterproof coat. If they do not have a kit with them, they won't be allowed to join in the activity. A few were sent back to class today for this reason and they were so disappointed.

Finally, if your child is involved in Forest School through either Intervention or Activity, we have a leaflet we can share with you, giving you more relevant information. Please ask Mrs Herron or see Mrs Shackell for a copy. **Thank you again for your support, we couldn't do it without you!!**

Environment Day

It's that time of year again Environment Day is Friday 21st June!!! Please hand a £2 donation on the to your class teacher. Some children will be doing a fashion up-cycling activity any donations of t-shirts and leggings would be much appreciated. The day involves a range of activities including a bird watching walk, slack lining and an inflatable assault course. If you foresee any issues please inform Mrs Herron in advance.



Keep Calm and Read on Club

10 books:

Gerrard O'D, Tasneem H, Cori D, Eva B, Darcy T, Neha J, Miranda H, Ava S, Summer B, Daisy L.

20 books:

Leonardo T, Dottie U, Chet L, Gabby S, Emily B, Eva P, Kevin M-L.

30 books:

Mason T



No Choir on Tuesday!!!

In line with Musicians' Union and the Incorporated Society of Musicians rates, the cost of individual instrumental lessons will increase from £15.50 to £16.00 for a 30-minute lesson from September. Please send any queries to Mr Bishop.



On Wednesday 19th June, Hispanic Day will take place in the Prep School. Pupils will have the opportunity to learn more about the Spanish language and culture through many fun Spanish activities. On the day, pupils may come to school in a Hispanic costume e.g. Spanish colours, Spanish dance, Spanish footballer. Pupils will also need trainers on the day. I look forward to lots of Spanish fun.

Weekly Class Attendance and Punctuality Awards

Class	Attendance %		Punctuality %	
3R	98.1	☹️	98.1	☹️
3Q	96.3	☹️	96.3	☹️
3P	98.2	☹️	98.2	☹️
4P	94.4	☹️	94.4	☹️
4Q	97.2	☹️	97.2	☹️
5P	95.8	😊	95.4	😊
5Q	98.2	😊	98.2	😊
6Q	99.1	😊	99.1	😊
6P	96.3	☹️	96.3	☹️

Well done to **6Q Form** for the best attendance this week with **99.1%**! Keep up the good work, as we want all of our 'Mr and Mrs Potato Heads' to be clothed!

PLEASE CHECK THAT ALL KIT/UNIFORM IS NAMED THIS WEEKEND

We have rather a lot of lost property in the lost property box if this is not collected by the end of next week it will be donated to the nearly new sale.



A full Summer 2019 term calendar has been emailed to parents and is available on the website

Mon 17 June Year 6 week to Lakeside

Wed 19 June Hispanic Day

Fri 21 June Environment Day

Best wishes to you all for the weekend!

Mrs A Pease - Head of Prep