Dear Families,

First and foremost, I wanted to remind you that we have Parent Consultations coming up next week. This is a fantastic opportunity to discuss your child's progress and any concerns or questions you may have. I'm looking forward to welcoming you to these meetings and working together to ensure your child's educational journey continues smoothly. This year there will be a waiting room for families in the front entrance of the school, teachers will collect you at the time of your appointment. We hope this will help everything to run smoothly.

In line with our school value of service, our wonderful children are organising charity events within their family groups. They have been working hard to come up with creative ideas that will make a positive impact in our community. I'm incredibly proud of their dedication and enthusiasm towards helping others. Your support and encouragement in their fundraising efforts would be greatly appreciated.

Lastly, I'd like to remind everyone about the importance of road safety in our village. We kindly ask all parents to please be mindful of the 30mph speed limit and be extra cautious of pedestrians, especially during drop-off and pick-up times. Safety is our top priority, and by adhering to this, we can ensure a safe environment for everyone.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Coombe





Emergency contact with School

Our school office is the first point of contact for all parent enquiries, you can make contact via email thurlestone@lapsw.org or telephone 01548 560494 The office is manned each day during school hours. If you have an emergency or need to reach us outside of school hours please contact a member of our Hub admin team or our Trust central team (details below)

Charleton Academy - 01548 312289

West Alvington Academy - 01548 312290

Zeally House (Central Team) - 01626248800



Lovely News from Mrs Taylor

We are delighted to share with you some pictures of Mrs Taylor's new arrival - Baby Jocelyn. Mrs Taylor is very much enjoying motherhood and is looking forward to popping into school with Jocelyn soon!



All Saints Thurlestone Academy Weekly Bulletin

Welcome to our weekly bulletin. Below you will find lots of useful information and lovely news from your child's classroom.



Steeple Cove Nursery

This week in Steeple Cove we have been focusing on..... Patterns

Our weekly phonics sounds....zzzz zip and thhh thank you

The children have been learning how to identify patterns and have been investigating what patterns they could find around the room and on each other's clothing. The children noticed that some of the wild animal toys had patterns on, so they started to group the animals based on whether they had stripes and spots.

The children also spent time identifying and creating repeated patterns. They used blocks, cars, bears and paint! They then completed ABAB pattern worksheets, and we were blown away with how much they have retained about the week. Well done Steeple Cove!

We then became pattern pirates! The children spent time designing and drawing their own pirate pattern flags with lots of different patterns.

The children also explored pattern tiles and how they could balance chickpeas on the tiles using tweezers to make a continuous pattern. They found it tricky using the tweezers at first, especially when picking up items that were very small, but with lots of perseverance they managed to fill the pattern tile.



Star of the Week!



Star of the Week

Bodhi

Bodhi has made fantastic amounts of progress over this term, and we are so incredibly proud of him!

Bodhi has made it to the 'pot of gold' this week for showing amazing kindness to others, sharing and using his manners!

Well Done, Bodhi!



Yarmer Reception / Year One

We have had a very industrious and creative week. The Reception children have enjoyed using the junk modelling materials to make interesting creations. They have explored watercolour painting and have used different techniques to join materials together. Within their maths learning the Reception children have been looking at the number 9. They have explored counting out 9 objects, forming the numeral correctly and have thought about the different ways 9 is made up. The Year 1s have been thinking about doubling. They recapped their learning from last year and then explored how they can use their knowledge of doubles to work out near doubles. They have also continued consolidating their learning about number bonds to 20.







Home Learning

Reception -

- Please continue to practise reading the single letter sounds on your keyring. Keep going with the 'special friends'
 (qu th ch sh nk ng) and red words. I cannot express enough how important having a secure grasp of these sounds
 is for your little ones reading and writing journey.
- Letter formation practice worksheet 'f' 'flower'
- Maths All about number 9 worksheet

Year 1 -

- Maths doubles and near doubles worksheet
- Reading

Reading in Yarmer: Reading is key to everything your little one will do in school and we want every child to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading at home is key to this. Your child will bring home their reading record along with their RWInc books. It is really important that they read their book at least three times a week with a grown up. Please make a note of any comments in their reading record and we will follow them up in class.

Please note, Reception children will not be receiving a reading book until their newly taught phonic knowledge in fully embedded. Instead, they will be choosing library books for you to share with them. We will endeavour to visit the library each Friday.

RWInc reading books due in: Thursday Library reading books due in: Thursday

New reading books: Friday

Star of the Week!



Star of the Week Indie

Indie has been such a super star this week. She has shown such grit and determination within her learning and has worked especially hard within her maths learning. Thank you for consistently being so helpful, kind and having such a good attitude Indie!



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Last week's attendance was 87.6%

Let's try and improve next week!



Leas Foot Year One / Two

As Geographers this week, we have been exploring the countries which make up the United Kingdom in more detail, and this week we focused on Scotland and England. We spent time using a map to consider and identify some of the physical features of the countries and how they are represented on a map. Some of the physical features we found were the River Tamar, the River Thames, Scafell Pike, Ben Nevis and Loch Ness. As Scientists this week, we have been data collectors! We gathered and collated the different insects found in our school habitat on a tally chart and then presented the data in a bar chart. In our RHE learning this week, we discussed different ways to look after the school environment and how we can improve it. Finally, I have to say a huge thank you for all your support with the children's Science projects. Wow! They are amazing, and I am so proud of how excited the children have been to share their creations with the rest of the class. What superstars! Well done Y1 and 2 ③.

Home Learning

Year 1 - Maths – doubles and near doubles worksheet

Year 2 – Logging onto Times Tables Rockstars (password in reading journal) and having a go at using the website and the assigned times tables.

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RWInc reading books due in: Thursday Library reading books due in: Thursday

Home learning due in: Thursday

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Star of the Week

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Kit has shone out as an amazing listener this week, which has meant he has been able to produce some super pieces of learning. He has also gone above and beyond with helping around the classroom, especially at tidy up time.

Well done Kit
What a star!

Attendance

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 95.7% Let's try and improve next week!





Sedgewell Cove Three / Four

As Artists this week we have been using our sculpture skills. We used tin foil to create mini figures in the form of Antony Gormley, we had to think about how to form the tin foil, so it created certain shapes. Next, we are going to use wire to create similar models.

As Historians this week we have been learning who all the monarchs were in the time of the Tudors. We learnt some key facts about them, like how many wives King Henry Eighth had. We then used this knowledge to create a Tudor family tree starting off with King Henry Seventh.

We had another great forest school session this week, there were some amazing dens that were built. They were very camouflaged with Christmas Trees. Pete also had popcorn for us to cook and enjoy at the end of the session.







Home Learning

Home learning this year will consist of reading, spellings, maths, times tables and curriculum themed projects.

Reading

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Home Learning

For home learning this week, I would like you to complete a soundcheck which will be set for you when you log into Times Table Rockstars. (Logins sent home with homework and spellings).

I would also like the children to have a go at creating a small model in the form of Antony Gormley.

Spellings

Each week I will be setting the children spellings for them to learn. These will either be set from the Year 3/4 or Year 5/6 spelling lists. The children will be tested on these spellings every <u>Friday</u>.

Star of the Week



Joshua V- For such an amazing persuasive speech produced in our English lessons. You should be very proud of it Joshua!



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 92.9% Let's try and improve next week!



This Week

As Geographers this week we have been learning about the features of mountains and the different positions they are on the mountain or valley.

As writers we have been busy planning, drafting and editing our persuasive speeches about homelessness by including a wide variety of writing techniques and skills – everyone has worked really hard and written brilliant speeches.

In Computing we have been learning about paper and digital databases and have been sorting by different fields and discussing the advantages and disadvantages of both methods.

In RE we have continued to learn about the importance of the Five Pillars of Islam to Muslims and have explored the Hajj pilgrimage which many Muslims will undertake once in their life – we found it really interesting to learn the different steps taken during this trip.

As Artists we continued our sculpture work by creating small wire sculptures of a human. Butter Cove demonstrated perseverance, resilience and a respect for sculptors when manipulating this tricky medium.









Home Learning

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Home Learning

For home learning this week, I would like you to complete the multiplication activity sheets you have been given.

Spellings

The children will have a sheet of look, cover, write, check spellings to complete ready for a test on Friday 9th February

Star of the Week Star of the Week! Seb has had a really good week where he has worked hard, focused and been sensible. Well done Seb, keep it up! Attendance

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attendance matters

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 93.1% Let's try and improve next week!

Bantham Five / Six

This week

This week in Bantham, the children have continued to show fantastic perseverance. Year 6 have completed another set of SATS papers. I have been so impressed with their hard work and their improved grappling skills to working out questions. It has been so lovely to celebrate their success this week, showing how much they have learnt so far this year.

As mathematicians, Year 5 have continued to work really hard when adding and subtracting fractions. They have now even started to master subtracting mixed number fractions when they have to break into the whole. Year 6 have also been grappling this week with writing equations to solve algebraic problems. As musicians, this week the children have been exploring using glockenspiels and collectively playing chords to play along to the song we have been looking at Latin Dance. We had a lot of fun and I was really impressed with how quickly they picked up the beat to the song.

As artists this week, we explored making sculptures out of wire. The children found this much more challenging than tin foil, but they were able to confidently bend, twist and sculpt it into a human figure. We also spoke about the benefits of using tin foil vs wire as well as the cons.



Home Learning

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Reading

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Home Learning

For home learning this week, I have set a reading comprehension for the children to complete.

Spellings

Each week I will be setting the children 10 spellings for them to learn. These will come from the statutory Year 5/6 spelling lists. The children will be tested on these spellings every <u>Friday</u>.



Star of the Week

Gabriel is a lovely member of Bantham class. This week he has really impressed me with his hard work and ethic he put in to all of his learning. Gabiel has also been working super hard to improve his presentation in his work. Keep it up!



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 94.6% Let's try and improve next week!