

Weekly Newsletter: 20th October 2023

Our value this term is Responsibility.

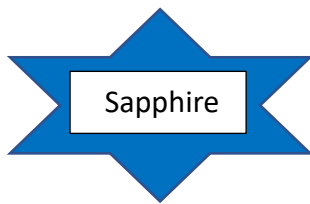
Music Squad

This week Years 3 to 6 enjoyed a visit from Music Squad, who ran a series of short lessons for each class introducing basic keyboard skills. The children had lots of fun learning to play and sing 'You've Got a Friend in Me.' If you are interested in signing your child up with Music Squad for keyboard lessons after school please contact the school office for more information.



Team Points Weekly Winners

Congratulations this week goes to:



Well done to everyone for earning their team points this week. There are always team points ready for anyone showing our values. 😊

Secondary school application.

The link is open for Year 6 parents to apply for a Secondary School place for September 2024. The closing date for these applications is 31st October 2023.

Please apply using the Parent Portal on the following link:

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/apply-for-a-school-place/annual-school-admission-procedures>

Police Visit

We were delighted to welcome CPO Hazel back into our school this week to talk to Year 5 Tigers and Year 6 Lions children. She shared lots of useful information about how to stay safe on Bonfire Night and Halloween.

🏆 Weekly Attendance 🏆

Our weekly attendance target is 97%

Class	Percentage
KV Penguins	89.6 %
KV Dolphins	93.9%
KV Pandas	93.6%
KV Leopards	91.5%
KV Jaguars	93.8%
KV Tigers	95.2%
KV Lions	89.1%
Overall, School Percentage Attendance	92.4%

Classes who reach 97% or above will be rewarded with an attendance party on Friday afternoon. Holidays in term time will not be authorised and penalties may be issued.

Arrive on Time!

Please ensure your child arrives on time. Doors open from 8:40am-9am for Reception to Year 6. Any children late after 9am, need to report to the main entrance.

Food Bank Reminder

We are still collecting for our local food banks.

Any donations of tins or packets can be brought into school next week and will be taken to the food bank before we break up for half term. Thank you for your support!



Book Recommendation:

The Leaf Thief by Alice Hemming and Nicola Slater.



This beautifully funny picture book makes the perfect bedtime story for our EYFS and KS1 children this Autumn. Squirrel loves his beautiful tree and is furious when someone keeps stealing the leaves! The story is silly but endearing and fully embraces this colourful time of year.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 24th October – RWInc. Workshop for Reception parents at 2.30pm.

Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th October – Parents Evening.

Friday 27th October – Autumn Celebration Party.

Friday 27th October – school break up for half term, normal finish time.

Tuesday 31st October – Closing date for secondary school applications.

Monday 6th November – school returns from half term break.

Class Curriculum Information

Homework information is on class Seesaw. For more curriculum information see school website.



This week Nursery Turtles shared the story 'The Rainbow Fish'. The children enjoyed looking at shiny materials. They also talked about how to be a good friend.



Reception Penguins have been exploring Autumn this week. We have been looking at Woodland Animals and how they are different to our pets at home. In Maths we have been looking at the composition of 3 through 'The 3 Little Bears.' We have enjoyed playing 'Fred Talk' games to practice our oral blending.



This week in Year 1 Dolphins we have explored life in the 1950's and compared it to our lives today. In English we have created Missing posters using descriptive language. In Maths we have continued to explore fact families. In Art we have explored famous artists and created our own bright colourful flower paintings in the style of Van Gogh.



This week, Year 2 Pandas have answered questions about our fieldwork activity which was to collect data from outside school. The children observed the different vehicles travelling past and then presented the data into a bar chart. Also this week, they have enjoyed sketching different artwork from various artists.



This week in Year 3 Jaguars we finished our class book 'Seal Surfer' the children enjoyed writing their own letters to grandad, well done everyone! The children also completed their own research focusing on the Stone Age by creating our own information booklets and posters! Next week we will be researching the Bronze Age.



This week, Year 4 Jaguars have been working on writing their own books inspired by Gorilla. We will be putting them in our class library initially, then the children will be bringing them home at the end of the term.



Year 5 Tigers have been busy writing their wonderful final pieces of writing based on our class novel 'Race to the Frozen North.' We have been working hard on our addition and subtraction problem solving skills in Maths and have enjoyed making parachutes from different materials in Science.



Year 6 Lions have been busy baking this week, part of our DT topic has been looking at processed food. We baked our own bread and compared it to processed bread, we all enjoyed the home-made bread the most! We have also had a visit from PC Hazel where she discussed some of the dangers associated with Bonfire Night and Halloween.