



# The Thursday Green 'un

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## Learning Across School

This week in **F1** we have been reading the story 'we all go travelling by'. We have learnt the names of transport and verbs such as driving, sailing and riding, we made up our own transport stories and used the concepts fast and slow.

On our painting table we explored rolling different vehicles through paint and looking at the tracks they made.

In **F2** we are reading the story 'Oliver's Vegetables'. We are finding out about the different vegetables in the book and looking at colour and texture. We have a fruit and veg shop in the role play area and we are learning the days of the week. We have been thinking about other things that keep us healthy such as drinking water, brushing teeth and exercising. We have also been thinking of food to put in a healthy lunch box.

As part of our learning in **Y1** we are investigating animals. We had a visit from Sam's Safari who brought in lots of animals for us to hold and learn about. It was very interesting and we loved learning new facts.

Every week in **Y2** we do Circle Time and we love this time together. It is a great time to practice our listening skills and help each other out with problems.

We were very lucky in **Y3** last week as we had a fantastic Eid celebration at the end of the day on Wednesday – thank you to all the parents who brought such an amazing spread of food!

We had the very delicate task in **Y4** of creating animal figures out of tin foil. This involved carefully tearing the foil in the right place and scrunching the foil to shape the animal. It turned out to be harder than you'd think, although we ended up with some great looking monkeys...and quite a few snakes!

Last week in **Y5**, we began learning about Ancient Baghdad as link to our art learning about the early Islamic civilisation. The text type we are working towards writing is a travel advert about why we should visit there. This is a really hard piece of writing to complete due to the fact that it requires us writing about completely new knowledge,

writing as a non-chronological report as well as using persuasive features – tricky!

Over the last two days, as a part of our writing lessons we have used gallery critique in order to help our understanding. Gallery critique is where examples of learning are given and children use warm and cool feedback, related to the rubric. We worked hard on making sure our feedback is kind, specific and helpful.

On Monday, we used it to look at four children's introductory paragraphs – with a focus of modal verbs and adverbs for degrees of possibility. On Tuesday, we used Miss Eden's WAGOLLS based around the information we would be writing about. Not only did it develop our critiquing skills, but it also enabled us to edit and improve our own writing (using the ideas) and gain new knowledge about Ancient Baghdad.

In **Y6** we have been busy with Aladdin. We all have different roles such as preparing props, running the music, giving stage directions, sorting costumes and obviously acting. Some scenes are nearly finished and we are becoming more confident in our roles. It is hard work though but all exciting!

## Holidays

As you will probably know school is not allowed to authorise any holidays during term time for anyone. This advice is given by the local authority and it is the local authority who decide if fines are issued. We do recognise that for families this is difficult. If you are thinking of booking a holiday for next year the best time to take children out of school is in the last half term as this will have a minimal affect on learning. If you would like to discuss this please call in to school to see Mrs Bradley.

## False / Acrylic Nails

There have been a number a cases in school of children wearing false or acrylic nails. Can we please remind you that this is not part of our uniform policy and they are not allowed to be worn by children. We will be resending the Dress Code Policy home in the new academic year. If you have any questions please call in and see us.

## Sports Days

It's that time of the year again...WCM Sports Days are approaching!

Nursery – **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June am**

F2 – Y2 – **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June am**

Y3 & Y4 – **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June pm**

Y5 & Y6 - **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June pm**

You may wish to bring a blanket or deck chair so you're comfortable. We will need families to stay in the viewing area and support the children as they take part in the events. Please note that we will be using the entrance on Shirecliffe Road (directly onto the field) as the entrance and exit point for parents.

### **WCM does Aladdin!**

So, we kicked off auditions with a bang before the holidays with over 40 Y6 actors and actresses auditioning to play roles in our end of year production, Aladdin.

We are so excited to embark on this new journey into the world of singing and dancing, this year is hopefully going to be the best performance we have ever done!

Stay posted, as tickets will soon be on sale!

### **New F2 Parents Meetings**

September sees the start of a school adventure for current Nursery children. Miss Lane and Miss Mansell are holding meetings for all new families to share information and answer any questions you may have. These will take place in the **Studio on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 9.15am or 2.30pm.**

### **Camping Residential**

Thank you to all the families who came along to the information meeting for Camping ... we set off on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July.** We will leave school, spend the day in Chatsworth Gardens and then walk to Bakewell to our campsite. The deadline for paying and booking a place is tomorrow, **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June.** This is to allow us time to make final arrangements for food orders and bookings. If you could not attend the meeting then call in to the office for more information and if you are worried about any aspect of the visit please come and talk to someone in school.

### **Summer Reading Challenge**

The **Summer Reading Challenge** combines **FREE** access to books with fun, creative activities in libraries during the summer holidays. Throughout the challenge, library staff and young volunteers support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading,

#### **How the Challenge works**

- Children sign up at their local library, it's free to take part, they will help our super space family, The Rockets, as they track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens!
- Children borrow and read at least six library books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers, to complete their

super Space Race collector's folder, and incentives along the way

- Library staff and young volunteers are on hand to advise and run family-friendly activities.
- Children who complete the **Summer Reading Challenge** are presented with a certificate and a medal.

### **Closure of Boynton Road**

We will be taking part in the South Yorkshire 10 day Active Travel challenge from **10<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019**, to try and persuade as many families as possible to leave their car at home and choose an active way to get to school. Closing the road will compliment the challenge and will also raise awareness of 'Clean Air Day' 2019.

Boynton Road will be closed to traffic from **8-9.15am on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June** from the junction with Shirecliffe Road and the junction of Longley Avenue West. There will be appropriate signage on surrounding roads. If you have to drive to school please find an alternative safe place to park as you will be unable to enter Boynton Road with a vehicle. Blue badge holders are exempt and will be allowed access but please get in touch before the event so we can plan accordingly (Officer contact details below).

We really appreciate your support for this event. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this temporary road closure, please do get in touch with: Kathryn Harrison, Senior Transport Planner, Sheffield City Council TEL: 07853243440 or via email: [Kathryn.harrison@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:Kathryn.harrison@sheffield.gov.uk).

### **Tomato Plants**

We will be selling tomato plants in the office for 50p each. These have been grown from seed by Mick, our volunteer gardener. All money raised will go in to school fund. Why not try your hand at growing your own!

### **Things Coming Up...**

Sports Days

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June am** - Nursery

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June am** - F2 – Y2

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June pm** - Y3 & Y4

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June pm** - Y5 & Y6

**4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> July** - Y3 Camping Residential

**5<sup>th</sup> July** - Reports to families

**11<sup>th</sup> July** - Y6 Performance

**17<sup>th</sup> July** – WCM Summer Carnival

**16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Silver Showroom

**19<sup>th</sup> July** – Y6 Prom

**22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Y6 Always Children Visit

**23<sup>rd</sup> July** – Y6 Leaver's Assembly

We break up for the Summer Holidays at the end of the day on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.**