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Soudley News

The award for attendance this week goes to — Otters Class !!



Dates for Diary

June

9th June —Netball Competition (selected pupils)

10th June—Houses of Parliament Trip (selected pupils)

11th June—2pm Cyber Security Session for Parents (School Hall)

17th June—Sports Day

19th June- Y5/6s to Soudley for sports activities

23rd -25th June—Yr 5 & Yr 6 Viney Hill Residential Trip

30th June—Yr 5 Taster Day at The Dean Academy

July

3rd July—EVFS and KS1 trip to Porthcawl beach

18th July—Last day of term

21st July—INSET Day



ICEPOP AND SWEET SALE

On the playground

Every Friday at 3:10pm

Lollies—30p

Sweets—50p

All money raised will go
towards the Year 6
leavers trip!

Hedgehogs Class—Don't forget your swimming kits on Tuesdays!

This week in Hedgehogs Class...

It is hard to believe that we are in the final term of the year! This week we have been as busy as ever. Our new

topic is Space and we have already learnt the difference between comets and meteors. We have been reading the book Look Up by Nathan Byron and will be looking at the life of Mae Jemison who was the first black woman to travel in space in 1992.

Our year 1s have been doing lots of reading in preparation for their phonics screening check next week. Please please continue to listen to your children read at home. It is so important for their progress and remember to write any reading in the reading record.

Swimming was a fabulous experience for everyone. Some of the children had never been in a pool before and were so brave trying something new. We can't wait for next week.

In Maths this week KS1 have been learning to tell the time. Reception and Preschool have been learning about shapes.

Well done everyone for great week.

Mrs Saeed



In Moles this week...

PE Federation Trip

On Wednesday, we had a fantastic federation trip to Woodside Primary. The children got to try out all sorts of PE games including golf, cricket, curling, dodgeball and archery. It was so lovely to see them working and playing together. Even lovelier was watching them remember each other from previous events and continue to build those friendships!

Maths

In maths, we've been looking at finding unit and non-unit fractions of amounts and objects. The children have worked really well using different methods and are getting more confident every day.

Literacy

We've started our new text — *The BFG*! The children are really enjoying the story so far. We've been using Roald Dahl's amazing language to help us write character descriptions and come up with our own similes. Some brilliant ideas have been shared already!

Science

In science, we've been exploring magnetic fields and testing how they work with different objects. Lots of great investigating going on, and the children have really enjoyed experimenting and making predictions.

DT

We've started our new topic in DT all about automata toys. The children are learning what they are and how they move — we're looking forward to getting creative and designing our own soon!

French

In French, we've been learning numbers up to 30. The children have picked it up really quickly and have enjoyed practising together in class games and activities.

Nurture Room

In Moles Nurture Room, we've been reading plenty of lovely stories together. We've also been working hard on our phonics, focusing on the *ai* and *ee* sounds. In maths, we've been practising our number bonds to 20 — the children have done a great job remembering and using them in different ways.

Have a great weekend, Miss Cameron



In Otters this week...

A Great Start to Our Final Term!

It's been a lovely first week back, and it's hard to believe we're already into our final term of the year—and the first week has flown by!

In writing, we've started our new class text, *The BFG* by Roald Dahl. The children have enjoyed reading the first three chapters and getting stuck into Dahl's wonderful language. They've been busy using noun phrases, expanded noun phrases, prepositional phrases and fronted adverbials to describe characters and settings. So far, they've created some brilliant Wanted posters, character descriptions and setting descriptions—lots of imagination on show already!

In maths, Year 5 have kicked off their new topic on angles. They've been learning what an angle actually is, how to describe turns, and how to use a protractor to measure accurately. Year 6 have been revisiting some key learning from earlier in the year—looking at calculating fractions, converting between fractions, decimals and percentages, and finding percentages of amounts.

We've also begun our new guided reading text: *Malala: My Story of Standing Up for Girls' Rights* by Malala Yousafzai. The children are really enjoying it so far and are fascinated by her story—they're keen to learn more about her life and the different culture she grew up in.

In geography, the children learnt about the features of mountain ranges and created some beautifully detailed, labelled drawings. During our SCARF lesson this week, we talked about different emotions and how various situations can make us feel in different ways. We also joined in with the NSPCC's *Speak Out, Stay Safe* online assembly, where the children learnt about the importance of speaking up and the tools they have to help keep themselves safe.

In PE with Mr Knight, the children had an orienteering session out on the school field. They practised reading simple maps and following instructions—it was lovely to see them working together and enjoying being outdoors.

And finally—some very exciting news! On Wednesday, we handed out parts for our summer production. The children will be bringing home their completed scripts on Monday—watch this space!

Just a quick note: there'll be no homework set this week while we settle into our new topics. Homework will be back as usual from next Thursday.

Have a fantastic weekend,

Mrs Mclean



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FOSS Newsletter

We have some fun and exciting events happening over the next few weeks, although these events aren't necessarily parties everything we do is in the interest of the school and the children - raising essential funds for us to be able to support trips, IT equipment and other essential equipment to aid the children's education and school experience

Volunteers Needed

We would like to thank those that have helped with the Orchard project and the vegs on the school field, but there's still plenty more to be done and will still need more volunteers to complete the work. Please let FOSS know if you can help in any way, we really appreciate anything you can do to help.

Find us on Facebook:
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School

A Friendly Reminder About Our Facebook Page
We love keeping you updated through our Facebook page! It's a space where we share:

- 📅 Upcoming events
- 🏆 School progress and achievements
- 💰 Fundraising news and opportunities

To keep our community space positive and focused, we kindly ask that any complaints or concerns be sent directly to us via email. This helps us respond more effectively and ensures the page remains a helpful resource for everyone.

Please note:

We reserve the right to remove individuals, comments or disable commenting if necessary to maintain a respectful and supportive environment.

🙌 FOSS is run entirely by volunteers, and we truly appreciate your kindness, patience, and continued support.

Thank you for being part of our community!

If you would like
to join FOSS
please drop us
an email or chat
to one of us on
the playground

Upcoming events

Next FOSS meeting
21st June - Bingo night at
the White Horse
11th July - end of year
celebration - details to
follow

More Events Coming Soon

We have a large selection of pre-loved uniform available in our uniform shop, please let us know if there is anything you need and we can have a look for you.

There is a small charge for this service of 50p per item or £4 for 10 items but please do reach out to FOSS should you need our support.

This service is available all year round.

Just drop us on email or approach any of the FOSS committee on the playground



Don't forget you can label your child's uniform and support FOSS by purchasing your labels at www.stikins.co.uk using fundraising number 18190



Orchard project



We have made some amazing progress in the top section of the orchard, although there's still lots to do we really appreciate the help we have received so far.

We have been able to make our own chippings to use in other areas of the school, thanks to Hales & Co for the donation of the use of a chipper last weekend.

