

Message from SLT

Happy New Year to all our families and supportive community members. We do hope 2024 brings all of our families and young people some joy and positive experiences. We aim to do our part in thinking of as many activities and opportunities to bring learning and fun into our pupils' lives this year.

Unfortunately, the weather again has indications that we may have a continuation of the cold snap next week with the risk of ice and snow. As always, we aim to be open whenever we think it is safe to do so.



Please be aware of our messaging system through Arbor over the coming days and weeks in case we need to contact you out of hours. During this cold time, we do endeavor to keep our full range of curriculum activities running. Please ensure your son or daughter has everything they need each day to keep warm and dry.

Please also note that we now have a sling servicing session next week on 23rd and 24th January, but this has had to be moved back from 15th and 16th January.

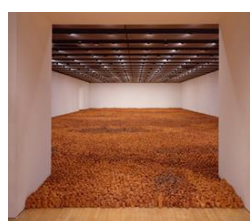
For this to be completed you will need to ensure that all slings are available in school for the team here and the technician to thoroughly examine and pass the equipment for safety on these days.

Our thematic curriculum connectors depending on your child's class are

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Ancient Greece, Ancient Egypt or Myths and legends. This is in place to support the class teams to find stimulus and motivators to guide the activities for learning that they do. It will also influence the change in the immersive environment that the pupils experience in their classroom.

Our artist of the term will be Anthony Gormley. He is a British sculptor. He is famous for the Angel of the North, another place, and The field. All of which present debate about the human form and condition. This is something which we feel we as a community can develop in a relevant way considering the lived experiences of our pupils, families and staff.



Within our context it will provide opportunities for creative learning through materials such as clay including development of engagement and participation through; fine motor skills, sensory experience - animations arrangement work.

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We aim to incorporate the work our young people do within our shared activities and events this term.

Pupils of the week

Talha in Grey Thompson class: for increasing engagement in activities.

A female learner in Reeve Class: for holding a cup independently and taking to her mouth.



- 23+24/01/24 – Sling servicing days
- 14/02/24 – Midyear reports to parents
- 15/02/24 – Spring event 1 for parents
- 27/02/24 – Parents evening
- 21/03/24 -- Spring event 2 for parents
- 28/03/24 – INSET day school closed
- 29/3/24 - School holiday
- 15/04/24 - School returns

And around school...

We have installed our new harvest inspired wreath in the school hall.



This was compiled from the results of the creativity at the Harvest Gathering 2023.



Parents joined the children to work together on these creations and celebrate with a dance to the Harvest Samba and Jerusalem.



This is what Reeve class has been doing this week.

Reeve class has explored the Ancient Egypt this week by designing various Egyptian inspired art work for our 'Treasures of the River Nile' display.



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The learners have been playing with sand and using different techniques



such as tea bags and coffee to stain the paper to create papyrus. We also have decorated Egyptian necklaces and the



River Nile using different crafts. Reeve class enjoyed learning more about Egypt and its history throughout the week.

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