



News Sheet

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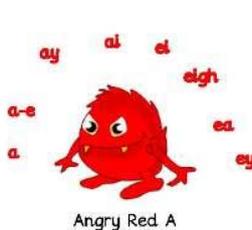
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Another busy week - Inspiring Creative Learners

Monster Phonics

This week we shared our approach to phonics with parents of children in KS1. Monster phonics is a whole-class synthetic phonics scheme with decodable books for children in Reception and KS1. Monster phonics teaches children to read by enabling them to identify individual graphemes (letter combinations) and blend the sounds (phonemes) together to read the word. It is a fun way to learn phonics as it is multi-sensory. Sounds are categorised into ten colour groups and each colour has a corresponding monster character. We hope that parents found the session useful. If you were unable to attend please have a look at the slideshow that was sent home and contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.

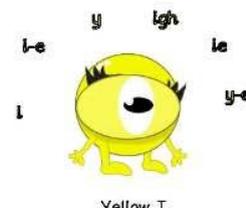
Find out more at the [Monster Phonics website](#)



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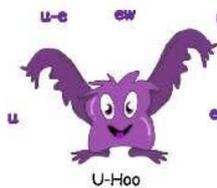
Green Froggy



Yellow I



Miss Oh No



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Cool Blue



Brown Owl



Ghosts



Tricky Witch



Preschool

Last week we were learning all about Freethorpe, the buildings we see on our way to school and when we are out for walks in the village. We used google earth to zoom in on some of these places.

We are now looking at Farming. We have been ploughing the field with our tractors, planting seeds to see how they grow and making tractor marks with the 'big' rollers and paint.



Barrier Reef Class R and Y1

We have enjoyed exploring the history of Bonfire night and Guy Fawkes. We created Firework pictures using a variety of techniques including using chalk and glitter. We also looked at Remembrance basing our activities around the poppy. One of the techniques involved finger painting the poppy fields after learning about the poppies being the first flower to grow after the war ended. We have been learning to retell the story of the Gingerbread man which we are beginning to use to develop individual story telling.

Mount Everest Class Y1 and 2



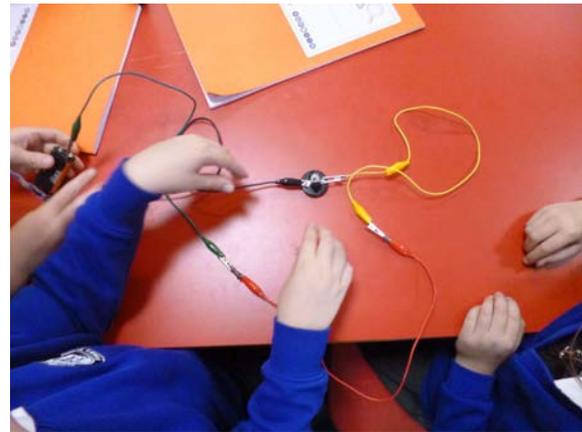
Pupils in Mount Everest Class have enjoyed learning about printing in art sessions. Last week, we created firework pictures using fluorescent paint. This week we will be learning about potato printing and we will learn about the work of Orla Kiely and repeated patterns using printing. In topic work, we have enjoyed food tasting and this is the starting point for our design and technology work where we will be creating our own snacks. We have also been learning about different types of music from around the world, thinking about musical terminology such as rhythm and beat. Pupils have enjoyed learning about the story of Rama and Sita in their english lessons and we are now moving on to our instructions unit of work based on the book Nadiya's Bake Me a Celebration Story.

We have had another wonderful two weeks in Victoria Falls Class. In English we have been looking at playscripts and the main elements of these. The children created some wonderful playscripts of their own.

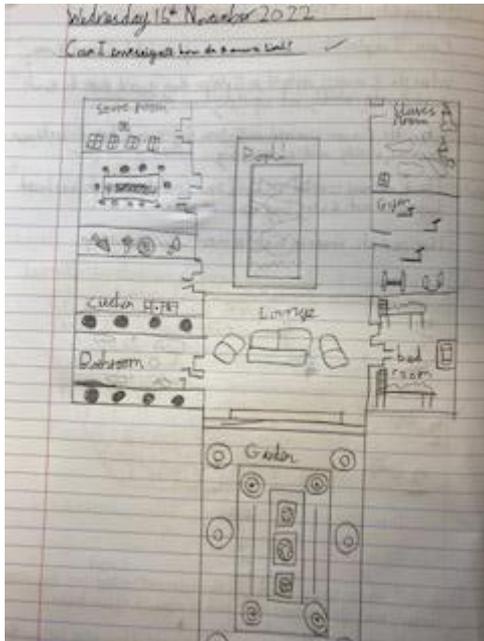
In maths the children have been learning column method for addition and subtraction and all the children have been practising this with a range of questions.

In topic we have been continuing to look at the Romans and thinking about how the Romans lived. In science we have been thinking about circuits and we have all enjoyed creating circuits with bulbs and switches.

Victoria Falls Class Y3



Grand Canyon Class Y4 and 5



Grand Canyon Class have been learning about playscripts over the past 2 weeks in English, we have learnt the different key features and been able to apply them when writing our own scripts on the story of Boudicca. This linked in with our topic work, as we have been discovering more about the Iceni tribe that was based here in East Anglia during the Roman Invasion. We have researched how the Iceni tribe lived and compared it to how we live today as well as understanding the importance of certain items such as Torcs. We found that there were some similarities but overall our way of life is much different to what it was like during the time of Boudicca. We have also designed the interiors of a Roman Villa.

Northern Lights class have been writing brilliant brochures the last two weeks, enticing their readers to visit Sicily and for new children to join our school! We've been looking at the lives of Boudicca and the Iceni throughout our topic as well as getting to grips with factors, multiples and square/cube numbers in maths!

Our Year 6s also attended Bikeability training this week and had a great time learning to ride their bikes safely (and getting really really wet!)

Northern Lights Class Y5 and 6



Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.1%
Current updated Freethorpe Primary School attendance= 94.74 %
(Up to 18.11.22)

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
1.12.22	2:30pm	Parent Share Event- Mount Everest Class- Indian Snacks
5-9. 12.22	8:45-10am Daily	Preschool Open Morning Week
8.12.22	3pm	Parent Share Event- KS2- Victoria Falls, Grand Canyon and Northern Lights- Roman Army
13th, 14th, 15th. 12.22	2pm each afternoon	Nativity
14.12.22	7pm	KS2 Carol Concert Halvergate Church

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday
 = Staff Training Days (The remaining 2 Inset Days will be disaggregated into 6 Twilights, 1 per Half Term)

All in-term holiday requests will be classed as unauthorised absences. This will likely result in a fixed penalty notice being issued from Norfolk County Council.

In Norfolk, penalty notices are issued in accordance with the Norfolk Local Protocol. In all cases a penalty notice can only be issued if the pupil has accrued at least 9 sessions (4.5 school days) of unauthorised absence within the previous 6 school weeks. This would result in a fine of £60 per child per parent ie; for a family with 2 children this would total £240

The leaflet below has more information about fixed penalty notices.

[Fixed Penalty Notices](#)