

Explore and Discovery Week: A World Of Pure Imagination!

What an amazing week to end the half term!

Our Explore and Discovery Week has generated much enjoyment and laughter as children have been inspired to use their imagination to create.

Every year group started the week exploring a piece of art work that was their stimulus for the learning for the rest of the week, from collaging Elmer to plastics in the ocean to creating ships in bottles. There has been cardboard, glue, paint and mess! We must say thank you to our cleaners who have done an amazing job, especially on Monday as they hunted down every piece of confetti throughout the building (and there was a lot....) We ended the week with a fabulous finish - a display in the hall of the learning journey for each year group.

We have also seen some 'interesting' staff and child outfits, not forgetting incredible hairstyles which has added to the fun and to the colour. Thank you to our parents for helping your child to create their outfits!

Our children continued to have fun after school at the Pumpkin Party and Halloween Disco, both events were fun and enjoyed by all.

Year 3 also had a very exciting day at ThinkTank, learning lots and making their teachers proud with super manners and behaviour.

Also, thank you to our parents who came to the Reception meetings on Wednesday – this learning will really help you support your child in their important phonic journey.

Year 6 are back! The staff have loved it because the children have been brilliant. Mrs Dickson does a great job in organising our residential trips and was proud of all the children for stepping up to many new and varied challenges. Good luck to our parents unpacking those suitcases.

Eight weeks is a long half term so it is time to stop and re-charge the batteries.

Have a wonderful half term everyone and hopefully the sun will continue to shine so we can get out and about to enjoy the changing colours of Autumn.

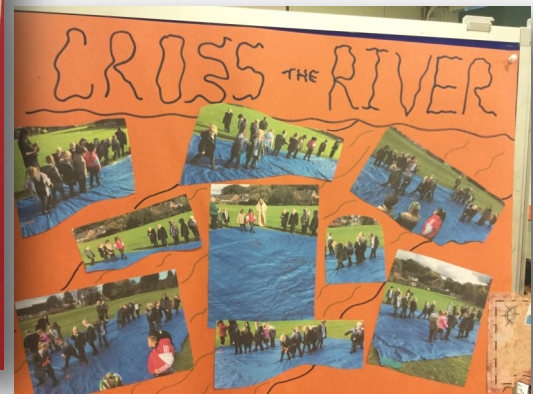
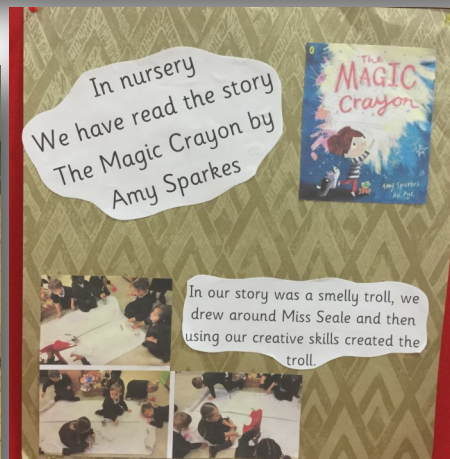
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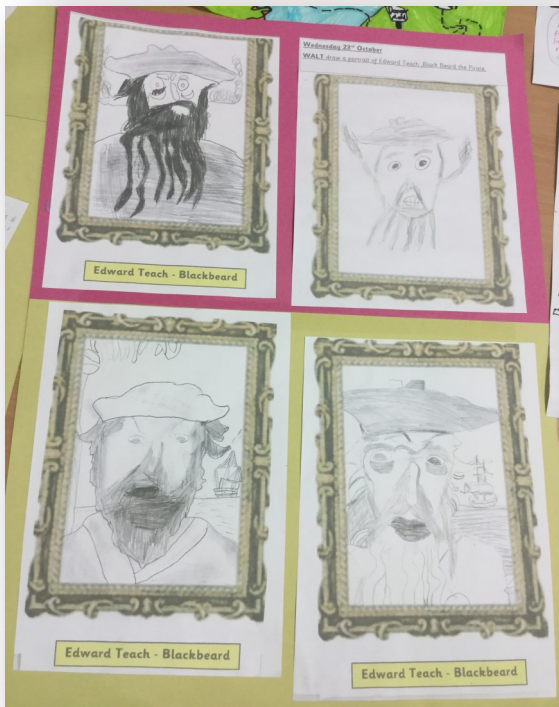


**Our theme music for the week.
Can our parents name the film?**

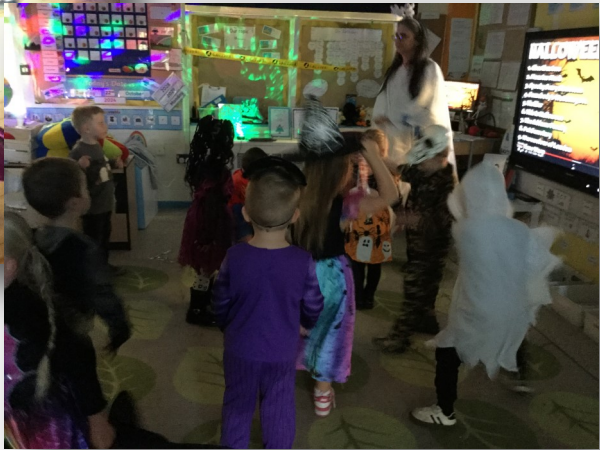


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Halloween and Pumpkin Fun!





Y3 Exploring!

On Tuesday, Year 3 visited Thinktank in Birmingham and had great fun exploring this wonderful museum.

They explored four levels of fun including; Our World; The Factory; The Past and The Science Garden. They also took part in a Forces and Friction workshop.

We think their favourite was the Science Garden!

Miss Adams and Mrs Golightly





We love Forest School!

On Monday we welcomed visitors from another Walsall school who are looking to set up their own forest school and so they came to visit for inspiration. Miss Noakes happily shared the exciting world of Woodlands Forest School and Y2 demonstrated how fabulous and imaginative Woodlands children are as they created 'A Home for a Gnome!'.

Our visitors were very impressed! Well done to Miss Noakes who leads forest school with enthusiasm, passion and fun!

It really is loved by all.



National Restart A Heart Day on Wednesday 16th October provided an ideal opportunity for Year 5 and Year 6 to learn and practise CPR techniques and life-saving skills. Thank you to First Response First Aid (FRFA) and Mr Pedley who led these important (and fun) first aid workshops for our children.



IMPORTANT: Calling all Year 6 families

Year 6 parents please remember to complete the application form for your choice of secondary school for your child by 31st October. In order to apply you must submit an on-line application through the Secondary Admissions web page of Walsall Council Website



We will be selling these Remembrance Day items after the holiday in school. Please send the money in an envelope listing what your child would like, their name and class.

Thank you.

So many children achieving out of school:

Ava Maria and Olivia for achieving in their swimming skills, Jamie for his boxing. Amelia for dancing and Oliver and Jaxon for their football skills. I don't think we have ever had a trophy in school quite as big as Jaxon's!



Who are the SUPERSTARS this week?



Class	Name	Reason
NAM	All Morning children	For working hard to understand the meaning of 'imagination,' developing their skills through a variety of tasks and coming up with amazing ideas!
NPM	All After-noon children	For working hard to understand the meaning of 'imagination,' developing their skills through a variety of tasks and coming up with amazing ideas!
RG	Zachary	For his increased input to our class learning and discussions. Zachary has been working really hard to answer questions all about 'where's my teddy?' story. J
RJ	Talia	For showing amazing team leadership skills when we had to find away across the river rapids – Talia led her team brilliantly and they all got safely across – well done!
1W	Evie T	For fantastic editing and publishing of her independent writing. Evie fixed any mistakes she made before publishing her work in her neatest handwriting. Well done Evie! J
1S	Storm F	For a fantastic diary entry written from the perspective of Mrs Bear. Storm worked independently and used capital letters and full stops. Well done Storm!
2CP	Haaris H	Becoming more confident towards his learning. Haaris is now asking and answering questions with accuracy, detail and explanation. Well done Haaris
2D	2D	For all trying hard with their first attempt at SAT's papers. All children completed tests to the best of their ability. Well done 2D!!
3A	Haiden F	For putting 100% effort into anything he does and always being ready to learn. Haiden is a wonderful role model to others and he does everything with a smile. Well done Haiden!
3G	Luna-Rose D	Excellent participation in writing sessions. Luna generated and shared ideas for our non-chronological report about Mary Anning. She produced writing to be proud of.
4R	Jamie R	For rounding 4 digit numbers to the nearest 1000. Jamie then extended his learning by creating his own 4 digit numbers on a whiteboard and rounding them accurately. Well done superstar!
4N	Gurfateh	Super use of tone, texture and negative space on his final piece of artwork.
5HO	Harrison	For his fabulous attempt to create his boat. I am so proud.
5HA	Jacob M	For creating a wonderful treasure map board game with detailed instructions, a description and playing pieces. I am so proud.

Dates on the horizon

Monday 4th November	School opens
Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th 2D rearranged Parent Consultation	
Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th	Reception Road Safety Walk with a parent
Monday 11th November	Anti Bullying week starts and Odd Socks Day
Friday 15th November	Children In Need. Non uniform for a donation of £1.00 through Scopay
Friday 15th November	Last day for Christmas Dinner Orders.
Tuesday 19th November	2:45, 2CP Class Assembly, parents invited
Tuesday 19th November	4:00 Y5 Parents, Queen Mary Grammar Schools Information Meeting
Wednesday 20th November	Y1 visit to the Toy Museum
Friday 22nd November	Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Fayre Items
Tuesday 26th November	2:45, 1S Class Assembly, parents invited
Wednesday 27th November	11:00 Christmas Dinner for Y4 and a parent / carer
Wednesday 27th November	Evening Walsall Arena Performance by the choir
Thursday 28th November	Y2 visit to Black Country Living Museum
Friday 29th November	1:45 Y3 Parents invited to a Bag a breakfast workshop (Booked places only)
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Fayre
Friday 6th December	Y6 Flu nasal vaccination (and for children that missed the first vaccination)
Friday 6th December	9:00 Assembly 'The Wonderful World of Water' for Y4
Wednesday 11th December	11:00 Christmas Dinner for Y3 and a parent / carer. Christmas dinner for all the school. Parents need to book their child's dinner through Scopay by Friday 15th November.
Thursday 12th December	Y4 visit to The Black Country Museum (change in date)
Tuesday 17th December	Y6 visit to the Theatre
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Performances: 9:15 Nursery & Reception. 2:00 Y1 & Y2
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Performances: 9:15 Y1 & Y2. 2:00 Nursery & Reception
Thursday 19th December	School closes at the end of the day for children
Friday 20th December	Teacher Training Day
Monday 6th January	School opens for everyone

FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK!

2CP and 3A achieved 99%

Very well done to these children and their families.

Information from parents or external local groups that have asked Woodlands to share with the school community

PUMPKIN CARVING Event

Children of all ages welcome!

Booking essential

29 October
10am - 12pm
Willenhall Memorial Park

To book your place email:
Richard.Phillips@walsall.gov.uk

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8-WEEKS FROM 21st OCT

Healthy Spaces Fitness Programme

Fitness Bootcamp

Days	Times	Locations
Monday	9:30am	Walsall Arboretum
Friday	9:30am	Holland Park (Brownhills)

New

Fun full-body workouts suitable for all fitness levels.

Boxing Skills & Fitness

Days	Times	Locations
Tuesday	9:30am	Holland Park (Brownhills)
Thursday	9:30am	Walsall Arboretum

New

Develop fundamental boxing skills over 8-weeks through the GB Boxing Awards programme*

[*A medal & certificate awarded on completion]

For more info: matthew.mason@walsall.gov.uk

FAMILY TENNIS & FUN GAMES SESSIONS

Willenhall Memorial Park
Wednesday 30th October
11am-12pm
Children aged 6+ welcome
Fun, tennis-based session for all abilities

Palfrey Park
Thursday 31st October
1pm-2pm
Children aged 6+ welcome
Fun, tennis-based session for all abilities

FREE ACTIVITIES

Rackets are supplied for both sessions, but feel free to bring your own!

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Places are limited so please contact Dan Craggs
Daniel.Craggs@walsall.gov.uk or
07341 792293 to register your interest & book a place



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TEACHING INTERNSHIPS

earn £1275 for a 3 week internship

Are you an undergraduate looking to find out if a career in teaching maths, physics, computing or a foreign language* is for you?

*we offer foreign language places for those wishing to teach Spanish, French or German

Undergraduates looking to teach maths, physics, chemistry, computing or a foreign language* at any stage within their degree may participate in the Teaching Internships Programme.

The 3 week programme will commence on Monday 16th June 2025

The internship will give you a real insight into what it is like to be a teacher. You will shadow some of our most accomplished teachers, work with pupils to support their learning and even get a chance to try your hand at some teaching as well!

Application Form



Participating placement schools can be found on our website.
You can find out more here:

www.careerinteaching.co.uk

Further information

Email Michael (SCITT Director)
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Mental Health Support Team

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Reflexions are offering a number of free workshops during the October Half Term to support children and young people's mental health and wellbeing.

REFLEXIONS HALLOWEEN EVENT

Tuesday 29th October 2024
3pm - 6pm

Reflexions allotment, Old Park Road, Wednesbury
(Opposite the black horse pub)

Activities include:

- Craft activities such as pumpkin carving and creating a dream catcher or wind chime.
- Worry Management workshop.

This event is taking place outside so please make sure you wear appropriate clothing.

Limited spaces are available, so please sign up via bchfr.reflexions@nhs.net to secure your place.

CRAFT N CHAT WORKSHOP

Thursday 31st October 2024
Drop in anytime between 10am - 2pm

Walsall Art Gallery, Walsall, WS2 8LG





SHOE BOX APPEAL

SUPPORT SOMEONE IN NEED TODAY

MLSS is requesting you to prepare a shoebox of gifts for someone who is facing homelessness or hardships. Items such as:

Please do not wrap the shoe boxes as they will be gifted with other things and may need to be opened.

Toiletries

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Shower gel
- Wet wipes
- Toothbrush
- Comb
- Hair brush
- Toilet paper
- Disposable gloves
- Gloves
- Deodorant
- Roll on
- Moisturiser
- Hand cream

Treats

- Chocolates
- Sweets
- Crisps
- Biscuits
- Soup
- Drinks
- Biscuits
- Crisps
- Vegetarian tinned food
- Tea
- Coffee

Other

- Small towels
- Hats
- Gloves
- Underwear
- Socks
- Thermals
- Torches

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