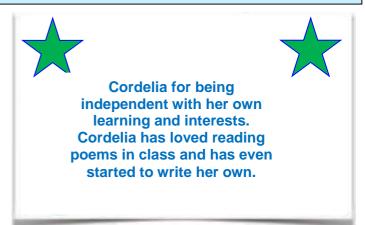


Early Years Talk-Talk

Friday 28th May 2021







Message from Mrs Grainger

In light of the latest concerns regarding the new variant, it is only sensible to continue with the cautious ways of working, to try and minimise increased spread. Staffordshire County Council have launched a "Don't Give Up Now" campaign. We are all asked to keep following the guidelines, get tested twice a week and to book a vaccination when we're offered one.

As we approach the end of the year and the better weather please take note of this message from the DfE:

School attendance continues to be mandatory for all pupils and the usual rules on school attendance apply. This includes parents' duty to ensure their child regularly attends school, and schools' and local authorities' ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, for poor attendance.

As restrictions begin to lift, we know some families may be looking to take holidays during term time. As usual, parents and carers should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school on holiday.

Finally, the sun seems to have made an appearance in time for next week and I hope that you have a wonderful half term break.

Whit Week Holiday

Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021 – back to school for Summer Term 2 on Monday 7th June 2021.

Message from Early Years

This week has been a VERY exciting week...

We have been making crowns, making princes and princesses out of playdough, writing our own stories, writing invitations for the Medieval Banquet, learning a Medieval dance, threading, making our own puppets, acting out stories, painting a Royal picture of ourselves, exploring the coded caterpillar and using the iPads to record our performances (singing and dancing).

This week we have shown a real interest in finding out information using the iPads. We have also used the iPads to find out how to draw different pictures. We followed the instructions and created AMAZING pictures!

Let's not forget about the Medieval Banquet that we had. We were all a little nervous but during the Banquet we performed our Medieval dance to each other.

Take a look at some of the pictures from our day on Twitter. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all of the parents and carers for their super efforts with making or buying the costumes. They were fantastic!

The staff in Early Years would like to take this opportunity to say how proud we are of all the children. They amaze us every day with their learning and we can't wait for our next theme 'How many pebbles on the beach?'

We hope you all have a lovely break ☺





We have had a lovely week in Nursery, finishing our theme, 'Do Dragons Exist.' We drew our own dragons and the children labelled them. The children are getting very good at hearing the sounds in words, and they are producing some lovely writing to go with their pictures. We have painted Royal portraits this week, looking in the mirror at our faces and trying to be accurate when we paint them. We decorated our portraits with jewels and a crown, and we all looked very Regal.

On Thursday, the children looked amazing when they came in wearing their Royal costumes for our Medieval banquet. This was a great success! The children performed a Medieval dance for us! It was lovely to be able to be with the Reception class at last, although we were socially distanced of course! Thank you for providing such beautiful costumes for the children. We have some lovely photographs from the day, and I will be printing them out so that you all get a photo.

Next half term, we are talking about the seaside and holidays for our new theme 'How many pebbles on a beach?'

If you happen to go to the beach in the half term break, maybe you could collect some pebbles or shells that we can show to the children. Wishing you a happy half term!







