



Inspire. Challenge. Learn

THE FAMILY NEWS

POOL HAYES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Families,

Your children have been busy learners this week! even though the weather has made classrooms a bit warm at times, this hasn't stopped your children!

Years 1 and 2 have completed their phonics check. Every single child has done their best and that's all we can ask of any of them. Mrs. Pugh, Miss Darby and all of the staff who work with them are extremely proud of them.

Year 4 children have worked hard all year embedding their times table knowledge. Their multiplication check was this week. Each child had 6 seconds to type in the solution to a multiplication question. Again, the children showed their great attitudes to learning by doing their absolute best. Mr. Harris, Mrs. Guy and the other staff who work with the children are very proud of them. Having embedded times tables knowledge will benefit them enormously as they develop their mathematical knowledge and skill moving into Upper Key Stage 2 in September.

Our gardeners worked hard on Tuesday tending to the pots at the front of school. Mrs. Devey works with them to guide them as they nurture our flowers, fruit and vegetables from seed and bulb into fully grown plants. They're doing a marvellous job.

Thank you to the families who have contacted me to check I know about a van parked on the school grounds overnight this week. We've had some work completed on our lighting at school. Our expensive fluorescent lights have been replaced by LEDs and will be taken for recycling. You may notice the lighting upgrade includes our outdoor lights. This was funded by the DfE and will hopefully make a big difference to our energy bills.

Finally, our lovely Nursery class has spaces for September. If you know anyone who is interested in acquiring a space for their child, please direct them to our website ([here](#)) where there is a link to apply directly.

Have a wonderful weekend. I will see you all on Monday.

Kind Regards,
Mrs. Kelly Vaughan

Attendance for This Week

Whole School Attendance

95.4%

Whole School Attendance from September

92.1%

Highest Attendance this Week

98.6%

Violet Class

Help us by ensuring your child comes to school as long as they are well enough to attend.



It's the turn of Years 5 and 6 in the mobile library this week. Please remember to bring your books back so they can be changed or borrowed for a little while longer.

Salus populi suprema lex – "The welfare of the people is the highest law"

Stars of The Week

Our Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery
Aishmeet Kaur

For always tidying up - even when she isn't asked

Reception
Toby Barnett
For being kind and helpful

Year 1
Finn Richardson
For his lovely puppet design

Year 2
Avani Kumari
For a great attitude to her learning

Year 3
Harrison Parker
For working hard in RE

Year 4
Seth Williams
For making a good start to Year 4 since joining us

Year 5
Tyler Bonser
For his wonderful reading journal reviews each week

Year 6
George Clarke
For a super attitude to learning

Rainbow Writer

Our Rainbow Writers for this week are as follows;

Nursery
Skye-Rose Cooper
For writing her name independently

Reception
Varshini Alankumar
For super writing about her journey

Year 1
Eias Marufi
For his great diary entry for an alien

Year 2
Romero Lindsay
For a lovely narrative retelling a story

Year 3
Teddy Flanagan
For writing a great description of a dragon

Year 4
Elsie Webber
For taking ownership of and improving her handwriting

Year 5
Ethan Baker
For empathetic journalism about the Windrush generation

Year 6
Jessica Leech
For writing a super setting for a narrative

Lunchtime Stars Of The Week

Reception
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Year 1
Eknor Kaur
For being a positive role model

Year 2
Charlotte Butler
For being polite, kind and helpful

Year 3
Taly Haywood
For always using beautiful manners

Year 4
Seth Williams
For settling into school well and being polite

Year 5
The Whole Class
For beginning to show greater understanding of care to one another

Year 6
Matthew Salmon-McCombs
For being an excellent Kindness Champion

Mr Carter's Star Pupil of The Week

William Bryan

For being a role model

P.E. Stars Of The Week

Our P.E Stars of The Week are as follows;



Nursery

Rossco Fisher

For his speedy skills in PE

Reception

Evan Staffiere

For working very hard on his athletic skills

Year 1

Isla Brookes

For being on task and ready to learn in PE

Year 2

Alfie Bryan

For working hard to do his best in P.E.

Year 3

Alice Evans

For her great work and wonderful attitude in P.E.

Year 4

Elsie Webber

For helping others in P.E.

Year 5

Alfie Richards

For working hard on his athletic skills

Year 6

Michael Harley-Newton

For his great work improving his athletic skills

PHP's TT Rockstars

Our Maths Stars of The Week are as follows;



Year 2

Finn Pugh

For great practice work

Year 3

Oliver Geary

For putting in the most effort on TTRS

Year 4

The Whole Class

For completing the multiplication check

Year 5

Ahmed Syed

For the most effort on TTRS this week

Georgia Sephton

For her great retention of maths skills

Kindness Champion Award

Alice Whitehouse

Kindness
MATTERS

30th Jun - KS2 Sports Day (2pm start - look at Class Dojo for gate opening time)
3rd Jul - Y4 Enginuity Museum trip
4th Jul - EYFS Sports Day (9:15)
3rd-4th Jul - Y6 Transition Days to PHA
4th-5th Jul - Parents' Evening
6th Jul - KS1 Sports Day (9:30 start)
19th Jul - Reception Graduation
21st Jul - Y6 Leavers' Assembly
21st Jul - End of term (school closes 3:15)

Absences

Please report your child's absence to school using Professor Attendance on Class Dojo or contacting the office. You can use Class Dojo or the school absence line. This is part of our attendance and safeguarding procedure. Please do not contact Mrs Davis directly this half term. She is currently unable to access her messages.



We are an official Class Dojo school!

Look out for the latest news on Class Dojo. Contact Mrs Vaughan with any out of school achievements you want to share with the PHP family. Please include any photos and let us know whether you want us to anonymise the pictures or to publish them as they are. We love sharing and celebrating your children's achievements with everyone.

Early Help

Things can get a bit much for most people at times. Have a look at some of the support on offer through Walsall Council for children, young people and families who may be struggling for one reason or another. If you feel we can help you, please contact Mrs. Davis for more information, given confidentially.

https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/early_help

PHP Menu

Remember to check our termly menu to choose a daily meal. There are lots of healthy options each day. Scan this QR code to download a copy.



Any child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal. In Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, if your child is entitled to a free school meal they can also have one at no cost. Paid meals cost £2.15.



Contact Details

Please contact the office with new contact details if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. This is a legal requirement.

Samples of This Week's Work

The children have been inspired, challenged and have definitely been learning!



Our Nursery children have been particularly enjoying learning and playing in the outdoor area during this glorious weather!



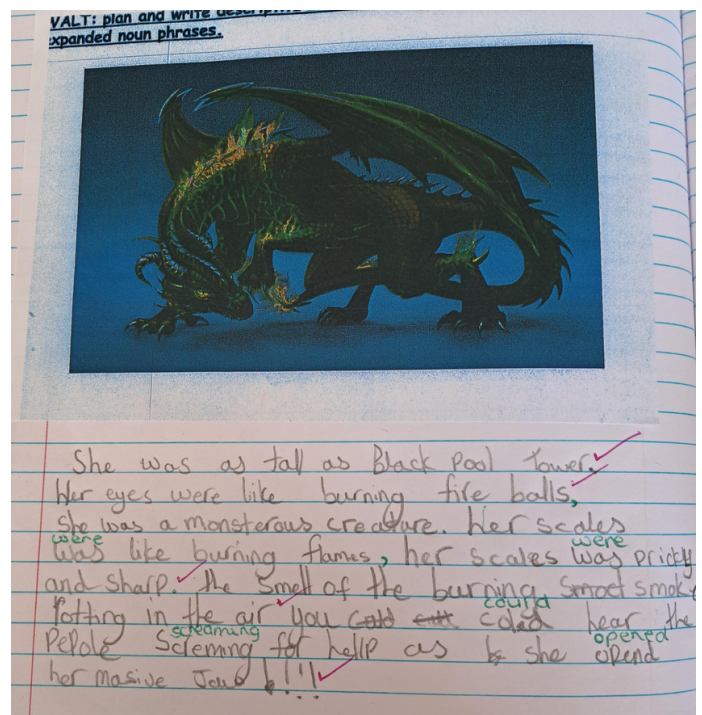
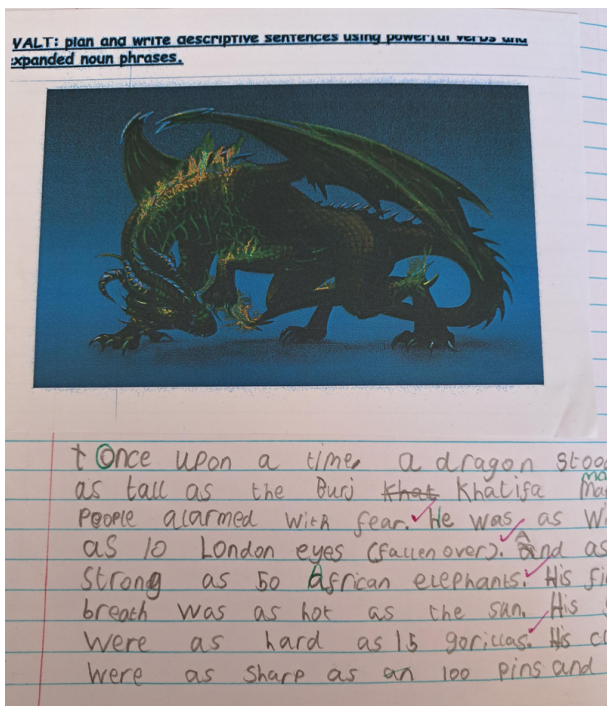
Our Reception class have been reading *The Snail and the Whale* by Julia Donaldson. They have been thinking about what they see at the seaside after looking at videos and photos of the beach and remembering their own experiences.



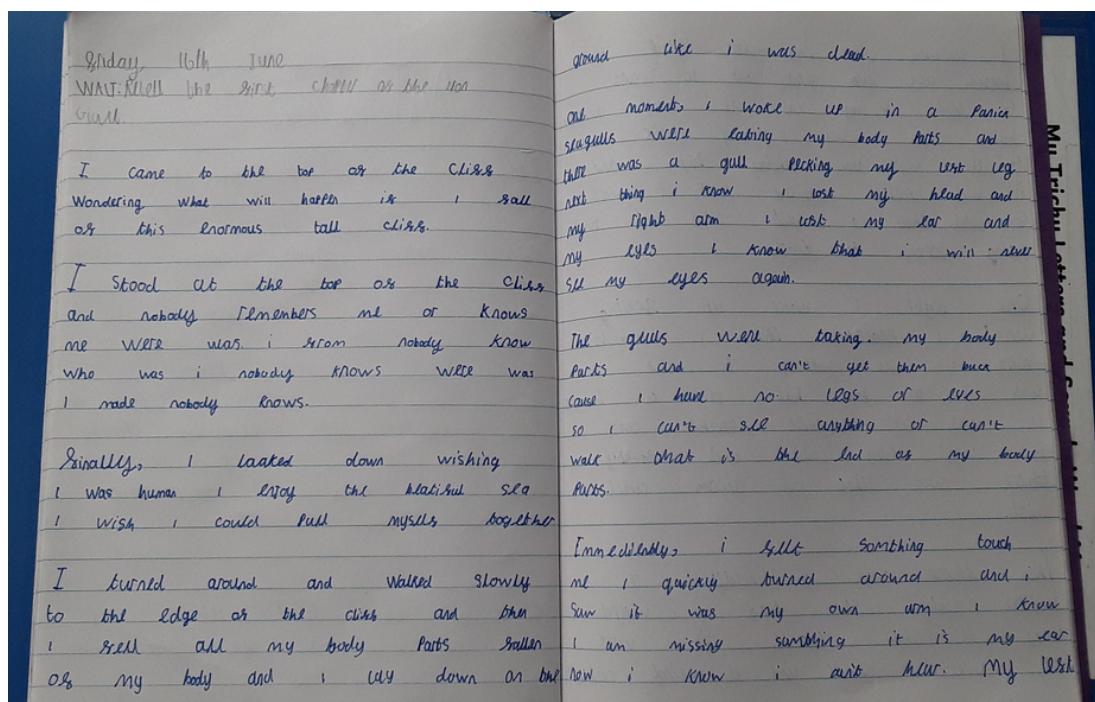
Year 1 children had their Inspire Workshop. They designed and made hand puppets with help from their families. Here are some excellent examples from Erin, Jai-Jae and Amellia. Thank you to all of you who came!



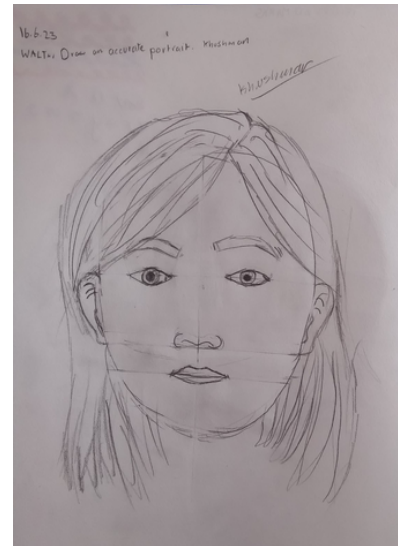
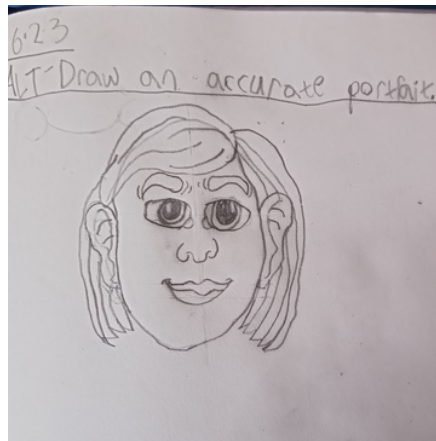
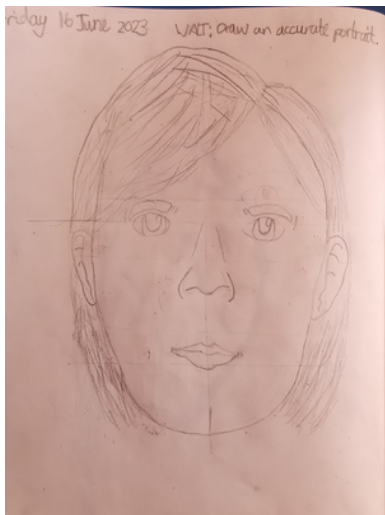
Year 2 have been working hard in science. They've identified the properties of materials and matched different items to materials. They explored objects in the classroom and determined what materials they were made from.



In Year 3 the children have been work on their visual literacy Dragon Slayer unit and writing descriptively about a mythical beast using expanded noun phrases. Here are some great examples of work from Oliver and Lilah. Well done, Year 3!



Year 4 children have been reading The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. They they retold it. Here is Cole's great version.



Year 5 have been practising their portrait-drawing. They learnt skills such as where to divide a face into sections to place and space facial features. Here some wonderful examples from William, Henry and Khushman.



Year 6 children have been busy practising their athletics skills ready for Sports Day in a fortnight! Mr Gavin has been very impressed with their improvement.

Out of School Superstars

The children continue to achieve some great things outside of school too!



Our lovely Alfie in Year 4 rescued this baby blackbird after it fell from its nest following a magpie attack. He held the baby gently to warm it up and it was hand fed using a syringe and now it's thriving! This next part of the message came directly from one of Alfie's grown ups: It is important to say that where possible, baby birds should always be returned to the nest or taken to a wildlife sanctuary but on this occasion it was not possible. What a wonderfully caring thing to do!

Darcie is flying through her swimming lessons! She has passed her Stage 4 swimming and is now in Stage 5!

I cannot stress enough how important a life skill swimming is. It is wonderful to see a pupil with such confidence in her abilities!

