



THE FAMILY NEWS

POOL HAYES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Inspire. Challenge. Learn
Dear Families,

As ever it's busy, busy, busy; go, go, go at school with children working and playing hard.

Our new playleaders have successfully applied for posts and are working with all pupils using new equipment at lunchtime. They're a great example to others, modelling kind play and demonstrating how to play new games. They're lovely role models. A big well done must go to them.

Mr Carter has met with our learning ambassadors who have been talking to children about their learning experiences at PHP. The feedback is really interesting and has given all staff a different viewpoint to consider.

Attendance is so important. Did you know that if your child misses 19 days or more of school across the school year, they're considered to be Persistently Absent? This means they're less likely to make the progress they need to and a pattern of this throughout school can lead to lower grades at GCSE and fewer GCSEs in total. I know we talk about attendance a lot. I know we call if your child is absent and we don't know why, but we do this as part of our legal duty and also because we care.

Primary school is an essential time to lay the foundations of education for secondary school. Your children work hard and they make astonishing progress from the day they join us in Nursery, perhaps not being able to write letters, to the day they leave us in Year 6 writing long and complex pieces, calculating equations and drawing on their knowledge of history, geography and other subjects to do so well.

Please ensure your child attends every day of school they possibly can. We want them here and we want them to make progress to reach their age-related potential.

Have a wonderful weekend. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday!

Kind Regards,
Mrs. Kelly Vaughan

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

Attendance for This Week

Whole School Attendance

93.1%

Whole School Attendance from September

94.7%

Highest Attendance this Week

97.9%
Orange Class

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

Mobile Library Bus



The library bus visits school every Wednesday for children from Y1 to Y6 to select from a wider range of books than we have at school. This week it is the turn of **Y3** and **Y4**.

Any families who have children from Y1 - Y6 without a library card can get an application form from the school office

The library cards can be used in any Walsall library.

Autumn Term Diary Dates:

Tuesday 10th Feb – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 11th Feb – Y5/6 Football at Sheffield

Friday 16th Feb - Children break up for half term

Monday 23rd Feb - Children return to school

Thursday 5th Mar – Class Photo Day

Friday 6th Mar – World Book Day (non-uniform and book swap)

Tuesday 10th Mar – Y4 Enginuity Trip

Wednesday 11th Mar – Y5/6 Girls Football

Friday 20th Mar – Annual reports sent home

Friday 20th Mar – Comic Relief (non-uniform)

Tuesday 24th Mar – Parents Evening (report discussions – in person) 16:00-18:00

Thursday 26th Mar - Parents Evening (report discussions – in person) 15:40-17:40

Friday 27th Mar - Children break up for the Easter break

Monday 13th Apr - Children return to school



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.



Walsall Family Hubs

Did you know about all of the activities, advice and information available to families who have children up to the age of 19? Have a look at some of the resources available through Walsall Council for children, young people and families using the link below.

If you feel we can share more information with you, please contact Mrs. Davis and she will speak to you confidentially to share the most appropriate resources.

[Walsall Family Hubs](#)

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.

P.E. Stars Of The Week



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

Nursery

Cody

For joining with dragon dancing

Reception

Kayden

For his excellent ball skills

Year 1

Willow-Mae

For working well as part of the team

Year 2

Hannah

For creating a sequence of low level balances

Year 3

Rosie

For her amazing ball skills in bench football

Year 4

Ronnie, Caitlin & Lana

For creating a wonderful performance in our dance lessons and focusing on controlling a tennis ball

Year 5

Dolice

For her lovely dance routine

Year 6

Alice and Lillie Rose

For excellent team work in dance

PHP's TT Rockstars and Maths Stars

Nursery

Japnoor

For great knowledge about 4

Reception

Damien

For a super explanation of how to use a part-whole model

Year 1

Addison

For showing confidence when giving explanations in maths

Year 2

Bella

For great explanations in our lessons about money

Year 3

Roguan

For working so hard on his 4 times tables

Year 4

Chloey

For great focus in our maths lessons and always striving to give her best

Year 5

Romero

For trying his best with short multiplication and division

Year 6

Teddy and Nevaeh

For following instructions with enthusiasm



Kindness Champion Awards

Our team of Kindness Champions have been out and about spotting acts of kindness

Freya

For helping a friend who had fallen over

Rio

For always being friendly, polite and respectful

Ivy

For being very respectful to a kindness champion and invited them to play

Amellia

For always playing nicely with everyone



Stars of The Week Rainbow Writer

Our Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery
Freya

For smiling everyday in Nursery

Reception
Lilly

For working hard to learn her sounds in phonics

Year 1
Ivy

For trying hard to remember what she has learnt in previous lessons, to help her complete her work

Year 2
Ezra

For his wonderful ideas for his winter poem

Year 3
Amar

For an impressive week this week. His confidence is growing more and more in group discussions.

Year 4
Jai-Jae

For having an amazing determination to focus every day and give 100% in all of his lessons

Year 5
Gunkirat

For always following the golden rules and trying her best

Year 6
Olly

For a super attitude to learning in all subjects

Our Rainbow Writers for this week are as follows;

Nursery
Cleo

For painting a lovely picture of Miss Rainbow

Reception
Chester

For great effort with his letter formation

Year 1
Rehmat

For her amazing handwriting in all lessons

Year 2
Mason

For excellent improvement in handwriting

Year 3
Kiaan

For his amazing sentences using expanded noun phrases

Year 4
Khushi

For an extremely neat presentation across all of her books

Year 5
Sophie

For always trying her best in lessons

Year 6
Sana

For working hard on upleveling her description of a key character

Lunchtime Stars Of The Week

Reception
Roman

For being a good friend

Year 1
Summer

For being very kind and helpful

Year 2
Brooklyn

For always being polite and using good manners

Year 3
Amber

For following the golden rules

Year 4
Ronnie

For always following the golden rules

Year 5
Romero

For having a fantastic week and playing the activities lovely

Year 6
Reevah

For always being kind and polite

Mr Carter's
Star Pupil of The Week

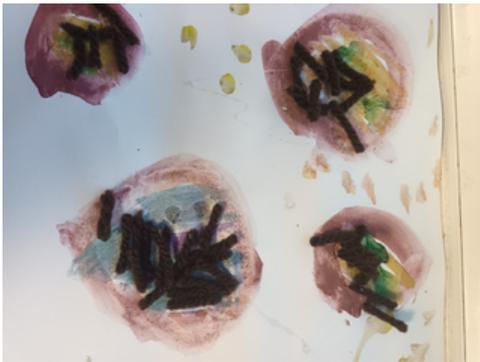
Teddy
For excellent effort in class

Samples of This Week's Work

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



Our Nursery children have been learning all about the traditions behind Lunar New Year. We have particularly enjoyed counting money into our lucky money red envelopes.



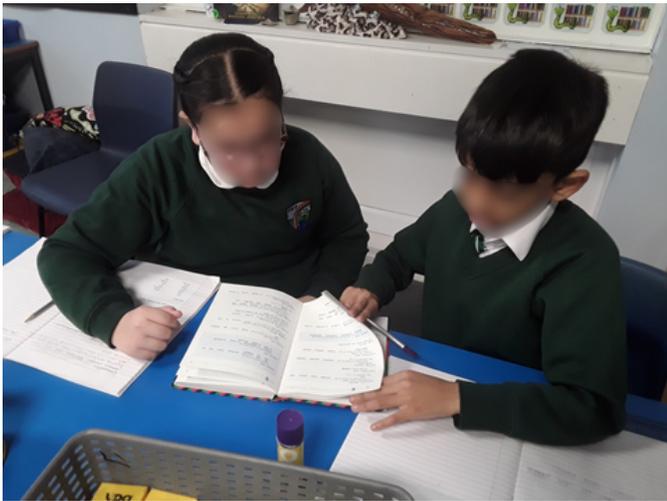
Our reception children have been learning about woodland creatures. They had fun painting their chosen animals. You can see a woodpecker, a family of hedgehogs and a green owl in the photos.



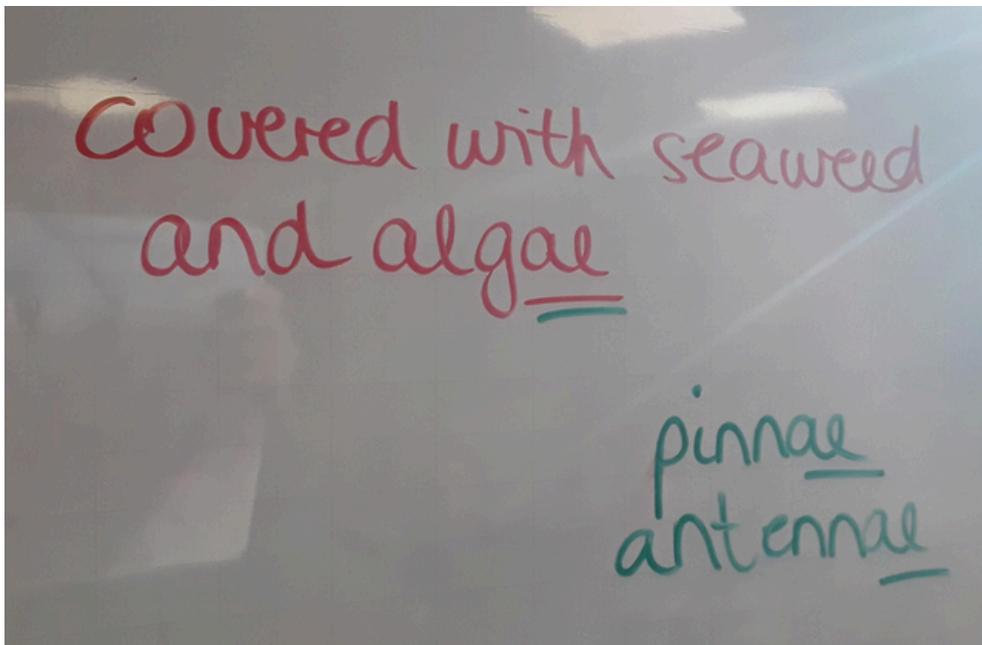
Our Year 1 children have really enjoyed the visit they had from a football coach. They learned lots of things including how to dribble the ball!



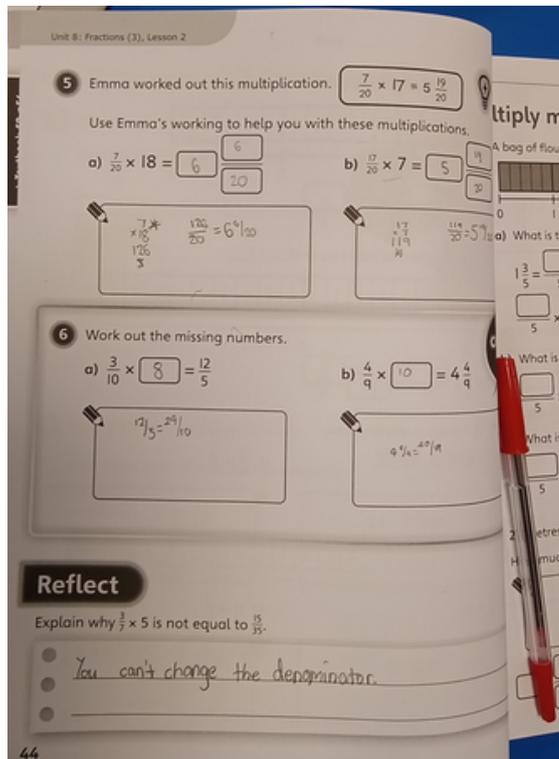
Our Year 2 children have made pumpkins in the style of Yayoi Kusama in art.



Our Year 3 children have been perfecting their vocabulary skills using a thesaurus to make their writing better.



Our Year 4 children have made links between Latin and Science, their writing and their class novel. All a-nouns that we have come across were in their plural form (which we will explore this term) and end in -ae rather than -s. Everyone is really excited to learn more about how Latin links to English and had a good go during our Latin lesson putting patterns in verb endings.



Our Year 5 children have been working hard multiplying fractions.



Our Year 6 children have thoroughly enjoyed using clay to produce a range of vases.