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NEWSLETTER Thursday 14th March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Easter is fast approaching and our days are full of fun and learning, with lots to fit in before the end of term – read on for all the latest news...

BROADHEMPSTON LEARNERS

BIRCH CLASS -EYFS got hands on in PSHE making a fruit salad when learning about keeping their brains and bodies healthy. They all worked very carefully to cut the fruit and explore different textures and flavours – some were found to be yummy, others they weren't too sure about!

BIRCH CLASS
Y1&2 The children
have been
innovating the Oliver
Jeffers story - Stuck
by thinking of all the
things that could get
stuck down a drain!
They have begun to
write their own
stories based on this
book - we can't wait
read their final
pieces!



Birch also had a great time dressing up for world book day – super costumes everyone!

Sycamore class had a great trip to the Exeter Mosque. They asked some great questions and came away with some really thoughtful reflections. Some

children were surprised that Muslims do not even drink water when fasting during Ramadan. Others were shocked that the Imam had memorised the entire Quran in Arabic by the age of 11! We followed up the visit with labelling the parts of a mosque back in class and discussing all the things we had learnt.







Sycamore have also been learning about skeletons in Science. Ask Sycamore class about the differences between endoskeletons and exoskeletons, and they will have an answer! We had plenty of fun creating the bones and joints, using chalk, black card and split pins. Did you know the femur is the longest bone in the human body? Super job Sycamore!



OAK CLASS have been treated to a couple of live lessons in the last week. Firstly, as an early World Book Day treat, Oak Class took part in a live lesson with Liz Pichon, a British author and illustrator of children's books - her Tom Gates series has been translated into 44 languages! We had a sneak peak at her new book due out later this year before taking part in a doodle tutorial.

Then to kick off science week, Oak Class took part in a live lesson all about insects and time. There were plenty of activities to get involved with: an insect mind map, label the locust, the life cycle of a beetle and spot the difference between a millipede and a centipede. We learnt some amazing facts including how poisonous a centipede is, that mayflies stay in the larva stage for a few years and then only live for 12 hours, that cicadas can stay underground for 17 years and that for every one human, there are 1.4 billion insects!



SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

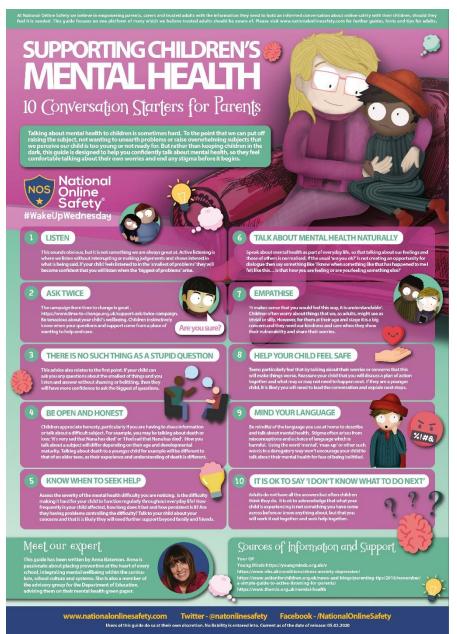
| Attendance: | |
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| (Our school target is 97%) | |
| Whole school | 96.6% |
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| Birch Class | 96.4% |
| Sycamore Class | 96.9% |
| Oak Class | 96.5% |

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please contact the school or in non-school hours contact MASH on 0345 155 1071.

Our designated safeguarding lead is Mrs. Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officers are Miss Barlow & Mrs Carwithen.

This week's free online safety guide focuses on supporting children's mental health: 10 conversation starters for parents. Talking about mental health to children is sometimes hard. The guide takes a look at a number of tips such as talking about mental health naturally, being open and honest and asking twice.

Please follow the link below.



https://nationalcollege.com/guides/supporting-children-s-mental-health-10-conversation-starters-for-parents-online-safety-guide

COMING UP-DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| 20 th March | Oak class assembly for parents 3pm village hall |
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| 25 th March | Y5/6 Hockey tournament |
| 28 th March | Break up – 3.30pm finish |

That's all the news for now. Have a good weekend.

