

### Chaffinches (Yr2)

The Chaffinches have enjoyed learning about the ocean as a habitat this half term. We have read Dear Greenpeace and learned about whales and dolphins from non-fiction texts. We have written our own non-chronological reports and letters. We have enjoyed thinking about the various habitats oceans offer, such as shorelines, rockpools and coral reefs. We have thought about food chains and life cycles of different sea creatures. When we go to Yorkshire Wildlife Park this week we will enjoy learning more about meerkats and polar bears as two animals coming from contrasting habitats. We have made our own models of sea creatures this week and learned how planning and evaluating are an important part of the process. We are also looking forward to Sport's day this week and we have been practising our races in PE lessons.

### Sparrows (Y1).

We have been busy learning about The Great Fire of London. We have found out how the fire started and who was involved. We found out how long it lasted for and how it eventually stopped. We have created some beautiful artwork to show London in the past and how it has changed since the fire started. We have also been out in the sunshine practicing all of our races ready for sports day.

### Owls (Reception)

We welcomed tiny little caterpillars into our classroom this half term. These soon developed into big fat caterpillars which after a few days turned into cocoons. The children made careful observations daily. They recorded the changes by carefully drawing and writing about what they saw. We watched the cocoons change colour and with great excitement watched beautiful butterflies eventually emerge. It has been a fascinating experience for the children to watch. Once the butterflies were strong enough to fly – although a little sad, we set them free on our school field to hopefully continue the next life cycle.



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### Headteacher's Message

Hello everyone

I am currently having a great time watching the director from the RSC working with year 5 who will be performing in the evening of our storytelling festival Melton Mowbray read. Tickets for the performance will be available to parents and families, but the day is open to all to come along- tickets are on eventbrite. We would urge as many of you as possible to come along. We have workshops available, authors and a host of activities. Exciting times- date for diary is July 7.

We have worked with a number of visitors and other schools recently and next half term will be a massive celebration of all of our work and achievements. More celebrations come in the form of welcoming Mr Bates to our team on a permanent basis. He is very excited to be working with us and looking forward to developing our school with the team next year.

Thank you to Year two and Year six parents for promoting such positive attitudes towards key stage assessments. Year one it is your turn next- keep practising those phonics!

We are so proud of our team and all they have done - what a school To be proud of.

### Robins.

This half term Robin's class have been learning lots and having lots of fun!

In English we loved our book 'Leon and The Place Between' we explored a lot about magic and what it truly means to believe.

We are currently looking at balanced arguments and forming for and against points, being able to stay objective. This has been a lot of fun and we have explored many different topics, such as; Should dogs be kept on leads in parks? What do you think?

In maths we are looking at angles and what shapes we can find them in. We have enjoyed exploring different everyday objects and seeing what angles we can find.

Science has been lots of fun this half term, our reading corner portrays what we have been learning about light and dark, we are currently looking at shadows and how they are formed. We are going to be trying to make a human sun dial! We will keep you updated on our progress.

So another great half term, with a trip to the Zoo coming up and sports day to finish!

### Swallows

Year 4 have really enjoyed their topic of Victorians this term. The diary entries they have produced have been absolutely spectacular. They will be proudly represented on the year 4 board in the hall for everyone to read and look at. Set in P. T Barnum's amazing circus the diaries truly show ambitious authors with great language

### Eagles

The second part of the half term has seen Eagles continue their work looking at Ancient Greece. We have studied the Gods, education, buildings, the arts... to name but a few. We are going on to study Macbeth and will be performing a piece at the storyteller festival in July. Maths has been complex with us looking at the more technical aspects of shape, measure and angles. The first week after half term see us study our properties project in science. We will be having a week of science in one block - this proved very effective and popular last half term. We are all looking forward to seeing you all at sports day - we have been practising in the afternoons!

### Year 6 (Kingfishers)

It's been a very busy month for us at the top of the school leading up to us taking our SATs last week. However, we feel that we have tried really hard with these tests and we now we can't wait to hear how much we've improved since we did our Mocks. We'd like to thank the parents who volunteered to help with serving us breakfast last week too. Jasmine wished we could do it every day! We enjoyed spending the Friday afterwards having fun after all of the hard work we put in too. We watched 'The Greatest Showman' and it made us think about being confident to be ourselves and believe in who we are for when we go to secondary school in a few months. There was also an impromptu 'Brownie Bake-Off' between Ben and Miss G, as they both brought in their home-baked brownies for us to enjoy. We ended up having a blind taste test, although the winner is still to be decided! We are really enjoying reading our class book this term, called The Eye of the North by Sinead O' Hart. In particular, Ben loves how the mood changes a lot through the story while Freya is fascinated by the way the writer shows the dialect of one of the characters called 'Thing'. He tends to drop his 'h's and 'g's in words so he says meddlin' and 'avin instead of meddling and having. James also likes how the story has developed so far, where we've seen the characters struggle in dangerous situations, but they manage to escape somehow. Emmeline's satchel reminds us a lot of Mary Poppin's bag too: it is curiously intriguing. We can't wait to see you all on Sports Day this week too - don't forget to bring your money to spend at our amazing refreshments stall - it will be the stall for ALL!



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**REMINDER**

Children must  
have indoor  
shoes

Please put remember to put your  
child's dinner money in an envelope  
with their name and class on.