

Dear Parents/Carers

The children have had a busy start to the spring term; most year groups have already enjoyed extending their curriculum knowledge through a range of trips and visits. Please read on to see the pupil's accounts. Pupil Voice Council organised a successful film night, which raised £216—brilliant!, funds are going to put towards additional curriculum enrichment activities. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support; our links with the local community are truly valued.

Sea Life Centre—Year 1

On Tuesday 19th January, Year One had the fantastic opportunity to visit the Sea Life Centre in Birmingham. The children loved seeing all the sea creatures - especially the penguins. The children expressed their views about the Sea Life Centre through their English work the next day. Lukas said "It was brilliant!" We saw sharks, turtles, stingrays and piranhas. The children also had the opportunity to touch both a crab and a starfish. It was a great day enjoyed by children, parents and staff. We look forward to sharing the art work that the children produce, having been inspired by their trip.

Nottingham Castle—By Ruby Year 3

Our Class 3 trip to Nottingham Castle to see the art work was a great experience; we thought it was a brilliant exhibition. It was in the Long Gallery. I liked learning how the pictures were made by Expressionists and Impressionists and we looked for the different styles in the artwork. Once we had found the different styles, we tried practising them too.

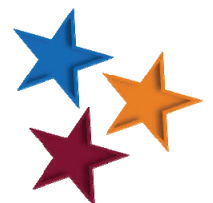
We all felt inspired and we will use our new knowledge to help develop our artwork at school.

Holocaust—By Zain & Sam C Year 5

On Wednesday the 13 of January Year 5 went on a trip to the Holocaust Centre. We were welcomed by our tour guide Linda who took us around the centre telling us about Leo's story. Leo lived in Germany during World War 2. He was a Jewish boy who lived with his father and mother and his little sister. We learnt all about how he started being treated differently when Adolf Hitler came in to power. Each room that we went into showed us a different part of Leo's life. During the afternoon, we heard from a survivor of the Holocaust who came to England to escape the Nazis. It was very moving to hear all of the horrible things he had to deal with when he was only a child. Year 5 gained a lot from the trip and spent some time considering how important it is to treat others with respect, no matter what their background is.

Bradford Media Museum— By Willhemina & Lana Year 4

In year 4 we went to the National Media Museum. The first room was the amazing gaming room. In the room we had the opportunity to play lots of famous games; some of them were really old. It was really interesting and fun! The next room was the magic room. My favourite thing was the shadow copier because it copied your shadow on a bright green wall. We also took part in a real show where we learnt about Louis Le Prince and the Lumiere brothers. During the afternoon, we made some animated films using Lego. We used a technique called stop motion. It was a fantastic trip and I feel that I learnt a lot.



Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery—By Hammad Year 2

We had the opportunity to view lots of sculptures made out of clay. My favourite ones were the cups, yacht and the goats because they looked really interesting. We also saw a penny farthing which was a really old bike. We had to draw really detailed pictures of them so we could use these as a guide to make a clay sculpture. I made a mug, it was so hard! I put my initials on the mug as part of the design, and an oval shaped handle on the side, so that you could hold it. Later on, Anna showed us the museum, which had lots of great designs in it. It was really big and had lots of tiles inside it.

Maths challenge by Miss Hopkin

In my wallet I have 50p. How many combinations of coins can you find to make 50p e.g. 20p + 10p + 10p + 5p + 2p + 2p + 1p

Can you find all the possible combinations?

Reading Statistics

Year 1	77%
Year 2	76%
Year 3	81%
Year 4	89%
Year 5	86%
Year 6	100%

★ Headteacher's Award: ★

Swans:	Isa	for improved concentration in his phonics group.
	Zainab	for becoming more confident in talking to adults and other children.
Yr 1:	Joseph	for a fantastic improvement with his reading.
	Sonakshi	for always modelling fantastic behaviour in the classroom.
Yr 2:	Aqsa	for trying really hard with her multiplication work.
	Emmanuel	for a significant improvement in his writing.
Yr 3:	Blessing	for developing her understanding of artistic styles.
	Shaban	for being brave and persevering in swimming.
Yr 4:	Reem	for making good progress with her knowledge of co ordinates this week.
	Spencer	for always demonstrating an excellent attitude towards his learning.
Yr 5:	Aidh	for not giving up when he was finding fractions hard, and challenging himself once he had understood it.
	Fadak	for working well with her partner to complete her maths problem.
Yr 6:	Aasiyah	for thinking carefully about how to make her writing more interesting.
	Jake	for taking ownership of his learning and working hard during booster lessons.

Very kind regards



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