



NEWSLETTER

15 October 2021



Dear parents, carers and children

Firstly, thank you for attending the Parents' Evenings this week. Fortunately there were only a few technical problems and thank you to Mrs Rodley for being available to offer advice. Miss Allen and the other Nursery teachers enjoyed discussing how well the children have settled in and Mrs Roberts said it was great to hear how the Year 2 children had been enjoying the Explorers topic and talking about it at home. Mrs Dixon commented that she had enjoyed finding out about the children's interests at home, such as clubs and classes. The next Parents' Evenings will be in February and at this appointment you will receive an Interim Report which will give you more information about academic attainment.

This week we have been enjoying Art Week. Mrs Roberts, our Art/DT Leader challenged the staff to find some lesser known artists to widen the children's knowledge and experience. Year 2 were very fortunate to receive a visit from a 'real life' artist, Fern Whittle. Fern, whose artist name is Fern and Moose, weaves beautiful wall hangings. Before her visit, the children thought of lots of questions to ask her about the wall hangings and how she learnt to make them. The children thoroughly enjoyed listening to Fern explain her inspiration and the weaving process. They then watched a weaving demonstration before having a go themselves. The finished results are wonderful! We are very grateful to Fern for finding the time to visit us. If you would like to view Fern's work, you can see her wall hangings displayed at Moss and Moor Garden Centre and you will be able to see the children's creations on the Year 2 Gallery over the next few days.

Please also visit Gallery/Blog > Whole School Events on our website to see more from our Art Week. Year 1 were inspired by dots and studied Yayoi Kusama, a Japanese contemporary artist, Year 3 studied the American artist, Kara Walker, meanwhile Year 4 learned about Jinka Shonibare and his life. His work includes painting, photography, dance, film and sculpture celebrating many cultures all at once. He says he wants his art 'to connect different cultures and reveal hidden histories.' Year 4 decided to celebrate all the things special to them as individuals that makes them a year group community.



Year 5 studied Dan Fenelon and Year 6 looked at John Mills, the sculptor that created the Women in WWII memorial in London. More from Art Week next week.

The Eco Warriors continue to be an active group in school and the community. The children went to help the Friends of Nunroyd Park. They were split into two groups - one group litter picked in the park and the other group helped plant some Irises around the new pond they have built. Well done Eco Warriors!



More news next week.

Best wishes

Mrs Buckton
Headteacher

Stars of the Week



Nursery - Charlie for super tidying and being kind, Ettie for playing nicely and listening carefully, Mya for telling us all about her favourite book and Isabella for showing us some really good dance moves in wake up shake up

Red Class - Noah being a kind friend and checking on a friend when they fell over and Lilly-Rose for super listening during carpet time

Orange Class - Iris for some lovely letter formation whilst playing in provision and David for his amazing enthusiasm

Yellow Class - Jacob for some confident work using number bonds to 10 and Harry for not just completing but enjoying his number bond puzzle

Green Class - Martha for participating well in teaching inputs this week and James for some amazing artwork this week using dots and circles

Blue Class - Tilly for her fantastic autumn weaving and Hadley for her patient approach to her weaving

Indigo Class - David for his excellent autumn weaving and Sonny for demonstrating super chopping skills when making a salsa

Violet Class - Oscar for working extremely hard throughout the week and Archie for his impressive maths skills this week

Pink Class - Liam for working very hard at his rugby skills in PE and Riley for having an excellent work ethic and trying her best in all her lessons

Coral Class - Lee for his hard work and determination in all his work this week and Mason for his focus in his art and English work this week

Amber Class - Gracie for working hard and using her initiative more and Hania for having a positive attitude towards her school day

Jade Class - Elizabeth for persevering brilliantly with tricky column subtraction this week. Fantastic effort! Also Seren for helping others in the class with tricky column subtraction this week!

Lime Class - Jennifer for always proof reading and improving her writing independently! Super effort Jennifer! Also James for being a great learning partner and always having a sense of humour! Keep it up James!

Purple Class - Jacob for his amazing ideas and contributions in English and Trapt for her amazing WWII sculpture and sketching skills

Turquoise Class - Isla B for using some fantastic vocabulary in her English work this week and Keira for being a kind, considerate and helpful member of the class

Well done everybody!

Mathlete of the Week

The Mathlete of the Week for this week are:



KS1 - **Jessica (Indigo)**

KS2 - **Quentin (Lime)**

If your child is in KS1 or KS2, please encourage them to use Mathletics. There are a variety of maths activities and games tailored to your child's stage of development.

Please let the class teacher know if your child does not have access to Mathletics at home.

Pen licence awards

Well Done to **Sasha (Lime)** who has gained her pen licence this week

Diary Date Reminders

Mon 18th-Fri 22nd Oct - Harvest Celebrations. During this week, please send any donations to school for us to use in our Harvest Assembly on Friday 22nd Oct.

Mon 18th Oct - Stone Age Day for Year 3. Full details have been emailed home. Please remember to use Parentpay to give permission for your child to take part.

20th Oct - NCMP and vision screening team in school to see Year 6 children.

22nd Oct - School closes for half term



Harvest Celebrations

(18th-22nd October)



This year we are supporting Bradford North Food Bank. They provide vital food supplies to help people and families, in our local area, who are in crisis.

Please send your donations to school during next week. Suggested items are tinned/long life goods, biscuits, dried pasta etc.

Thank you.

Dressing-up clothes request

If you have any dressing-up clothes and / or accessories that your child has outgrown or no longer wants, please could you send them in to school.

The reception classes would very much appreciate some new outfits!

Safeguarding Update: Harmful Content – Squid Game

What is Squid Game?

Squid Game is a South Korean television series streaming on Netflix. Currently, Squid Game has a rating of 15+ as the visual content includes high levels of gore, death, violence, and physical assault. It also has graphic depictions of suicide, murder, and sexual assault.

Children and young people are likely to know about the show via word of mouth and because it is so popular on social media. They may be unaware of the extent of gore, death, and violence the show contains. If you would like to know how to make your Netflix account safer for children to view, please see an attached checklist for parental controls on Netflix.

Parents and carers should be aware that video content from this show is found on TikTok and copycat games have been seen on Roblox, which could also increase children's interest in watching the show. Remember that even if you restrict the young person in your care from watching Squid Game, they may be able to access content on other social media platforms.

Remember to keep looking on the school website www.guiseleyprimary.org for more information about what we are doing in school.

Houses

Nethermoor, Nunroyd, Parkinson and Springfield

Children can earn points for their house by displaying behaviours that follow our Rainbow Code:

Respect (for all)

Achieve (always do your very best)

Inclusive (we all matter)

Nurture (we care and are considerate)

Belong (it's good to be part of something)

Outstanding (effort and perseverance)

Whole (whole child, whole family, whole community)

The points for this week are:

Nethermoor	203	Nunroyd	207
Parkinson	234	Springfield	166

Well done to everyone in **Parkinson** house!

Covid-19 Testing Reminders

Please remember the Covid-19 testing requirements:

- Anyone who has Covid-19 symptoms must take a full PCR test at a testing centre or by requesting a home testing kit (this is not the LFT Lateral Flow Test which can be routinely taken at home). If you have taken a LFT and it is negative, you must still arrange a full PCR test if you have symptoms.
- If you take a LFT and have a positive result, you must self isolate at home and arrange a full PCR test, even if you have no symptoms. If the PCR test result is positive the self isolation period will be notified by NHS Test and Trace. If the PCR test result is negative, you can end self isolation.
- School need to see a positive PCR test result, or the NHS Test and Trace notification for your child, to authorise their self isolation absence.
- If children have Covid-19 symptoms themselves, school need to see their negative PCR test result before they can return to school.
- Screenshots of test results, and / or NHS Test and Trace notifications, can be emailed to office@guiseleyprimary.org

For more information please check the government website: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

Covid-19 Self Isolation for Close Contacts

The self isolation rules changed on 16th August. To check if you are required to self isolate, please use the latest government guidance:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance