



Alfriston School



Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 10th January 2020

It has been lovely to see everyone back after the Christmas break. We hope you had a wonderful time and would like to wish you all a Happy New Year!

Ruby Class Drusillas Trip

For the Ruby Class trip to Drusillas on Tuesday please ensure your child brings all items, including their packed lunch, in a backpack style bag. Children need to be able to carry everything and have both hands free.

Save the Date

As part of our Equality and Diversity fortnight, after school on Monday 27th January

Teddies & Toys

Can children please not bring teddies or toys in to school unless there is a particular reason and it has been agreed with the class teacher. The children have been reminded. Toys and teddies can get lost, they can also sometime cause arguments between the children. Thank you.



We would like to thank everyone for the kind gifts and cards at the end of last term, they really are appreciated.

Mrs Crystal has asked us to pass on her thanks for the contributions parents made to her leaving gift. She has already spent the voucher!

Charity Fundraising

The Sunday before Christmas Viva, Zoe, Darcey, Eliza, Elsie, Sophie and Nicole, with their parents, went carol singing door to door, in the village. Everyone enjoyed their singing so much they managed to raise an £110 for Crisis, homeless charity. Well done to you all for raising such an amazing amount, we are really proud of you!



Stars of the Week

- Reception - Delphi
- Year 1 -
- Year 2 -
- Year 3 - Elliott
- Year 4 - Jacob
- Year 5 - Ben
- Year 6 - Eva

What's coming up next week

- 13th January Violin lessons start again with Mrs Cane-Hardy
- 14th January Ruby Class trip to Drusillas

This Week's Class News

Pearl Class

In Pearl class this week, they have been starting to learn about their new topic, 'Off we go!' They have sorted different types of vehicles into groups such as land vehicles, sea vehicles, air vehicles, public transport and emergency vehicles. They have looked at information books about vehicles and have written their own page for a class information book, including pictures and captions. They have created a mono-print of their favourite vehicle for the front cover of their new learning journey. In maths they have been estimating how many objects in a group and counting to check. They have used the words, 'more', 'fewer' and 'the same' to compare groups of objects. In phonics, the children have started to learn digraphs (2 letters making 1 sound). They have practised reading and writing words with 'sh' and 'ch' sounds in. In P.E they explored travelling in different ways using their hands and feet. What a busy week!

Ruby Class

This week in Ruby Class, the children have been getting stuck in to their new topic. In English, they explored a new story called 'The Night Iceberg'. They enjoyed discussing the story and imagining what might happen next. In maths, the children made penguins using 2D shapes. They also explored 3D shape through lots of fun activities. In art, they began their topic on sculpture looking at lots of different styles. They also enjoyed their first yoga session in PE where they focused on stretching and breathing. Next week, they are looking forward to beginning their photography unit in computing.

Sapphire Class

In Sapphire Class they have had a wonderful week. They have done lots of 'getting to know you' activities and shared their targets and aspirations for the new year. In Maths they have been very thorough 'number detectives' - writing as much mathematical information as possible about certain numbers. Their new topic for this term is 'Ancient Greece' and they have created a mind map of all the things they would like to find out about life in Greece 2,500 years ago. Next week they children are going to start using some Greek myths as the inspiration for their English lessons.

Emerald Class

Maths this week has been a trip back in to fractions, with a focus on converting between improper and mixed number fractions. The Emerald Class topic this term is Ancient Greece and this has informed the choice of Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan as the class text for the term. The class have been enthralled while listening to it read and are using it to inspire their own chapter stories. The planning has already begun for these quest stories, which will be written over the course of the term. The science topic this term is Animals including Humans, and the week started with an exploration of the different stages of human growth.

Dates for your Diary

Any new dates that have been added are in bold

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| 31st January | School disco organised by the FoAS |
| 6th February | Parent consultations (15:45 to 17:00 & 18:00 to 20:00) |
| 11th February | Safer internet day |
| 12th February | Parent consultations (15:45 to 18:00) |
| 14th February | Last day of term |
| 17th – 21st Feb | February holiday |
| 24th February | Children return to school |
| 27th Feb - 7th Mar | Equalities and Diversity fortnight |
| 5th March | World Book Day |
| 9th – 13th March | Science Week |
| 17th March | Tempest class photos |
| 30th March – 3rd April | Bikeability Level 2 – Year 6 |
| 3rd April | Last day of term |
| 3rd April | Easter Service |
| 6th – 17th April | Spring holiday |
| 20th April | Children return to school |

Friends of Alfriston

