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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a week of highs and comparative lows this week. On the latter first, the sending home of the Nursery and Year 5 bubbles was disappointing for us all. While we are aware that the government guidance is likely to change on the 19th of July, we must adhere to the current advice in place by Public Health England. Our teachers in these year groups are providing daily live lessons.

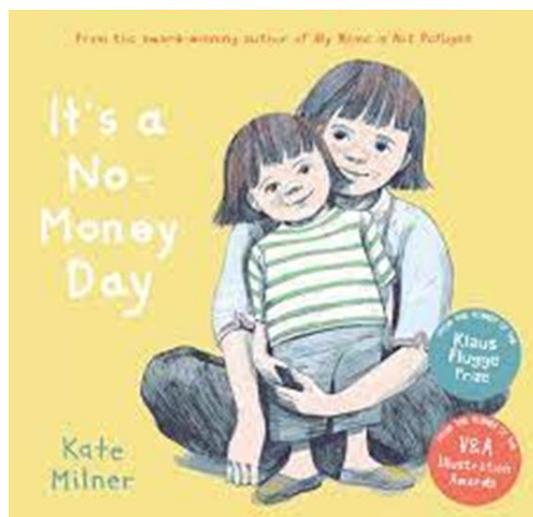
The England victory against Denmark in the semi-finals has helped to lift any despondency we might have felt. All of the children and staff along with the rest of the country, are incredibly proud of the national team's achievements, irrespective of the result on Sunday. In celebration of England reaching its first European final, we are going to have a Monday Fun Day, where the children can come into school in non-uniform. One of the things about the England squad that we are all incredibly proud of as a school and a country, is the way that they support the welfare of children and the wider community. In this way, as part of the Monday Fun Day, we are looking to raise money for a defibrillator and would welcome any donations you could make to support this great cause.

Those year groups that have been on site this week have engaged in some wonderful learning as usual. In line with the national fervour for sport, on Wednesday 7th July, Year 4 had an excellent morning taking part in a range of competitive and non-competitive sports. All the children were very well behaved and enjoyed the morning immensely. Well done to all the winners and to everyone for taking part!

Year three's social conscience is developing wonderfully, with the children continuing to learn about children's rights. They have decided they want to help children around the world access their right to education and are collecting unwanted stationery to send to the charity 'Pens for kids UK' to help. Look out for the posters in our windows the children designed.

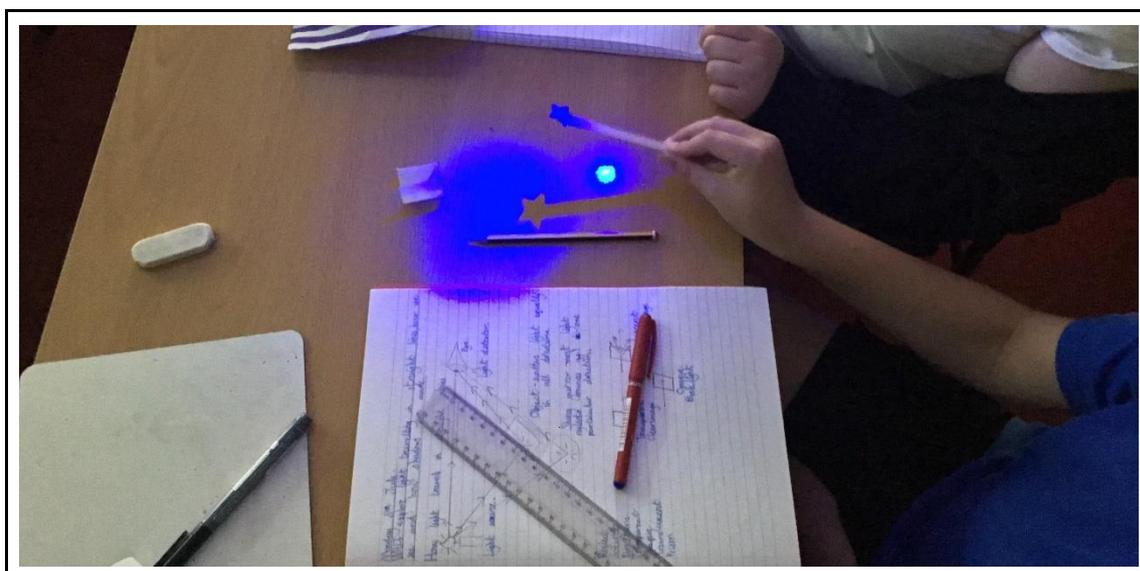
Meanwhile, the children in Year 1 have been using the new Maths Mastery approach to learn how to tell the time to o'clock and half past using analogue clocks. They had lots of fun at the beginning of the week carrying out activities such as timing themselves to see how many times they could catch a ball in twenty seconds. By the end of the week they were enjoying playing, "What's the time Mr Wolf?" and reading half past times. They have also shared the thought provoking beautifully illustrated story, which helped them to understand how much their food bank donations will be. (The social conscience our children are developing through the school is very inspiring.) Here is a picture of the book the children have been reading (next page).





In Year 2 this week, the children have created art work to contribute towards their fantastic finish answering their big question 'How can we look after our planet?' Next week, they will be dressing as explorers and creating a video segment, sharing their new learning from this theme, so watch this space.

Finally, as if that wasn't enough, Year 6 took part in a virtual workshop with Dr Jenny Watson from the Ogden Trust. The workshop focused on exploring how light travelled in straight lines, how we see and how shadows are formed. The children had a fantastic experience with several practical investigations along the way.



Monday 12th July, Monday Fun Day

As mentioned above, in recognition of the tremendous success of the England squad in reaching a European Championship Final for the first time ever, we will be asking children to come into school in non-uniform. Hopefully, England will win, but irrespective what an achievement. Voluntary contributions for the fundraising efforts to buy a defibrillator welcomed.

School reports

All children in school will receive their reports on Wednesday 14th July. Year 5 will receive theirs when they return on the 15th July.

Returning school books and devices

Please can children return to school any devices or school books that they may have from Monday 12th July onwards. Many thanks.

Lunch payment reminders

Please can year 6 parents ensure that all payments for school lunches are paid up to date on ParentMail and that there is no money remaining on their accounts at the end of term.

Also, please do not use ParentPay as this is no longer used by the school. If you have not yet registered on ParentMail, please contact the school office for support.

Mr Dowling and Mr Scarth