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## **Message from Miss Anderson**

This week, our pupil parliament met with me to help make some decisions about school and share some further suggestions about previous ideas that had been generated with input from each of their class. It was a brilliant session and lots was agreed - look out for changes on our playground including some brightly painted buddy benches, Rivers in bloom, an increase in attendance golden time, more menus celebrating cuisine from around the world and trips to celebrate exemplary behaviour! All the MPs definitely had the power of persuasion.

Finally, a huge well done to the all the year 1 parents and carers who braved the freezing weather to join their children in forest school this week! The children adored having you there.

Have a brilliant weekend.





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#### **Our week in EYFS**

This week in Nursery, children have further explored the Artist, Henri Matisse. The children had lots of fun making paintings inspired by Henri Matisse and engaging in lots of conversation about his art work. They had discussions about what they liked and disliked about his work. The bright colours he painted with were a popular opinion within the class. Children have also had lots of fun exploring capacity in the water tray! They have explored filling and pouring, using jugs and using mathematical language to explain how full or empty the jugs are.

This week, Reception have enjoyed reading the story, 'Little Red Hen'. They have been bakers in the role play area and made their own loaf of bread. It was delicious! They have also read the story, 'Perfectly Norman' and discussed their feelings.





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## Our week in key stage 1

In Year 1, children had a lovely time in their 'Let's Learn Together' session. They went into the forest school area and were creative with their adults, using natural resources to create pictures.

In art, the children have been continuing their watercolour work and they looked at an artist called Paul Klee. Children took inspiration from his work and tried to recreate some of his styles.

This week in Year 2, the children have continued their writing based on 'The crow's Tale' with some really beautiful and creative pieces of work produced. In geography, the children have had a Scottish experience day where they got to try shortbread and scotch pancakes, join in with highland dancing, design their own tartan and try an event from the highland games – the broad jump. Lots of fun was had by all!







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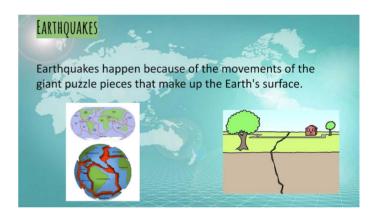


## Our week in lower key stage 2

In Year 3, the children have started their new PE topic, cricket. This week, they have been focusing on their throwing skills and have been working in pairs whilst playing lots of fun games. They are very excited to put all the skills to use in our first class game of cricket.

Year 4 loved their 'Let's Learn Together' session where they made Keynote animations of a tsunami. They have been learning all about natural disasters ahead of making their own news reports next week. We can't wait to see them!









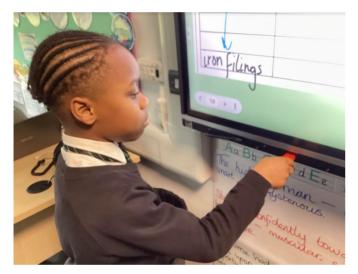
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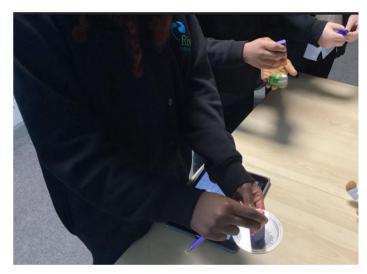


## Our week in upper key stage 2

It has been an exciting week this week during science lessons in Year 5! The children were learning about magnetism and which materials and objects are attracted by magnetic fields. They enjoyed holding the north poles of two magnets together and watching them repel each other.

Year 6 have continued to impress us with their resilience, completing mock SATs! The children have also been using Keynote to create some impressive animations. They have then used these to create their own game linked to WW2.









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#### **Attendance**

# Golden Classes:

# Severn, Thames, Tocantins

## This Term's Attendance Reward

For children with attendance of 97% or better (no more than 5 days of absence)





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### **Pastoral**

#### **Easter HAF Programme**

The HAF programme signup is now live. If you have received your postcard from Walsall Right 4 Children you can sign up for Easter programmes and sessions on the following link <a href="https://www.walsall.gov.uk/children">www.walsall.gov.uk/children</a> and young people/haf signup or call 01922 653899. Activities will be happening at Rivers Primary Academy so book on now! Please come and see us next Thursday 07.03.24 between 3.10pm-4.00pm, if you need help to sign up.



# WALSALL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME 2024

#### What's on offer?

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for free school meals. The programme is running over Easter, Summer and Christmas 2024.

#### Take part in:

- Holiday clubs
- Multi sports activities
- Football
- Swimming
- Drama
- Arts and crafts
- Cooking
- Graphic design
- Gaming
- and much more...









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# This Week/Next Week

This Week	
Monday 4 March	
Tuesday 5 March	
Wednesday 6 March	
Thursday 7 March	World Book Day- Dress up as a character or in pyjamas
Friday 8 March	0900: Celebration assembly (invite only)

Next Week	
Monday 11 March	1415: Severn Let's Learn Together Parent Workshop
Tuesday 12 March	
Wednesday 13 March	1415: Thames let's Learn Together Parent Workshop
Thursday 14 March	
Friday 15 March	0900: Celebration assembly (invite only)

PE Days					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Year 2 Year 3	Nursery Year 1 Year 5 Year 6	Year 1 Year 4 Year 6	Year 4	Reception Year 2 Year 3 Year 5	

