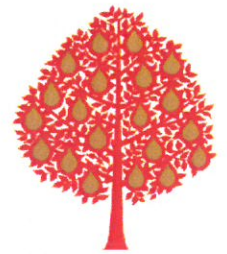


*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



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How, why, what

This week was National Science Week, so at Perryfields Infants we have all been concentrating on 'how things work', 'what will happen if' and why?

It has been a very practical week, with many different experiences for the children. For example, they have been finding out what type of material is waterproof; how to make a balloon static; why does a metal spoon stick to a magnet but not a plastic one? The list of questions is endless and the children have learnt so much.

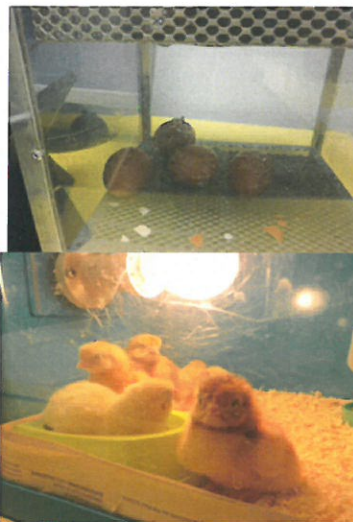
The children have been working in the classroom, in the hall, in the playground and the school has been buzzing! It was fantastic to see so many parents joining in with the fun.

There has also been the added excitement of chicks hatching! We took delivery of 10 eggs which were kept warm in an incubator and we watched carefully. The children saw the chicks pecking the eggs with their beaks. The children watched in fascination as the exhausted, wet chicks pushed their way out.

Next week the teachers and children will be able to closely observe, touch and hold the chicks before they are returned to the farm.

They are absolutely beautiful.

I would like to thank Miss Gilson for overseeing Science Week and arranging all the different activities.



School Help

As the weather has warmed up we are hoping that we will soon be able to start growing things in our allotments. The ground however is still a bit too hard for the children to turn over. If anyone is a keen gardener and

has some spare time that they could volunteer for the job it would be greatly appreciated.

Library help—our school library is in desperate need of a good sort out. The staff, children and I are constantly tidying but the job really needs

dedicated time. We used to have a fabulous parent volunteer who came in once a week or fortnight to help with this job. If anyone is able to give up some time to help with the library please call in to speak to me or let a class teacher know. All help would be appreciated.

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Dates for your diary...

- 24 Mar—FIPS Easter Disco
- 27 Mar— 4-6.30pm parents consultation
- 29 Mar—6-8.30pm parents consultation
- 31 Mar—9.15am Emerald Class assembly
- 31 Mar—Last Day—Easter holidays
- 17 Apr—Easter Monday bank holiday
- 18 Apr—non-pupil day
- 19 Apr—Children back to school
- 1 May—Bank Holiday
- 26 May—Ruby Class assembly 9.15am
- 26 May—Last Day Half Term
- 5 June—Non pupil day
- 7 June—Yr2 Mini Olympics
- 8 June—Whole School Trip (details to follow)
- 9 June—KS1 swimming starts
- 15 June—1.30pm Infant school sports day
- 16 June—Inflatables day 3—5.30pm
- 22 June—Class photos

Road Safety

A big thank you to all of you who have been considerably parking away from the school and walking in and not dropping off or turning in the school car park entrance. If everyone can remember to leave home just a few minutes earlier then parking spaces can be found and the children can still be in school on time. Since the number of parking permits have increased near the school it has been harder to park however as the majority of people live near the school the easiest option is to walk. We have seen a definite improvement since a member of staff has been at the entrance.

Since the weather has improved it has been lovely to see so many children coming to school on their bikes and scooters.

This week I received an email from the Peartrees Private Day Nursery next door asking me to remind parents **NOT** to park in their car park as this is only for children and parents currently attending their nursery. Please be considerate to our neighbours.

Dates continued...

- 23 June—9.15am Topaz Class assembly
- 6 July—Year 2 & Year 3 disco at the Juniors (details to follow)
- 13 July—Open Evening and move around day
- 14 July—Last swimming
- 19 July—1.45pm Year 2 leavers assembly (details to follow)
- 20 July—9.30 Year 2 leavers assembly (details to follow)
- 21 July—Last Day
- Summer Holidays
- 4 Sept—Non Pupil Day
- 5 Sept—Children return to school.

Gym Competition

Last Tuesday we had one small team of gymnasts representing the school at the Chelmsford Gym Competition. The children performed their routine to a panel of judges—and in spite of their ages it was all very serious. The team have worked extremely hard and made the school proud and came 4th out of 11 schools. FANTASTIC NEWS!

Congratulations Kas, Nour, Norah, Poppy, Lucas, Orla, Maisie and Lulu. What talented children we have here at Perryfields Infant School.



Clubbercise

On Wednesday nights 7.30-8.30pm Clubbercise has come to Perryfields Infant School hall. This is a new fun way of keeping fit for adults which involves disco lights, glow sticks and simple routines to familiar club anthems. As I was leaving work Wednesday evening it looked like lots of fun. Dancing in the dark! For more information please contact Andrea—07810 032945.

The Big Question



This week for Science Week we have been asking the children to think of their favourite experiment. We have also asked the children to tell us about an experiment that they may have safely carried out at home.

The children have been naturally curious and keen to learn more using lots of scientific vocabulary. I hope they have been talking to you at home about it.