



NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN

1ST HALFTERM

2023





NOTE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

What a brilliant start to the school year!

Our children have been extremely busy showing their teachers how well they can learn and how determined they are to be successful!! Arriving in their smart school uniform ensures they are ready to learn- thank you for your support..

We continue to follow our Jackfield Values



Be kind,



Be polite,



Be sensible

The children have already used a democratic vote to appoint our School Council for this year.

We hope you are enjoying the regular information on Class Dojo that show the great things our children are doing to develop their knowledge. You will also have seen the wide range of activities we have taken part in- our Vocabulary Parade, Wellbeing Wednesday, Mental Health Take 10 and Harvest, to name a few.

Well done Everyone!!!!

Mrs Davies

JACKFIELD SCHOOL COUNCIL

The children have had the opportunity to stand as school council representatives for their class. Each child has then voted for two pupils to represent them, so here are our elected School Council members for this year! We will have half termly meetings to make decisions on school events, to discuss how we can improve our school and how we can help in the community. Congratulations to these children for being trusted with this very important role by their friends.

Chairperson – Samuel

RA - Havana and Johnny

RB - Maaz and Halima

Y1B - Jayden and Andrea

Y1R - Bethany and Shaheer

Y2C - Ibrahim and Hallie

Y2N - Shelby and Eliud

Vocabulary Parade



On 6th October all of the children in the New Guild Trust were invited to create an outfit that reflected a specific word.

What a *fantastic* effort was made and there were certainly some adventurous word choices!

Our parade helped others learn new vocabulary.



Our Year One children hosted our annual Harvest Festival assembly for the rest of the school following their learning on the Creation Story and how Christians say thank you to God for our wonderful world. They showcased all the donations that we collected for the Stoke-on-Trent Food Bank. They sang songs, read prayers and showed off some excellent dance moves.

Thank you for your generous donations. These will make a difference to the work of Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank.



NURSERY



Nursery have been learning 'all about me' this half term.

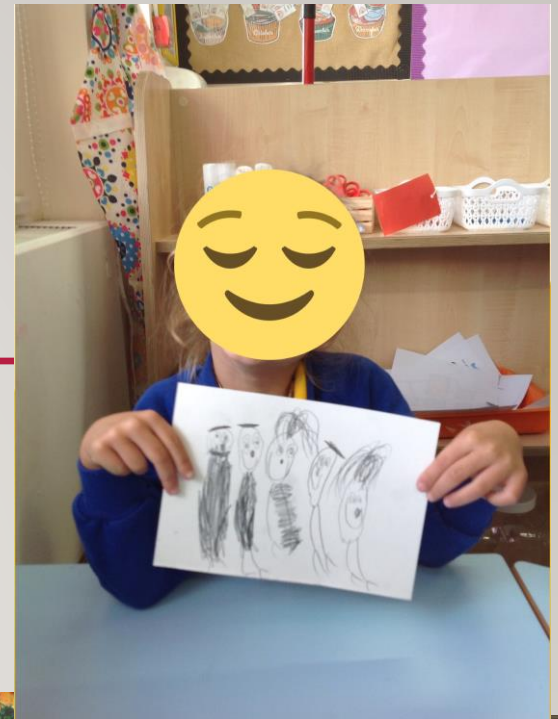
We painted pictures of ourselves for our Magical Me display.

We have been learning all about Autumn and have explored pumpkins and baked using the pumpkins.

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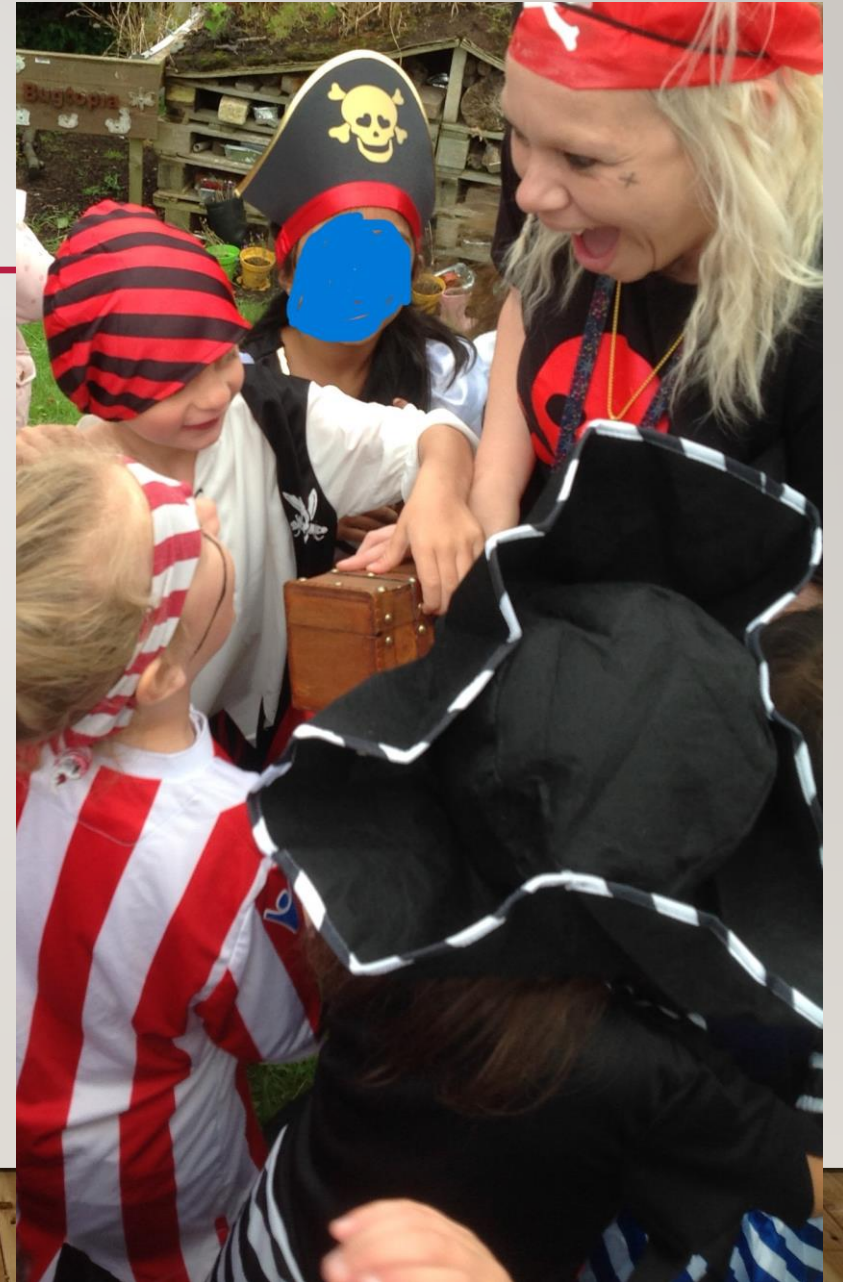
In Reception we began the term thinking all about 'me'. We have created lots of art work including painting portraits of ourselves, drawing our families and leaf people art. We have talked during circle times about who is in our families and how they can be different. We have enjoyed our PE lessons this term learning key fundamental skills such as moving in different ways and playing games. We have also learnt about Autumn and shared objects we would find in Autumn. This half term we have enjoyed exploring the different areas in our classroom and making friendships.



YEAR 1



Year 1 launched their pirate topic with a swashbuckling day of fun. They followed Captain Goldenteeth's map to find the treasure and then made maps of their own. They created pirate stories with the small world, made parrots and painted pictures of pirates. They even had their own pirate names and learnt how to talk like a pirate.



YEAR 2



In Year 2 we began the term thinking about ourselves in science and what humans need to be healthy and survive. We completed an experiment to see the best way to remove glitter germs. In History and English we have been exploring the events of The Great Fire of London. We turned our classrooms into a bakery and baked our own bread. We also completed lots of research into the fire and why it happened. We have also sang songs in music linked to our topic. This half term we have been really lucky to complete gymnastics with the ASM sports coaches. We have practised lots of new skills and had lots of fun.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Construction



Boxercise





ATTENDANCE



Our school target
is 97%

When everyone arrives on time...

Registration takes place quickly
All children can get straight into learning
All children are happy and settled
Class teachers have more time with children
Children do not miss out on fun things

When a child arrives late...

Time is wasted
Your child may miss key teaching objectives
The class concentration is disturbed
Your child may feel unsettled as they enter after their friends
Late or unauthorised marks are entered onto the register.



If your child is going to be absent from school please report this to the school office by no later than 9.30a.m. on 01782 234450

Please note that if your child has been physically sick either in school time or at home, then in accordance with the Health Protection Agency, we are not permitted to have your child back in school until 48 hours has passed since the last sickness episode.

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

- Please read with your child at least 4 times a week. Don't forget to sign the reading diary so your child can earn Dojo points!

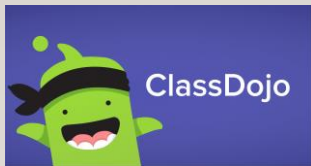
Here are some of the online resources children have access to:



- Homework is set on Tuesdays and should be completed by the following Monday



Links are available on the Jackfield Infant School Website



Keep checking Dojo for videos to with ideas about how you can support your child.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUTUMN TERM 2023

School Opens - Tuesday 5th September

School Closes - Friday 27th October

Half Term - Monday 30th October to Monday 6th November (inclusive)

School Opens - Tuesday 7th November

School Closes - Thursday 21st December

SPRING TERM 2024

School Opens - Monday 8th January

School Closes - Friday 9th February

Half Term Holiday - Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February (inclusive)

School Opens - Monday 19th February

School Closes - Friday 22nd March

SUMMER TERM 2024

School Opens - Monday 8th April

May Day Holiday - Monday 6th May

School Closes - Friday 24th May

Half Term - Monday 27th May to Monday 3rd June (inclusive)

School Opens - Tuesday 4th June

School Closes - Friday 19th July