



NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN

2ND HALFTERM

2023



NOTE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

This term has been extremely busy in school. We are incredibly proud of how well our children have worked and their excellent attitude to learning. We have also been on many visits out of school and at all times our children have upheld our Jackfield Promise.



Be kind

We are grateful for your support as we have been raising money for different charities- Children in Need, British Legion and Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank.



Be polite

Every child took part in a concert this year. We are so proud of their confidence and resilience. Again I must thank you for your support in our fundraising. The result was showcased in our concerts- a fantastic new lighting system and the excellent sound system.



Be sensible

On behalf of all the staff at Jackfield, I wish you a merry Christmas and happy new year!

Mrs Davies

JACKFIELD SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council decided on a teddy bear's picnic to raise money for Children in Need. Pupils bought in their own teddy bear for a picnic in class, they wore spots and donated a coin. Altogether we raised £232.21!



The School Council members have also been introduced to the Rota Kids project. Keep an eye out for upcoming projects to support our school and the local community.

To spread some Christmas cheer, our councilors also visited Gorsefield Residential Home to deliver secret Santa presents from members of staff and to sing Christmas songs.



Remembrance



In November our Year 2 children represented the school by attending the Cenotaph in Burslem. They lay a wreath, with Moorpark Junior School, to remember those who serviced and sacrificed.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

- Here is a snap shot of the activities that took place in the last 2 weeks of term.



Look out for more pictures on School Story.

NURSERY



Nursery have been writing letters to Santa. We chose pictures from the catalogues and put them on the letters ready to post. We walked to the post box to send our letters to Santa.



RECEPTION



In Reception this half term we have enjoyed learning about 'people who help us'. We explored the roles of different people who help us, including lollipop people and talked about how to cross a road safely. We were very lucky and had a visitor to talk to us about staying safe in a car. We discussed cars from the past and present. We have enjoyed creating lots of different art work such as collaging police cars and painting people who help us. As the season changed we discussed Winter including snowflakes, nocturnal animals, environments different to ours (The Arctic) and enjoyed making snow globe sun catchers.



YEAR 1



Year One have been very busy this half term continuing their learning on Pirates! We have started learning about different materials in Science. The children used their learning to design and make their own pirate peg doll in DT. They loved playing with them and the 3D pirate ships that they made as part of their homework. We wrote a set of instructions on how to make them too.



YEAR 2



Year 2 went on a trip to Ford Green Hall. They had a tour of Ford Green Hall and found out when it was built and what it would be like to live there hundreds of years ago. Next they met Samuel Pepys and found out more about the Great Fire of London. Everyone had a fantastic time!



In computing we have been using Chrome Music Lab to make our own digital music.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Construction



Boxercise





ATTENDANCE



Our school target
is 97%

School keeps you safe, it educates you, it prepares you for your future.



Learning is like a tower of blocks where we build on firm foundations. Absence creates gaps in learning making new information difficult to embed.



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.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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