

Newsletter 5 – Autumn 1



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Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Quick sticks Hockey at Ruskin High School 3.30pm-5.30pm	
Thursday	Yr 1 and 2 Football at Crewe Soccer Centre 12.30 pm- 3.00pm	
Friday		
Advanced Notice:		
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.	

We are Brilliant Winners

EYFS:

KS1: Maya (1A), Annalise (1B), Savannah (2A) Caitlyn (2B)

KS2: 3B Taiah 3A Isabelle, Walter, Mia – Anne, Filip (5A),

The Hub

This week The Hub children have had the opportunity to look at seed potatoes and then take part in planting them. They learnt that the potatoes need soil, water and somewhere safe to grow and enjoyed helping to bury them under the dirt. We will observe what happened to the potatoes over the coming weeks and will hopefully get to harvest them in the Winter.



Nursery

This week we have been doing lots of playing and learning. We also had our first Stay and Play of the year where we showed our grownups our Nursery. We also played with them in the playdough, we made cards and we played with some of our favourite toys. Thank you to those who attended.



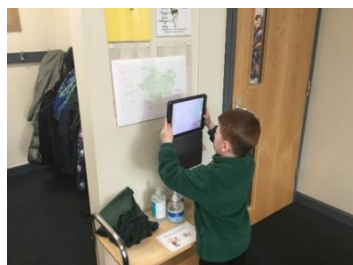
Reception

This week Reception have made a new friend, Harold the Giraffe, in our PSHE lessons! We listened to his song all about being special, and talked to our friends about what makes us special. We did lots of fun activities to share our differences and learn more about us! We drew pictures of our favourite things, compared the things we liked with our friends, made faces that looked like ours with fruits and vegetables, and put our friends faces back together with picture puzzles!



Year 1

Year 1 have been studying maps from various locations. They have used iPads to take photographs of symbols that represent places or objects on a map.



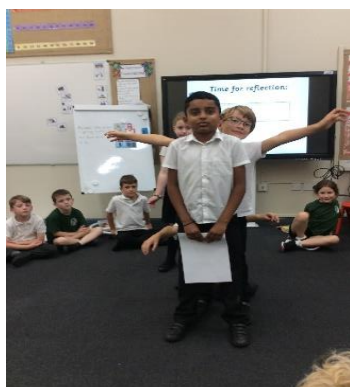
Year 2

This week, Year 2 looked at shells under the electronic microscope. They were amazed at how much detail they could see and couldn't believe how different they looked.



Year 3

This week in RE we learnt about the story of Lakshmi and the washerwoman and the meaning of it. We then ordered the story and acted it out.



Year 4

This week, Year 4 have been completing our DT projects – Creating Instruments. We have been using our knowledge of sounds and vibrations to create a range of instruments. We have loved creating percussion instruments, string instruments and wind instruments!



Year 5

This week, the children have completed an experiment in RE today. Firstly, they created a representation of a crucifix using lollipop sticks and an elastic band. Once this was together, they filled a glass with water and added iodine to represent people's sins by making the water dirty. Then, the children stuck crystals to the crucifix which, when added to the water, turned the dirty water clear again. This showed how a friendship with God could be mended and how sins are forgiven.



Year 6

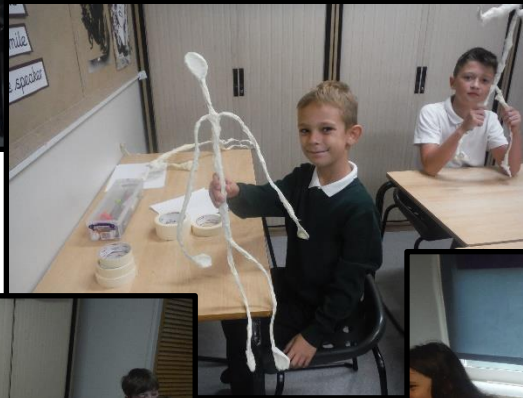
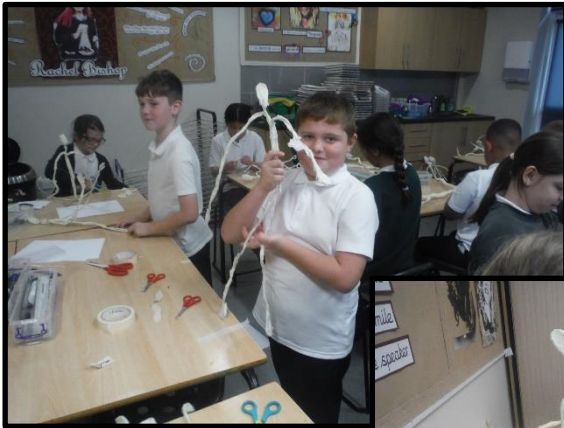
This week, Year 6 have made pizzas in DT to link with our Science topic. We used a microbe, yeast, and observed how it affected the dough we made to create a healthy pizza. We explored the different bases we could use to make our pizzas and also tasted lots of different herbs and spices to see what our favourites were to add to our toppings.



Art News

Focus on Year 5

Year 5 have been working on our elongated, skeletonised human sculptures that reflect the work of Alberto Giacometti. We have been focusing on strengthening our structures and will move on to think about our chosen posture next week. We can't wait to exhibit these in our upcoming exhibition for Artsmark celebration week on 14th and 15th October!



REHEARSAL PLAN

Friday Lunchtimes

School Choir

(12pm—12:30pm Art Room)

Thursday Evening

Community Choir

(4:30pm—5:30pm—Art Room)

15th September

21st September

22nd September

28th September

29th September

5th October

6th October

12th October

13th October

All are welcome from Year 4—Year 11—come and join the family!

Contact Mrs Walsh for details

soul  children
crewe & nantwich



**From now until Thursday 19th
October, we are collecting
non-perishable food as part of our
Harvest celebration. Please bring these into your
classroom.**

We are also collecting donations of money for
WaterAid, to provide clean water for those in
need.

Please join with us
and help us to help others.



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PE News

Y5&6 Tag rugby competition



On Wednesday our Y5&6 tag rugby team took part in the Crewe and Nantwich tag rugby competition at Crewe Vagrants. The team were amazing! They played with great enthusiasm, skill and a positive attitude. Well done to all involved.

Wistaston Academy v Hungerford Primary	6-2
Wistaston Academy v Willaston Primary	3-3
Wistaston Academy v Pear Tree Primary	5-2
Wistaston Academy v Hungerford Primary	4-2
Wistaston Academy v St Anne's Primary	5-3
Wistaston Academy v Audlem St James Primary	4-4

Y3&4 Football tournament

Unfortunately, the Y3&4 Tag rugby competition was cancelled on Thursday due to the heavy rain forecast. The tournament has been re arranged for Thursday 23rd November.

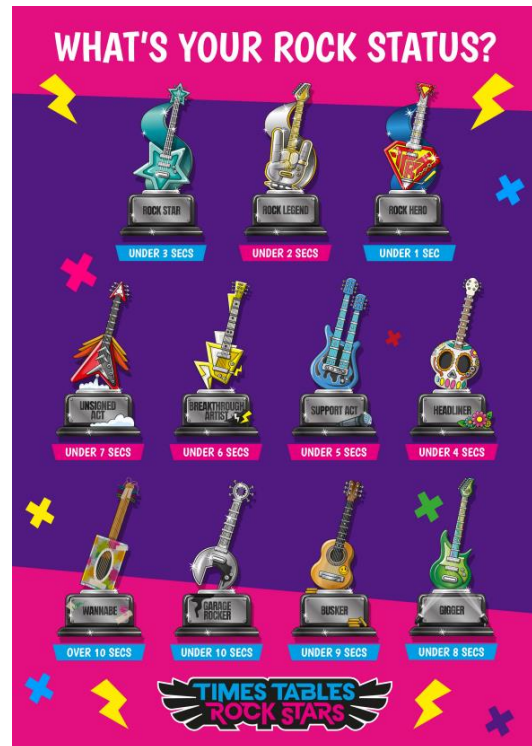
As a school we don't make the decision to cancel competitions, it's the role of the Crewe and Nantwich school sports organiser. We are very sorry for the late notice and have spoken to him about letting us know earlier in future.

Maths News

If your child is in Reception or KS1, they will now have access to an app called **Numbots**. If your child is in KS2 they will have access to an app called **Times Table Rocks Stars (TTRS)**.

Logging on for just a few minutes each day will make a massive difference to their basic number/times tables skills.

Watch out for a range of competitions to be announced in celebration assembly!



Reading News

Talking to your children about the books they read is one of the best ways to support your child's development. Here are some tips on how to start a book discussion with your child:

After your child has finished a book, ask questions like:

- What was your favourite part of the book? Why?
- Who was your favourite character? Why?
- What was the most interesting thing you learned from the book?
- Why do you think the author wrote this book?
- Would you have ended the book differently? Did it end the way you thought it would?
- Did the problem of the book's plot get solved?
- If you could change one thing in the book, what would it be?

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TODAY

the day to

 **READ**

SOMETHING

NEW!

Reception Library

After school every

Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday

3:15pm – 3:30pm

Dream Big
READ!



KS1 Library

Open everyday

3:15pm until 3:30pm