



# Stuart Road Primary Academy Newsletter

So ends yet another busy and productive week of learning at Stuart Road. I have been busy hearing how many pupils have completed Chutta Challenges this week and earned themselves a challenge class dojo for doing so, and there are quite a few so far! If your child is in Year 6, please do not forget to put an order in for your leaver's hoodie as the deadline is this week. Thank you to those parents who have already completed the Relationships and Health online survey, there is still time to complete one as the deadline is next Friday. Wishing all our families a sunny and fun-filled long weekend and see you back in school on Tuesday.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Nicholls



## **We want you!**

Friends of Stuart Road PTA are to meet for the first time since lockdown on Thursday 6th May. Charlotte Kelly, PTA Chair to host and will send you a Zoom invite. We need as many people as possible to help re-launch the Friends of Stuart Road PTA and start fundraising for our wonderful school. Register your interest to attend by emailing Charlotte at

[FOSRPTA@gmail.com](mailto:FOSRPTA@gmail.com)

## **Notices**

- Parent phone consultations (Parent evening): Monday 5<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Information to follow.
- Transition days for new Foundation pupils starting in September: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.
- 50/50 Club: There is still time to join in the 50/50 club, it's just £8 for the rest of the year (£1 per month) 50% of the money goes to the school and 50% to the winner (currently £13.50). Contact Charlotte Kelly via email FOSRPTA@GMAIL.COM for more information.

## **Messages from Teachers**

### **Foundation**

We have had a busy week getting back into the routine of Read Write Inc again and Number Time having had Balanceability last week. We have also been hard at work with writing some captions to go with our Jack and the Beanstalk storyboard which will continue for the following two weeks too. We have also had an exciting delivery of some new large wooden blocks and had great fun building dens with them.

### **Year 1**

This week the children have been using their brilliant knowledge of our writing features in a variety of different ways. We have been finding them within a texts, writing our own and spotting mistakes in other texts.

We have also continued with our minibeasts work. We found woodlice and created a habitat for them. We predicted what they would like and then discussed the results.

During maths we have been working on our understanding of arrays. We did this in many ways from using tokens, drawing in our books, using addition and even going outside and drawing examples on the playground.

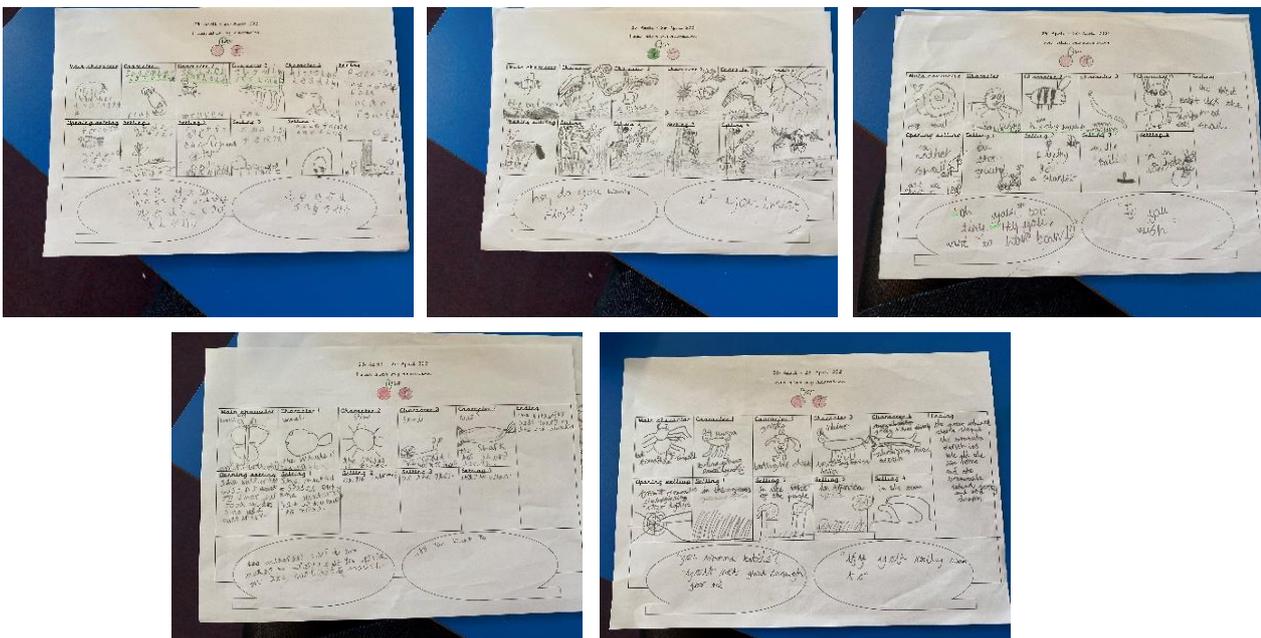
## Year 2

This week year 2 children were introduced to Chutta which is our robot that rewards challenge. The children have received dojo points for challenging themselves and keep on going despite difficulties. Please ask the children how many dojo points they have collected this week.

In Maths, we have continued our work on multiplication and the children have learned how to write multiplication sentences from pictorials.

In English the children have created their own story maps, coming up with their own characters and settings. They have also come up with expanded noun phrases to describe their characters.

Well done Year 2 for challenging yourself this week.



## Year 3

This week we finished our work on length and perimeter by working out the perimeter of a variety of different shapes and patterns. The children have had to do lots of tricky converting and I'm very proud with how hard they have all worked. We have continued our work with the Anglo-Saxons by learning and writing fact files about different Norse Gods, with Thor being a firm class favourite. Today we carry on with our training for the Olympics as we take on the shot put!

## Year 4

Year 4 have been busy bees learning all about decimals this week! Although it's been tricky, they have shown great perseverance and we seemed to have cracked it! Amazing effort, Year 4!

We have also been studying Norse Gods, researching and then writing about them in both our English and Topic sessions. We have just started to look at where the Norse Gods were said to have lived and will continue this next week.

Our week has ended beautifully with some art! We looked at illuminated letters and had a go at producing ones ourselves! Ask your children about them and perhaps have a go at creating some at home!

## **Year 5**

Apologies, due to staff absence an update will be in the newsletter next week.

## **Year 6**

This week we have been focusing on challenging ourselves and year 6 have done phenomenally. We have been learning about Ratio in maths and the children have tackled some challenging questions. In English we have started to write our own medical dilemma story. The children have done incredibly with this work! In topic we have continued to learn about the heart and develop our understanding of the circulatory system.

## **Awards**

### **Foundation**

Headteacher's award: Caleb Hickman for lovely name writing.

Headteacher's award: James Edney for trying really hard in Read Write Inc.

### **Year 1**

Head Teacher Award: James Bennett - Responsible attitude towards learning

Mathematician of the week: Thomas Cleave - Determination in maths

Writer of the week: Ryan Fordham: Hard work and responsible attitude towards learning

### **Year 2**

Writer of the week: Taibah Akthar for a fantastic story about an angry bug and for always challenging herself to use better vocabulary in her writing.

Mathematician of the week: Rex Mawdsley for always engaging in our Maths sessions and being perseverant even when something is difficult.

Headteachers award: Bano Alharif for always being a responsible learner and trying hard in everything that she does.

### **Year 3**

Mathematician of the week: Ralph Ingleson for really challenging himself in all of his lessons.

Writer of the week: Silun Niu for an excellent fact file about Alfred the Great.

Headteachers award: Damian Miterka for always ensuring people have someone to play with during play times.

### **Year 4**

Mathematician of the week: Jakob Martinez - for reflecting upon previous learning to help him with tricky work about decimals.

Writer of the week: Harry Leaman - for taking ownership of his learning and challenging himself to use a variety of punctuation.

Headteacher's award: Leah Twitty - for settling in so beautifully and gaining independence.

### **Year 6**

Mathematician of the week: Leo Embling for developing his answers in maths.

Writer of the week: Laurie Harkness for his wonderful ideas in writing.

Headteacher's award: Jack Searle for always being ready to learn.

## **Reminders:**

### **Parent and Carers dropping off and collecting children**

- Whilst every effort has been made to minimise contact please may we remind parents to maintain the 2m social distancing regulation and wear masks when dropping off/picking up children. Thank you.

## **Information for parents**

### **What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19**

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should inform the school and organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

There is also an additional testing service for children in Plymouth schools: parents or carers can also book a test by emailing [d-ccq.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net](mailto:d-ccq.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net)

### **Symptoms of COVID 19**

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a recent onset of:

- New continuous cough/and/or
- High temperature and/or
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

**For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.**

### **How to stop COVID-19 spreading**

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19. Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

### **Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline opening hours**

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline remains available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Please listen carefully to the available options and select the most appropriate to your nursery, school, or college's current situation.

Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling: Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm