

St Augustine's News



Newsletter 6

www.staugustines.dorset.sch.uk

23rd October 2014

Welly Wednesday



The children had an inspirational day yesterday, when all the staff planned activities that involved outdoor learning.

Reception Class followed up earlier work on the senses by going on a 'Sensory Hunt' as they used their senses of sight and touch to look for different textures in the environment, such as objects that were 'hard, soft, rough and smooth.' This provided a great opportunity to extend vocabulary!

Year 1's theme was Autumn Leaves. They searched high and low for different types of leaves, taking these back to the classroom to produce some autumn inspired art.

Year 2 used nature to inspire their art work too. They used natural found materials to create sculptures and collages and back in the classroom photographed their work.

Year 3 made shelters for their mini "Roman people" (Lego figures).

Years 4 and 5 produced lovely Autumn poetry based upon things they saw and found in the natural environment!

Year 6 were doing maths outside, finding the areas of different parts of the school environment using trundle wheels and calculating areas from their results.

We hope to have more learning like this soon!

Harvest Celebrations

Thank you for all your generous donations last week - Soul Food were very grateful and some of the children had the opportunity to take the food down there and speak to the volunteers and clients.



Uniform

After half-term, we expect all children to be in the correct winter uniform - full details on the website. A reminder that both the old and new school uniform are acceptable for this year, but not a mixture of the two. In line with the Governors' Policy on uniform, we will be speaking to parents of children who are not wearing the correct uniform, so please take the half-term holiday as an opportunity to buy any items you may need.

Website

A reminder to keep a regular eye on our website - save it to your favourites. It is the best way of finding out everything that is going on in school, including important dates, lunch menus, letters and photos of what the children have been doing. The site can be viewed on smartphones and tablets and we will be launching the parent app later in the year.



Well Done

To Year 2 on a journey around the world for their assembly and to Reception last week for all the songs and dances they learnt!



Musical Maestros!

Well done to all the children who took part in our mini-concert this afternoon - it's not easy to perform in front of an audience! Thank you to Mrs Ayles for organising.

School Council Conference

Our school councillors are attending a training conference today organised by the Chesil Partnership. We hope they will come back with lots of ideas on how to improve the school!

Samaritan's Purse



It is the time of year when we think of children less fortunate than ours, regardless of background or religion and send some love in a box.

If you are able to make up a box to send out to a child for Christmas it would be fantastic or donate items to go in a box would be great. A leaflet will go home tonight with ideas and labels to go on the box. Suggested items- pens, toothbrush, toothpaste, cuddly toy, tennis balls, puzzles, colouring books etc Please send anything suitable into school to Mrs Wilkins year 3.

Reminder

School is closed tomorrow as the staff are all attending a Diocesan Training Day. We restart on Monday 1st November as normal.

