

Risdene Academy Weekly Newsletter

17th November 2017

Parent's Consultation Evening

It was lovely to see so many of you this week. Thank you for taking the time to complete and update your data forms and fill in the questionnaires. We are busy collating the results from the questionnaires and we look forward to sharing them with you. Please remember if there is something you are not happy with or you think we need to be aware of please do not hesitate to contact us.

Attendance

Our current whole School Attendance is 96.02%. Our target is to be at 96.5% or higher at the end of year. In a Monday assembly, we celebrate the class with the highest attendance. This week's results were:

1st Place—Owls with 99.29%

2nd Place—Hawks with 98.85%

3rd Place—Red Kites with 98.26%

Forest Points

In a Monday assembly we also celebrate our hard work in lessons and the forest points we have been earning for our teams. Forest points are given out for a range of reasons including use of manners, positive behaviour choices and learning behaviour choices. This week's results were:

1st Place—Salcey with 965 2nd Place—Theford with 956

3rd Place—Rockingham with 845 4th Place—Sherwood with 659

Foundation Stage

This week the children acted as detectives solving clues to nursery rhyme mysteries...they discovered who pushed Humpty Dumpty off the wall. They figured out who stole the last bag of wool from the little boy down the lane. They also helped it'sy bitsy spider get up the water spout. In mathematics we have learnt about money, recognising different coins and using coins to pay for items. The children loved paying for sweets!

Year 1/2

This week Ants, Dragonflies and Bees have been learning how to write speech as part of their English work on Diwali, retelling the story of Rama and Sita using speech bubbles and inverted commas. We have also been trying to use expression when reading aloud, the ten headed monster -Ravana- has had a variety of menacing voices in each of our classes this week. Subtraction and addition have been a focus in maths with lots of problem solving going on. As the weather is getting chillier, can you please make sure that your children have an outdoor PE kit for their PE lessons on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Year 3/4

This week Year 3 and 4 explored the meaning behind remembrance Sunday. After our two minutes silence, we created a silhouette painting where we blended paint and water to create an ombre effect. The final pieces were beautiful and will be displayed in classrooms and around the school. Additionally, we have begun to learn about comic strips and what is needed to construct them. We have been carefully planning to use onomatopoeia to support the images within our comic strips. They are really coming together. Our magician visit was also amazing!

Year 5/6

Year 5 and 6 have been tremendously busy this week. We have found prime numbers, worked out the lowest common multiples and solved problems with factors. Also we have entered a poetry competition with the 'Premier League' and using our creativity to make Anderson Shelters as part of our 'Conflict' topic. All in all a very busy week

KS1 Choir Performance at Cordwainers

Our KS1 choir have been out today at their first show. They were absolutely amazing and everyone watching had a smile on their faces. Well done to all involved.

School Photos

On Monday 20th we have our new school photographer in school. The children will have an individual photo taken and in the afternoon we will arrange for all siblings to have their photos taken. If all runs smoothly the children will then come home with the proofs ready for you to choose from. I