

Visit to Jodrell Bank

Year 5 children visited Jodrell Bank as part of our topic on Earth and Space. Whilst there, we carried out experiments on how mass and distance affects crater size; how light travels from the sun and we measured mass with a Newton meter. We also compared the qualities of different rocks to determine which rock was a meteorite. We also went into the planetarium where we learned about stars and constellations.



Bee in the City

Our Bee has returned from its stay at the Manchester Museum. We will be finding a new home for it shortly, but it is currently situated near to the main office if you wish to come and see it!

EYFS News

Our youngest children in school have settled well into our daily routines and are enjoying making new friends and learning through play indoors and outdoors. Thank you to parents who have attended our themed workshops organised by Ms Humphrey, we hope they have been useful.

Stay and Play for Nursery

We have a stay and play session every Friday morning for ALL parents in Nursery and Reception please come along! We would love to see you.



Reception: Platt Fields



Children have been on their first outing of the year. We enjoyed a walk to Platt Fields Park and we collected Autumn objects to use in the classroom as part of our Autumn topic.

Reminder for New Children

Just a reminder that if your child does not have a book bag yet, please can you buy one from the school office so that your child can keep their home reading books safe. Thank you to parents for all your support this half term.



Angel Award Nomination

Our school has been nominated for a Historic England Angel Award as part of the Year 5's Suffragette project which included artwork, making posters and badges and marching to Platt Fields. Children's work was exhibited at Manchester Central Library during the summer and 6 of our children represented the school at the Celebration Event. Please vote for us on the Historic England website or via the link on the school website Home Page. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/AngelAwards18>

Grosvenor Estate

This half term, all Year 6 classes have visited Grosvenor Estate - a private estate owned by the Duke of Westminster - as part of our science topic (Living Things and their Habitats). We learnt about habitats, predators and prey and classification during our day out.

Ghyll Head

Year 6 had a wonderful weekend in rural Windermere, Cumbria from 5th - 7th October. 44 children took part in a range of activities: climbing wall, zip wire, rowing on Lake Windermere, caving and Ghyll scrambling. For many children, this was the first opportunity to attempt these challenges. Everyone participated and tested themselves by 'having a go'



Chess Competition

Seven children competed in the Ashton Chess Competition on Saturday 13th October. All children competed well especially Fatih in Year 6, winning 4 matches and drawing 1 out of a possible 5. He was awarded a special medal and prize for winning his group. Well done to all who competed!



Parking

We are using traffic cones on the road to try and keep our children safe and stop cars parking illegally on double yellow lines. Please be mindful when dropping off and collecting your children from school. Thanks you for your support.



School Council

There are 17 pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 who make up the School Council. This term, the School Council met with the Ms Burnett our School head cook to discuss the school lunch menu.



Sports Results: Autumn 1

Cross Country: A girls and boys team represented the school in our first Cross Country competition after the summer holidays. Well done to all children and Sarah who finished 6th and will now go on to represent the school in the Manchester Finals.

Girls Football League: For the first time, we entered a girls football league, and selected a squad of 8 from 50 girls who wanted to play. At their first competition, the team drew 2, won 2 and lost 1 game. We are extremely proud of how all the girls played.

Year 6 Mixed Manchester United Tournament: 3 mixed teams played at a tournament at Manchester Academy. Each player worked hard as a team member, never giving up. Team 1 made it through to the final. Abakar also impressed the organisers to win 'Player of the Tournament', and was awarded with a football and two Manchester United tickets! Asia was player of the match for Claremont. Well done!

Healthy Schools

We are proud of our Healthy School status and try to promote healthy lifestyles in our assemblies, curriculum and with our menus for lunch. We would like to take the opportunity to remind parents to only send in healthy snacks, and not cakes and sweets. For children on packed lunches, sweets, chocolates, sugary or fizzy drinks and nuts should not be brought into school. Water and fruit juice are acceptable for packed lunches.



Polite Reminder- Lunch changes and payments

Please can you make sure that you let the school office know if your child's school meal pattern changes. We need **2 weeks notice** to make any changes. School meals should always be paid in advance on a Monday morning, and **never kept in arrears**. The office staff will be contacting you if you do owe any meal payments. Thank you for your help and cooperation with this matter.

Autumn 1 Newsletter

