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Pupil of the week

21.5.21

FS2: Zofia and Kandi

Year 1: Mason and Sebastian

Year 2: Joshua and Arya

Nurture: Philip

Year 3: Oliver, Jovana B and Cristian

Year 4: Isaac, Alex and Ronnie

Year 5: Ilia, Fola and Lexi

Year 6: Summer W, Reilly and Brachen

Potter: Keira

Principal Award

28.5.21

FS2: Laura and Kelsie

Year 1: Flavius and Summer-Rose

Year 2: Alby and Layla R

Nurture: Daniel

Year 3: Charlotte, Megan and Nikol

Year 4: Nefertiti, Mikelis and Darcie

Year 5: Liam T, Ioana and Daria

Year 6: Ella, Cassidy and Adam

Potter: Bella

Well done to all these children.

Upcoming Dates

Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June: Half term

Thursday 10th June: Joe Roebuck - Olympic swimmer visiting school

Thursday 17th June: Return deadline for sponsor money (athlete visit)

Monday 5th – Wednesday 7th July: Years 5/6 residential

Friday 9th July: Transfer Day

Friday 16th July: Last day of term

Child cupcake and icing Decorating class

Fancy learning how to bake and decorate a cupcake? Kingswood catering are offering a class at their Teaching Kitchen in Corby on Saturday 10th July 10-12:30pm. The class costs £20 per parents and child.

For more information or to book a place, please email them at events@kingswoodcatering.co.uk stating your full name and telephone number.



[Let's find out what some of our classes have been up to this term](#)



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Year 2

Writing

Year 2 have been learning how to write a letter to say sorry, using characters from storybooks for inspiration. We read a letter from Goldilocks to the Three Bears and used this as a model to write a letter from Crow to Super Worm. We learnt how to structure a letter. In our three main paragraphs we had to admit what we did, explain why we did it and ask for forgiveness. For our independent writing we wrote a letter from The Big Bad Wolf to Little Red Riding Hood. All the children enjoyed their writing and we had some fantastic letters. Arya's is below for you to read.

Dear Little Red Riding Hood,

I am writing to apologise for my aggressive behaviour and for spying on you.

I shouldn't have spied on you. I shouldn't have hidden behind a huge tree. I shouldn't have followed you and threatened to devour you and locked Grandma in the cupboard.

It was because I lost my control and my animal instincts came out. When you walked by, I lost control because you smelt like flowers.

I am now in a spooky, dark wood and I feel guilty, ashamed and tearful. I apologise for my disgraceful behaviour.

Will you forgive me? Will you be my special friend?

Yours hopefully,

Hairy Wolf.



Science Investigation

As part of our Scented Gardens learning project and our science curriculum, we have been growing sunflower seeds under different conditions to find out the importance of light. We made sure we completed a fair test by using the same size pots, same amount of soil, same number of seeds and same amount of water. Then we placed the pots in different amounts of light ranging from direct sunlight to complete darkness. The results were fascinating! The plant with the most light grew tall, strong and green. The plant in the shade was more yellowy green and not as tall or strong. The plant in the dark was white and grew in all directions because it was trying to find the light that it



needed! We felt sorry for it. We are now going to rescue all of the plants by putting them all in the light and we hope they will all recover and become beautiful sunflowers in the school garden.





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Year 5

In Year 5 this term, our topic has been Stargazers, which is all about space!

Science

In our Science lessons we have been looking at the solar system. In particular, we have been learning about the rotation of the Earth and how it orbits around the sun. We have explored how we experience day and night, as well as different seasons throughout the year.



Topic

In our topic lessons, we have been focussing on Geography. We have explored longitude and latitude as well as using our map skills to identify continents. We have used this information to explore the natural and physical features of these areas and how these differ in different parts of the world.



English

In English, we have written a narrative as well as a biography based around Mae Jemison; the first African American woman to go to outer space! We then wrote our own biography after researching Neil Armstrong - the first man to walk on the moon!

MULTIPLYING FRACTIONS BY FRACTIONS

STEP-BY-STEP

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3 \times 1}{4 \times 2} = \frac{3}{8} \leftarrow \text{Simplify?}$$

Maths

In Maths this term, we have been focussing on fractions. In particular, we have been adding fractions and multiplying fractions.



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Year 6

Year Six are excited for the upcoming events in their final term. With the current guidelines permitting, we are hoping to put on a performance of Aladdin! The children have auditioned for their parts this week and have been practising their acting and singing skills. We are so excited to share this with you. Fingers crossed we will be allowed to go ahead!



We have been very fortunate for Claire Connelly (from Service Six) to work with our children to provide online TARGET training.

The TARGET Project is delivered in schools and within communities across Northamptonshire & Leicestershire and is funded by The National Community Lottery Fund. The key aims of the project are to:

- Provide online protective behaviours
- Improve levels of wellbeing
- Increase transferrable life skills
- Provide accredited youth volunteering

Claire has delivered a lesson to all children within the year group and has been working with small groups and 1:1 each week during the term.

Potter Class KS2



Potter class have had a very busy half term! In English, we wrote the ending to the story 'The Hackney Martian' using our unit focus of question marks. The children really enjoyed this story and came up with some interesting ideas for how to end it. The second story we have written is a Tinga Tale, "Why Elephant has a trunk". We focussed on adjectives during this unit and the children have independently written, "Why hippo has no hair".



In maths, we have focussed on multiplication and division this half term. We have all been using concrete (practical) resources to show multiplication and division calculations and we have been practising our times tables to help us with our maths. Some children, have been learning to use their times tables to work out calculations and others have been using a formal written method to show their workings. All children have been applying their knowledge to word problems.



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The children in Potter have asked some brilliant questions this half term in Science as we have looked at 'living things and their habitats'. We looked at different habitats and what animals and plants live there and then discussed what a microhabitat was. After watching a video on how a polar bear has adapted to live in the artic, the children were able to remember lots of facts to include in a piece of writing. Did you know that a polar bear's skin is actually black? The children had a fun afternoon making a bug hotel using their knowledge of the microhabitats. It was lovely to see the children's creativity and imagination. There were many screams of



excitement when bugs moved in before the hotel was ready. Luckily, we did this on a fairly dry afternoon although it did rain straight after the lesson! We will be keeping a close eye on these hotels to see which bugs stay there!



Helping in the local community

Amelia in Year 4 has been giving up her spare time to help those less fortunate than herself, including the homeless people in our town of Corby, by collecting shopping for the local shelter.

We would love to hear what other acts of kindness our Exeter pupils show.



Residential July 2022 – Years 5/6

Bookings have now opened for our Y5/6 (current Year 4/5) children for next year – July 2022. This is an amazing opportunity for a three day residential, experiencing a range of outdoor pursuits including climbing, abseiling, highropes, fencing, caving – just to name a few. Please secure your child's place on the Gateway APP.

Lost property

We have noticed an increase in the amount of lost property around the school in the last few weeks. Can we please ask that over half term you label all your children's clothes so that if they are mis-placed in school, we are able to return them. Lost property will be put outside on tables for parents to look through when the weather allows.



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Olympic swimmer to visit Exeter!

We're very excited to be welcoming top athlete Joe Roebuck to the school on Thursday-10-June.

Joe Roebuck will be leading a **sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils**, and will follow-up with a talk and question and answer session. The aim of the event is to **inspire the pupils** to take up sport generally, but just as importantly to encourage them to discover and then pursue their **passion in life**.

A sponsorship form for your child was sent home earlier this week. This will help us raise money for the event. You can also sponsor your child by following the below link:

www.sportsforschools.org

As the sponsorship form and online sponsorship page explain, much of the money that is raised will be used to improve physical activity for the school, while also **supporting GB athletes (including Paralympic athletes)**.

Please ensure that **sponsorship forms and moneys** are returned to the school office 1 week after the event has taken place.

Please also make sure that your child/children come to school on the event day with their PE Kits!



School Garden and play equipment.

Can we please remind parents that the school garden is not be entered before or after school – the children are working hard with planting vegetables etc in there and will soon be coming through.

Can we also remind you that children should not be on the play equipment before or after school as school staff are not supervising at this time. Thank you.



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Attendance

Our school / government minimum expectation is 96%

Year group	Attendance (Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st May)
Reception	95.9%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 2	93.7%
Year 3	93.5%
Year 4	94.6%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	93.8%

Year group	Attendance (Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th May)
Reception	95.5%
Year 1	94.8%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	92.4%
Year 4	95.4%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	96.8%

Have a great half term everyone, see you on Monday 7th June.

Next Newsletter – Friday 18th June 2021



WHITSUN CAMP HALF TERM PROVISION TUESDAY 1ST JUNE - FRIDAY 4TH JUNE 2021

STEPS TO
BOOK ONLINE

1ST STEP
Register online

2ND STEP
Choose venue

3RD STEP
Select dates and times

FINAL STEP
Confirm and pay



Camp Superstar



Sports



Arts and Craft



Cooking

VENUES

Cottingham C Of E Primary School
Berry Field Road, Cottingham, LE16 8XY

Corby Business Academy
Gretton Road, Corby, NN17 5EB

Tresham College
Windmill Avenue, Kettering NN15 6ER

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TIMES

8.00am – 5.00pm Daily

WE CARE FOR

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|---------------------|---|------------------------|
| Reception to Year 6 | - | Cottingham |
| Year 1 to Year 6 | - | Corby Business Academy |
| Year 1 to Year 6 | - | Tresham College |
| Year 7 to Year 13 | - | Young Leaders |

CSD THE TRUSTED ACTIVITY CAMP FOR KIDS!

Our popular Ofsted approved camp for children in Reception to Year 6. Providing a variety of activities from sports to arts and crafts to keep your children active and entertained in a safe environment. This involves have lots of fun activities for your children to get involved in, so get booking! There will be a small pricing rise to reflect the increases in National Living Wage and facility costs being incurred. As always, we are committed to providing high quality service to you and appreciate your continued support.

We're open each day from 8.00am until 5.00pm! Children will receive breakfast between 8am and 9am and afternoon tea at 4.00pm, saving you time in the morning and your ears from the endless 'I'm hungry' groans all the way home. Our camps save you time and money without breaking the bank! Book before our earlybird expires for a chance to win an amazing prize.



Earlybird 10% Discount Code: Whitsun21 Expires 3/6/21

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Exeter a learning community

School Term Dates

Academic Year 2021 – 2022

2021

Term 1	Training Day Training Day Re-open Closes	Wednesday 1 September Thursday 2 September Friday 3 September Friday 22 October
Term 2	Re-open Closes	Monday 1 November Friday 17 December

2022

Term 3	Training Day Re-open Closes	Tuesday 4 January Wednesday 5 January Friday 11 February
Term 4	Training Day Re-open	Monday 21 February Tuesday 22 February
Easter	Closes	Friday 1 April
Term 5	Re-open	Tuesday 19 April
May Bank Holiday	Closes Re-open	Friday 29 April Tuesday 3 May
Spring Bank Holiday	Closes	Friday 27 May
Term 6	Re-open Closes Training Day	Monday 6 June Thursday 21 July Friday 22 July