

MESSAGE FROM MRS RICHARDSON

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So, we do hope that you enjoy the first edition of 'The Eagle'. The Solvo family are to be congratulated, having submitted the following: Spanish soldiers apparently used 'The Eagle' as the Duke of Wellington's nickname. Our School is in Wellington. Also, it is a powerful bird, with over sixty species. Eagles are found on six of the seven continents, (not Antarctica), like our School of people, from all over the world. Eagles have big eyes, so can see everything that is going on, just like Mrs Richardson! Fantastic.

On Tuesday morning, if we could have bottled the atmosphere around School, it would cheer up any wet and cold winter afternoon. Having escaped from Captain Hook, it was lovely to see the maps and read the stories the children had created. Thank you to all who wrote in and gave feedback, Mr Warren deserves all the praise for being the brains behind the event.

Our thanks also go to Mrs Lawrenson for a super edition of 'The Acorn' which your children should have brought home in their bookbags this week. Such a lot of hard work goes into producing the magazine and Mrs Lawrenson has already started putting together this year's edition.

I mentioned Class Representatives last week and information regarding the role is attached. Please arrange your Class Representative within your class parent group and kindly advise the School Office of your nomination.

Due to Government guidelines, we are unable to hold our 'Meet the Teacher' event as planned. At some point next week, the class teacher will contact you (either by email, phone or Teams) to discuss your child's start to the term.

Well, the 'and finally' from me, is to say to those in Years 5 and 6 who are attending Sporty Saturday at School tomorrow, 'on your marks', as I feel thoroughly honoured to have been asked to start the first Welly Run. I'll see you there!

With best wishes for a well-deserved weekend.

Vics Richardson



GREAT WELLY PROJECT

The Great Welly Project was a superb lockdown initiative and embraced by so many of our Wellington School pupils. We invite all who took part in the GWP to submit their project either electronically to wpsoffice@wellington-school.org.uk or to arrange delivery on 01823 668700.

Nursery News

Mrs Lucas is so proud of the Nursery children for the fantastic start they have made in Nursery. The children are busy getting used to new routines and making new friends. This week the children focused on listening and counting skills, and also made a collage of their favourite colour. The children have experienced French lessons for the first time, and we all enjoyed a chorus of 'Bonjour' from lots of smiley faces. Our Balance-ability group had great fun at their session in the Sports Hall.



Reception News

Where did the first full week go? Reception class had a fantastic, fun-packed week with new and exciting adventures happening throughout. The week began with a visit to Forest School, picking blackberries and cooking them on the open fire. Tuesday was very unusual with Captain Hook taking Mrs Richardson hostage. The children were very happy to find Mrs Richardson safely back in her office, later in the day. Wednesday started with a Balance-ability session with Mr Renyard, and Thursday everyone danced and sang with Mrs Ridley. Well done, everyone. I am sure you are all sleeping well.



Congratulations

A huge congratulations to the whole of the Reception class. Everyone has made a fantastic start and the transition from Nursery has been seamless.



YEAR 1

Class 1P have had a fantastic week. One of the highlights of the week was creating their wonderful maps in order to rescue Mrs Richardson from Captain Hook.

The children worked hard with our topic about 'Marvellous Me', creating a class mind-map in Geography to show everything that they know about Wellington, and another mind-map in Science to show what they already know about the human body. In Art, the children are in the middle of creating a life-size picture of Isla!

The children have really impressed us with their hard work in Maths, and have approached the 'Maths No Problem' lessons with great enthusiasm. Forest School provided the children with a lovely opportunity to play with their Year 2 friends and a great time was had by all. The toasted crumpets and hot chocolate were a big hit!

Congratulations

To the whole of Year 1 for settling in so well and working so hard. Special mention to Hayley, James E, and Charlotte, our new starters who have quickly become an important part of our class. We love having you with us.



YEAR 2

Class 2W have settled well into the routines of school and enjoyed an unusual start to Tuesday morning when Captain Hook took Mrs Richardson hostage! The children had great fun creating their maps and even began to develop their own ideas for a story set in a new Neverland.

Year 2's enthusiasm for maps continued within their topic work, where the children were set a task of spotting the potential symbols and images used within a map's key. Hidden throughout their bubbled corridors, the children were challenged to go on a mini treasure hunt to find all the symbols. Next week, 2W will have an opportunity to use these skills to create their own maps of Wellington, where key landmarks and important buildings of the town will be a focus of their work.

A notable mention also to Charlie Burgess, who had a real 'Matilda' moment during a maths lesson. Mr Warren was teaching the class and joked about 346 groups of 10, subsequently, Charlie turned around and gave Mr Warren the answer causing Mr Warren's jaw to drop to the delight of the class. Amazing work, Charlie!



YEAR 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic start to the term! Both Year 3 classes became archaeologists this week, digging for pieces of Greek pottery within their History lesson. The children enjoyed their first Art lesson of the year, converting Mrs Coate's classroom into a giant camera obscura, learning about the medium of photography and various analogue processes. The children were able to see different parts of the school, around the classroom walls, and on the ceiling. They were also very excited to do their first 'Maths No Problem' lesson about Place Value.



YEAR 4



Year 4 had great fun cracking the clues that Captain Hook had left around the school during Tuesday's Writing Retreat. There was great excitement and lots of discussion about what could be going on!

The children designed some fantastic maps to satisfy Hook's demands and free Mrs Richardson from his dastardly grasp, they then completed some wonderfully descriptive writing.

Mrs Middleton's favourite quote of the day came from Kaan, who said he was 'Epicly inspired!'

For Years 3 and 4

On Tuesday 22 September, we are having a Greek day. We will be doing a variety of activities including making some Greek Pottery and designing mythical beasts. Children will still have Wellbeing on that day so will need to come to school in their Sports kit.

YEAR 5 and 6

Year 5 had great fun in their Senior School Science lesson this week, learning how to use a Bunsen Burner.



In English lessons, Year 5 and 6 had a fantastic week using their creativity and discovering Neverland. The class created Neverland maps, descriptive writing, and editor's moodboards.



SPORTS NEWS

We look forward to welcoming Year 5 and 6 pupils on Saturday morning, for an optional Rugby/Hockey training session from 9.00am - 11.00am. During this session, pupils will also take part in the Welly Run - a fun-run around Bulford finishing on School Field. The run will be timed, and if your child attends the following week, they will be able to see if they can beat their time from the previous week.



Please do send in some 'Sporty Saturday' photos to prep@wellington-school.org.uk. It would be great to have a collage of photos from any sporting activity over the weekend, please send them in by Monday or Tuesday.

Parents of children in Years 3-6 are reminded that all pupils will need their swimming kit during their Wellbeing lessons this week.

FRIENDS OF WELLINGTON PREP SCHOOL (FoWPS)

Are you one of the 45 families that supports the FoWPS and FoWS through Easyfundraising? If so, thank you! If not, we would love you to join us. We have one Easyfundraising site between both the Prep and Senior School, as together we make the Friends of Wellington School CIO.



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STARS OF THE WEEK



Xavier Flight Reception

James Etherton 1P

Isabella Pattison 2W

Charlie Eustace 3C George Fraser 3W

Evelyn McLaren 4M Oliver Burnell 4N

Chloe Etherton 5L Abigael Bill and Theo Dauvillier-Windle 5S

Harry Frearson 6H Leo Farinha 6L

Writer of the Week: Monty Legg 1P

Sports Star of the Week: Tom Page-Turner 5L

Music Stars of the Week: All the brave Musicians from Years 5 and 6 who came along to Sinfonia on Tuesday (most of them for the first time) and played so well and enthusiastically. Mrs Shaw is proud of you all!



HOUSE POINTS

PIONEER 579

APOLLO 515

VIKING 538

GALILEO 597

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	14	13:00	13:30	Wellington Young Musician Semi-Finals Round
		13:00	15:30	Reception - Forest School
Tuesday	15	08:30	15:45	Year 6 Team Building Day
Wednesday	16			
Thursday	17	13:00	15:30	Years 1 and 2 - Forest School
Friday	18			
Saturday	19	09:00	11:00	Years 5 and 6 Sport - Hockey/Rugby/Welly Run (optional)
Sunday	20			