



Peafield Pride

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Citizenship, Responsibility, Aspiration, Enjoyment

As I proudly stood at the graduation of one of my children yesterday, it struck me that this was a really key milestone in his education and his life. I recalled having taught him when he was in my class at eight years old and how he had big, sparkly eyes, so many ambitions and endless enthusiasm. Looking on at him as a man in his cap and gown, I saw the same spark and passion for learning, but I also recognised the hard work and determination that had got him to this point. I thought of all the educators that had touched his life in some way over the years and the barriers he had overcome.

As a parent, we want our children to succeed and to feel great about themselves. We want them to thrive and build a good life ahead. We also want them to be happy.

Having spent another week at Peafield Lane, getting to know the staff, children and yourselves, I feel really blessed to be working as part of this team. All staff here are totally invested in helping your children to succeed, to feel really proud of themselves and to reach their potential. They work hard to keep them safe and to secure happiness. All of us here chose to be a part of your child's educational journey - whatever that journey may be. I wish for each of you to feel as I did yesterday - so, so proud.

I hope this week's Family Celebration shows all the children that they can be successful and that by working together as family and school we can motivate them all to aim for the stars! If you are able to come and join us, I hope that you can feel proud of all of the children and this school. In the newsletter too, we have shared with you some of the learning that has taken place this week - I hope you enjoy reading this.

Have a wonderful weekend and thank you all for your continued support.

Andrea Commins

Miss Chadburn

As parents of children in Sherwood will have noticed, Miss Chadburn has been away since the start of term. Unfortunately, she continues to be unwell. Miss Dowsing has covered additionally, and we have also got Mrs Burke in class to help until Miss Chadburn returns. Should you need anything during this time, please do speak to the team who will be happy to help. I am sure you will join me in sending get well wishes to Miss Chadburn.

Class Capers

Early Years

Nursery

In nursery we have been welcoming lots of new children and have had a lovely week. We have been very creative making owls from this week's story, Owl Babies.

We have enjoyed talking about our families and who we live with.



Acorns

We are so proud of the way that the Acorns children have settled into full time school.

This week, as we answer our enquiry question; What Makes Me, Me?, we have shared stories all about starting school. We have also begun our phonics sessions and have learnt 2 new pieces of code (s and a).

For our learning tasks we have begun to learn to write our names and have been painting our self portraits, here our some of us in action..

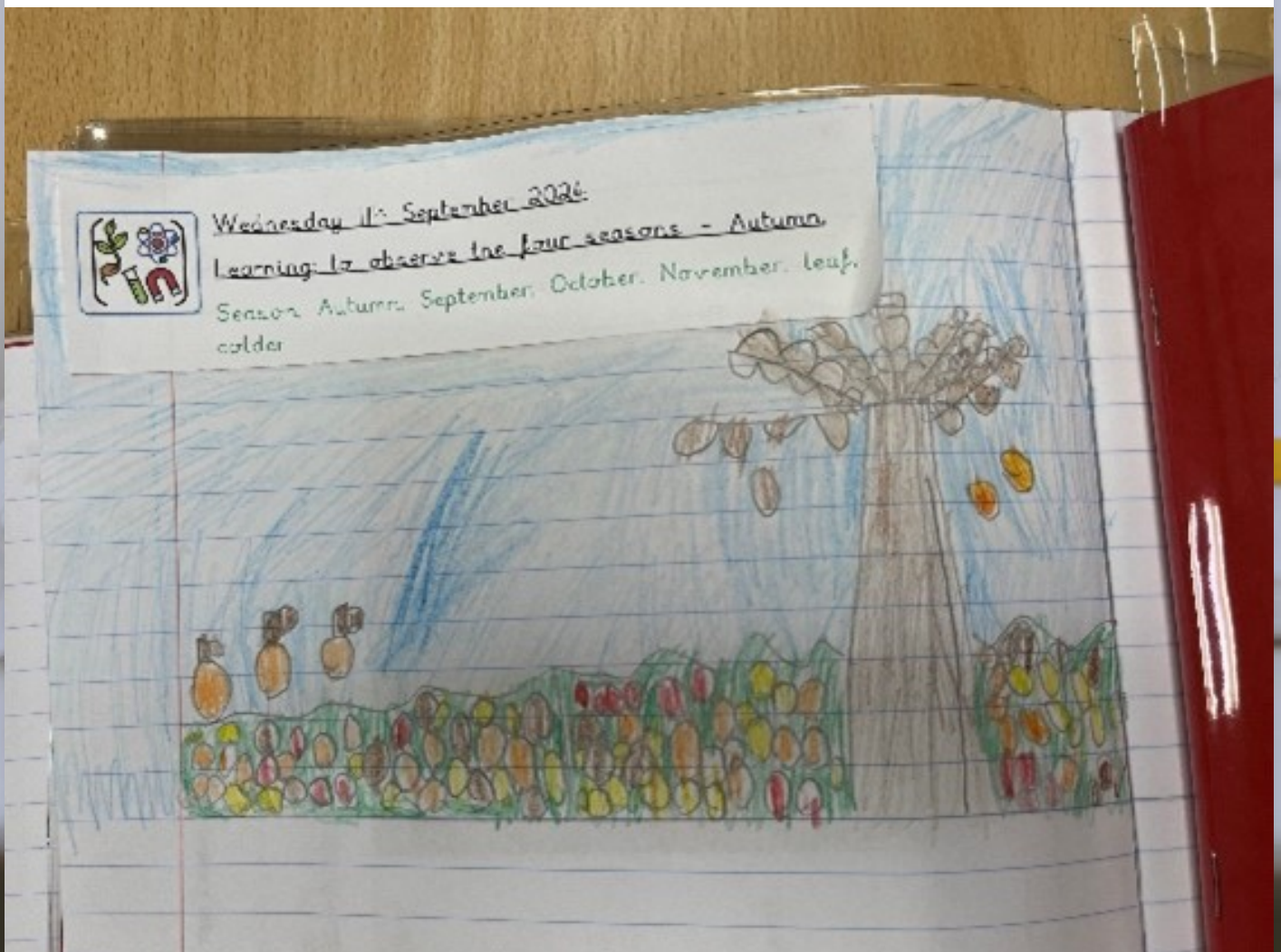


Talking about my features



Thinking and looking!

Year 1 and 2



Busy Bees!

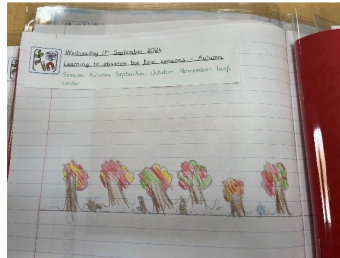
This week in key stage one we have kicked off our enquiry (Has time changed the way we live?) by placing our birthday on a time line and discussing key dates.

In English we have been exploring features of a newspaper with the aim of writing our very own all about our first week of school with our new teacher.

In science we have had lots of fun thinking about what we notice in Autumn, looking forward to our Autumn walk in the coming weeks – more details to come soon about that!



Rufford hard at work!



Excellent work in Clumber



Collaborative working in Sherwood

Year 3 and 4

Lots of learning!

This week years 3 and 4 have been really getting into our first enquiry of the year 'What was it like in the beginning?' To help the children understand the huge time gaps between modern day and the Stone Age, we went outside for a practical session, spacing the children out along the playground to represent different events in history.

Our class guided reading book 'Stone Age Boy' is helping our learning of what it was like to like in the Stone Age. Alongside Stone Age Boy, we're also reading Stig of the Dump, and the children have really enjoyed hearing about how the two main characters first meet each other at the start of the book.



A long time ago!



A very long time ago!



Wow - so long ago!

Year 5 and 6

Newlands Harlow and Dukeries

In Year 5/6 we have launched our enquiry question 'How does location impact on a person's life?'. This is a local geography and history enquiry about coal mining. The children have loved exploring artifacts and as historians, have generated many meaningful questions, giving them some insight into life as a miner. We have begun to look at the Creswell Colliery disaster and will be writing a newspaper report on it as we near the anniversary.



Teamwork!



Busy learning



Dressed for the job!

🌟 Celebrating the Week 🌟

The whole range of school values was covered in the reasons why these amazing pupils got the GOLD awards this week -Well done to each of you for your personal achievements!

🏆 Gold Awards 🏆

INFANTS

Charlotte Fox, George Clayton, Hyra Kenesten, Isaac Foster, Ayla Yuill,

JUNIORS

Dream Bennett, Finlay Patrick, Lily McKeon, Leo Hossack, Jackson Tommony, Freddie Orr, Alfie Gibbons, Lucy Jennings, Teddy Davis, Joey Callaghan, Nela Rajkska, Bassam Dabbas, Bethany Moody.

📖 Reading Superstars 📖

Well done to all those who received an award for being a Reading Superstar - all reading superstars have their names put into a pot and winners will be drawn for Infants and Juniors. The winners are able to choose a new book to keep.

Reading Superstars this week:

INFANTS

Nancy Orton, George Cooper, George Caunt

JUNIORS

William Smallwood, Frankie Sandjong-Newlands, Robyn Widdowson-Newlands, Freya Roberts, Jayna Twite, Rosee-Joy Caunt, Chloe Luo, Albie Astle, Ruby Shepard

🏆 PRIDE OF PEAFIELD 🏆

Pride of Peafield Awards are given to children for showing pride in their work. This might be for trying really hard or reaching a milestone in handwriting and presentation, or might even be through a piece of spoken work, music or drama. We want the children to be proud of themselves! Well done all winners this week!

Pride of Peafield Awards this week:

INFANTS

Israel Odumesi, Edward Kovacs, Hester Foyle

JUNIORS

Darcy Taylor-Murdoch, Robert Knapp-Newlands, Evie Hunt, Teddie Hobson, Aubrey Jennings, Livia Haywood

Be there Badger

Who has been here this week?

"Be There" is our school Attendance Animal. Each week in Family Celebration Assembly, Be There Badger will be awarded to the class with the highest attendance. The children understand what good attendance looks like and that sadly, sometimes we get poorly. However, they said they are aiming for 100%. This is great. If the whole of the Infants, or the whole of the Juniors gets 100% one week, I will award them a "fun afternoon."

The cheers went up for Harlow Class this week who claimed Be There Badger with an exceptional 100%!



Attendance this week - our school target is 96%

Whole School - 96.4% Well done everyone!

Save the Date

We are holding a McMillan Coffee Afternoon for families and community members on Friday 27th September at 1.30pm until 3pm. We hope you can join us. There will be no Family Assembly on this day.

Chilly days ahead

Please ensure that children have a coat at school now that the weather is getting chilly. Thank you!



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