



Peafield Pride

Newsletter 4th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of another fantastic Spring term, we want to wish all of our pupils and families a very happy Easter! A huge thank you to the Friends of Peafield Lane for organising such a wonderful disco last night, and to our fantastic teachers for being there to care for the children and make it a truly special event. The children had an amazing time dancing and celebrating together. We'd also like to thank the Easter Bunny for her surprise visit – what a lovely treat! We hope everyone has a relaxing and joyful break, filled with lots of fun and family time. See you all back after the holidays on Tuesday, 22nd April, ready for an exciting new term! Happy Easter!

Warm regards,

Andrea Commins

Interim Headteacher

Does your child deserve an award for Community Engagement or Impact?

As we look ahead to the new term, we'd like to invite all parents and carers to put forward a nomination for their child to receive an award for **Community Engagement and Impact**. This award recognises pupils who have shown outstanding dedication to helping and making a positive difference in their community.

To help us understand why your child deserves this special recognition, we'd love for you to consider the following questions when submitting your nomination:

- How has your child shown kindness, respect, or support to others in the school or wider community?
- In what ways has your child made a positive impact on others, whether through helping, volunteering, or contributing to a community project?
- What qualities or actions of your child stand out as examples of community spirit?

We look forward to hearing about the wonderful things our pupils are doing to make a difference! Nominations can be submitted to head@peafieldlaneacademy.co.uk by Friday 18th April.

Class Capers

Early Years

Nursery



The lovely weather this week has allowed Nursery to embrace their inner artists outdoors. We've been drawing and painting daffodils, focusing on adding fine details and carefully selecting where to place the paint. The children have created some beautiful artwork! They also decided to paint sticks to give them a more Spring-like feel.

In our math lessons, we've been practicing counting to 5 and matching the correct number of gems to the corresponding numeral cards. Everyone is doing a fantastic job, taking their time to ensure they don't miss any. Well done, Nursery!

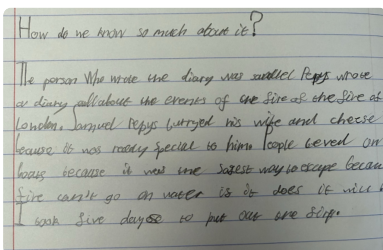


Acorns



This week, we've been exploring all things Easter and participating in various fun, Easter-themed activities. We've also been soaking up the warmer weather and talking about the signs of Spring. We even had a Spring checklist to guide our outdoor adventure, and we spotted plenty of signs of the season. One of the highlights was finding buds beginning to emerge from the ground.

Year 1 and 2



Super Focus in KS1

This week in KS1 we have completed our enquiry of 'What Makes the UK Unique?' by summarising what we have learnt about the geography of the UK and the history of the Great Fire of London. In English, we have finished writing our narrative set during the time of the Great Fire.

In maths we have begun to learn about measuring length and height. In DT, we have made a fruit salad, remembering to use our careful cutting skills and discussed good hygiene. In PE we have

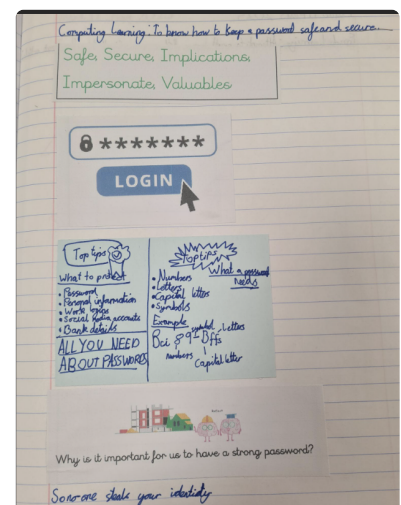
practised our tennis skills with Miss Felton, perfecting our aim and batting skills. We have celebrated National Skipping Day by learning new games and sharing them with our friends.

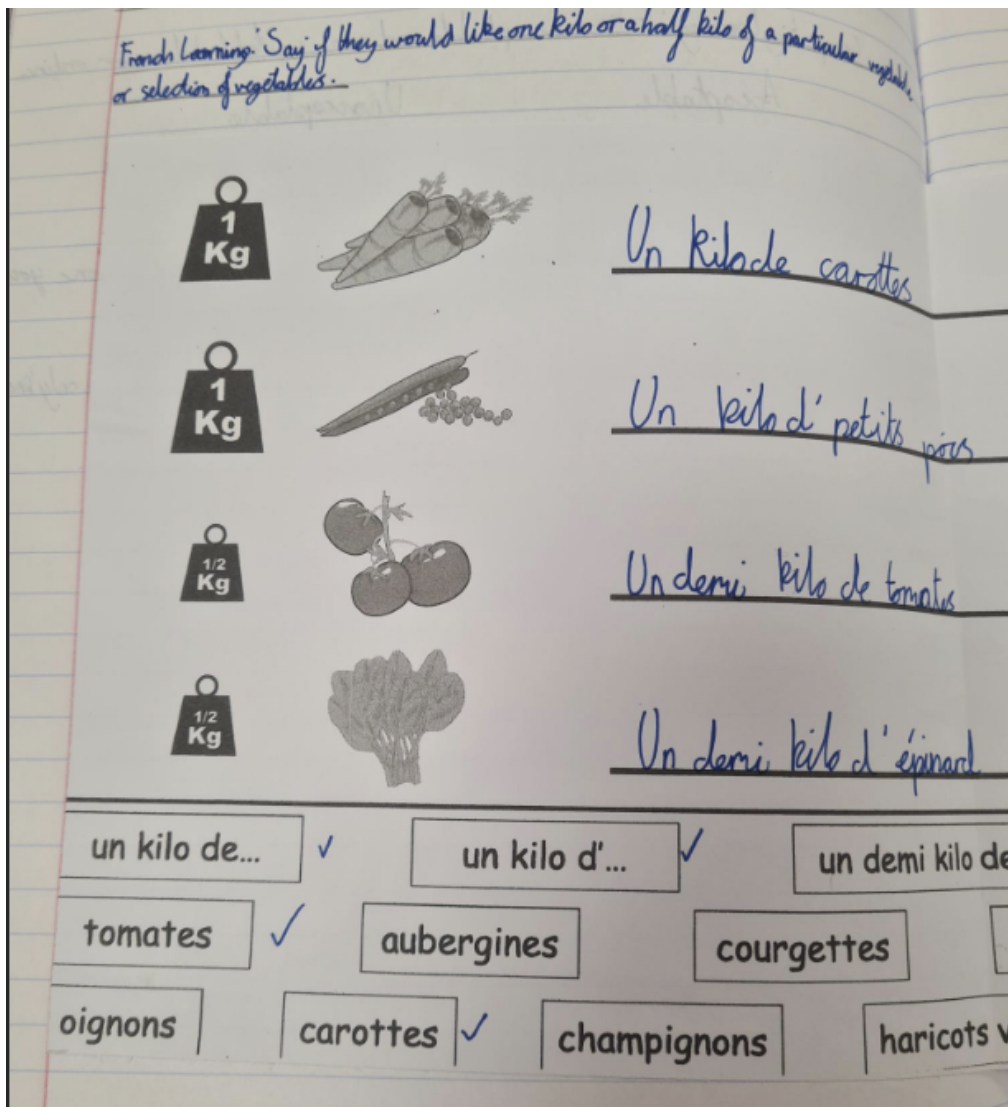


Year 3 and 4

This week, Year 3/4 have been exploring how to stay safe when using technology. The children have learned how being S.M.A.R.T. can help them understand online safety. We also created "Top Tips" cards for creating strong passwords, focusing on using a mix of letters, numbers, and special characters. The discussions we had were fantastic, and the children really grasped the importance of strong passwords in protecting our personal data.

Additionally, the children have completed their French unit on vegetables. They took part in listening and reading activities to develop their skills and impressed us with how much they had learned. They could easily recognise so many French words! *Je voudrais les champignons, s'il vous plaît!*





Year 5 and 6



The Y6s have absolutely smashed their assessments this week, we are super proud of them and they should be proud of themselves too. They are so ready for the upcoming SATs week in May. We completed our double page spreads to answer our enquiry question today. The children could brilliantly articulate what they had learnt and even managed to say how their opinions had changed since the start of the enquiry. Have a lovely restful two-weeks off and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 22nd April.



Is your child eligible for additional funding?

At Peafield Lane Academy, Pupil Premium is additional funding provided by the government to support children from low-income families, children in care, and children with parents in the armed forces. This funding helps the school offer extra support to ensure these children have the same opportunities as their peers. To apply for Pupil Premium funding at a Flying High Academy, parents should contact the school office or Nottinghamshire County Council at 01623 433009 if they believe their child is eligible, as it's a quick and easy process. For further assistance or information, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school office.

Friends of Peafield Lane Academy

Thank you to those of you who booked tickets for the Easter Disco. It was a real success!

Well done to the winners of the colouring and design competitions!
Winners will be given their prizes in assembly today.

We are now busy planning the Summer School Fair - if you would like to get involved, or know anyone who would come along with something for a stall, please do put them in touch with us via:
friendsofpeafield@gmail.com Thank you!



🌟 Celebrating the Week 🌟

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



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 are drawn for Infants and Juniors. The winners are able to choose a new book to keep.



Pride of Peafield Awards are given to children for showing pride in their work, or for something truly exceptional. 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!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Attendance this week

Whole School - 94% - we need to pick this up!

If you are struggling with attendance, please do get in touch - we will support you in any way we can.

Who has been here this week?



The cheers will be going up for **Birklands Class** this week who have claimed **Be There Badger** with a super 99%!

Be there Badger says, please be there on time!

Please be aware of attendance in school. Missed days means missed learning!

Our full attendance policy can be found on the school website, or if you need sight of a paper copy, please ask the office.

Every school day matters.

Penalty Notice fines for school attendance are changing.

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

PER PARENT, PER CHILD.
Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.
For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

5 consecutive days of term time leave
Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. INSET days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period
Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there are 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period. A school day is made up of 2 sessions - morning and afternoon.

First Offence
The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or

Second Offence (within 3 years)
The second time a Penalty Notice is



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