



Town Lane Infant Newsletter

What a wonderful January it has been at Town Lane Infant School. The children returned to school from the holidays ready to learn and we have all been impressed with the learning that has taken place across the school.

We have had some classes with low levels of Covid-19 cases and we are constantly monitoring the situation in each class. We continue to follow advice from Public Health, when required.

Outdoor visit

The Year 2 children walked to the 'plot of land' last week which was an important part of their geography project. They have been tasked with designing a new building for this local plot and this visit has helped them to visualise the space for their building, as well as reinforce important directional vocabulary. They were able to plot their journey on the return to school and have started to make choices about their designs. We are all interested to find out what their new building for Bebington will be like.

Rights Respecting Schools
Award update from
Mrs Armstrong



Our latest news about our Rights Respecting Schools journey is that we are being assessed remotely on our commitment towards becoming a 'Gold level' school in February.

Children will be asked lots of questions about their rights and will hopefully demonstrate that knowing about rights helps them to understand that other children have rights too. Children should be aware of rights that we focus on in school e.g. that we all have the right to learn, be looked after, have fun, relax, join clubs, practice our religion, be given information safely, have nutritious food, clean water and health care. (article 1)

Our school council have been very busy working alongside staff and children, sharing information and gathering children's thoughts and ideas about how to improve our school and its' environment. Pupil voice is taken seriously at our school (article 12&13) and our children have recently focused on article 31 (the right to play, have fun and relax). The School Council asked their classes for ideas and they wrote to Mrs Large with their requests and have chosen new equipment for the playground.

The School Council also came up with the idea of starting a 'kindness club' so we can encourage everyone to feel happy in our school. Our Kindness club starts on 14th February if you'd like your child to take part. (article 24 & 29)

We are always thinking about others who aren't as fortunate as ourselves. We help children to understand sensitively that not all children have the same experiences as each other and that some children need a little help. Therefore, we can help by raising money for charities to help others in our country and across the world (article 24, 27) As you know, this year, we have already supported many worthy charities.

Some Year 2 children have been planting trees in our school grounds recently and have been talking about sustainability and learning how trees give us clean air to breathe. (article 3 & 6).



Tree Planting – More Information

Some of our Year 2 pupils enjoyed planting trees on the back field as part of our project with Mersey Forest. Their aim is to create urban forests in Bebington to help to address climate change and carbon mitigation through tree planting. In addition, this has helped bring our Y2 planting unit in science to life and builds on the learning from Year 1 last year, when the children planted fruit trees.

Little Acorns

Our wonderful provision for two and three-year-old children has been focusing on what it is like under the sea. The children have been discovering different types of sea life and have had many adventures. We

have limited spaces available in the afternoon sessions so please do get in touch if you would to apply for a place for your child.



Number Day

We will be celebrating Number Day on Friday February 4th. Take part in 'Dress up for Digits' and we will make sure we have a fun-filled day of maths activities and games, while raising money to support for the NSPCC.

Year One/Two

There are photographs being uploaded to Google Classroom and we still have some families who haven't had the opportunity to log on. Please do as soon as you can as you are missing out on vital communication with your class teacher. If you have any issues with logging on please do contact the school office.

Computing Club

The children have found programming the code-a-pillars fascinating and Mrs Gibson has been really impressed the knowledge shared during the sessions.

Year Two

The staff are busy planning for the residential trip to Barnstondale. Please make sure all forms are returned to the office as soon as possible.

Reminders

Please remember to record in your child's reading record when you have heard them read at home. We monitor this throughout the school and reward the class with the most children with a reading challenge trophy.

Numbots continues to be a popular way for children to practice their number facts at home. Please do make use of this online learning opportunity.

Staff are requesting that all children remember to bring in their wellies for Forest School and outdoor learning. In addition, jogging bottoms are required for PE sessions when taken outside.

Request

Nursery have asked if any families have any spare tights that they might be able to bring into school.

UN Convention for the rights of the child

Article 3 (best interests of the child) The best interests on the child must be a top priority in all decisions and actions that affect children

Article 12 (respect for the views of the child) Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right applies at all times

Article 28 (right to education) Every child has the right to an education.

Article 29 (goals of education) Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment

Article 31 (leisure, play and culture) Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Diary Dates



Friday 4th February
Number Day

Monday 7th February
Children's Mental Health Week
F2 NS Screening

Further INSET DAYS
Monday 28th February 2022

Thursday 5th May 2022 -Polling Day

Friday 10th June 2022

Please note

There is an additional day's holiday for schools next year to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This will be on Thursday 21st July 2022. School will now close for the Summer on Wednesday 20th July 2022.