

Abacus Primary School News

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SCIENCE MUSEUM

On Friday 24th January, Years 5 and 6 visited The Science Museum. The trip began with a visit to the Wonderlab where the children had the opportunity to take part in lots of interactive activities including going down the friction slide and building bridges where they learnt about how sound travels.

They then watched a 3D film 'A Beautiful Planet' showing footage of inside the International Space station and images of the Earth and our solar system. There was then time to explore the rest of the museum including the space gallery.

Ernesta—“I liked the Wonderlab as there were lots of experiments we could do.”

Bella H—“It was fun to go down the slides in the Wonderlab and test which one was fastest.”

Demi—“I liked everything as it was great to learn so many scientific facts.”



Next week we will be
WEEK 1 of our school
menu





Well done to Lara Jo and Gabriella for their achievements in Dance and football.



We will be holding a Cake Sale after school on Thursday 6/02/2020 for NSPCC (as part of Maths week)

Any donations of cakes (**no nuts please**) will be greatly appreciated.

Please bring cakes to the school office on Wednesday 5th February 2020.

NSPCC

Monday 3/02/2020—Maths Week

Monday 3/02/2020—Year 3 Anglian Water—Educational visit in school.

Wednesday 5/02/2020—Glee Club performing at The O2 as part of the Young Voices choir

Thursday 6/02/2020 Work Share 3.15-4.15pm—this is an opportunity to come and visit your child's classroom, look at their work on display and to look at the work in their books from this term.

Friday 7/02/2020—NSPCC Number Day. Children to come to school in their 'Maths outfits' this could be dressed as a calculator, a famous Mathematician or T-shirts with numbers on. We will be holding a cake sale during the week and all donations raised will be donated to the NSPCC.



Sports Ambassador Challenge

On the 29th January 2020, our Sports Ambassadors held their monthly challenge. This month they chose the sport Kurling which is a form of the original curling game, but adapted so that it can be played on any smooth, flat surface, rather than on ice.

Children were invited to see how close they could get their Kurling stone to a target. Our Sports Ambassadors organised the children into phase groups and had to measure how close they were and record the scores.

Certificates were awarded to children in each phase who were closest to the target. Well done to our Sports Ambassadors for giving up their lunch time to run the challenge and to the 113 children who got active and involved.



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	SS-MH-E-13	Moulsham High School, Briton Cl, Chelmsford CM2 9ES	19/02/2020 - 21/02/2020	09:00	09:30	10:00
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	SS-NH-E-14	Noak Hill Sports Complex, Noak Hill Rd, Romford RM3 7JA	19/02/2020 - 20/02/2020			
Goalkeeper	GKSS-NH-E-4	Noak Hill Sports Complex, Noak Hill Rd, Romford RM3 7JA	19/02/2020 - 20/02/2020	09:30	10:00	10:00

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Spotlight on our Curriculum



In Foundation we have investigated Chinese New Year. We found out about the Emperor's Great Race. We made a lion mask and performed a lion dance in our music lesson. We also had Chinese pancakes and vegetables for snack.



It's been a mix and match week in Year 1. Learning about punctuation, ordering and comparing numbers, reptiles, pitch, balancing and talking about emotions and feelings. So busy!



This week we are continuing with multiplication in Maths, we have moved on to instruction writing for English and made our own milkshakes! Turquoise class enjoyed performing their class assembly and Yellow class thought they were fantastic recalling lots about our Science and Geography topic.



In Science, we have been investigating the force friction. We looked at how a car moved differently on various surfaces. In English, we have been focusing on persuasive writing and language.



This week Year 4 cooked meatballs to enjoy for their evening meal. In Maths they have identified the common factors in numbers up to 20.



We had a great start to our space topic with our trip to the Science museum last Friday. We enjoyed experimenting with lots of interactive activities in the Wonderlab and were mesmerised by the 3D film "A Beautiful Planet." We look forward to bringing our learning back into the classroom.

Now that the colder weather has arrived, please can all children ensure they have an outdoor P.E kit in school.