

Weekly Newsletter



18th September 2020

Thank you to all the parents – not only for adhering to the ‘new normal’ in and around school – but for producing such wonderful children who have come back into school, looking the part and ready to learn. These learning behaviours have meant our pupils have slipped straight back into their school routine and this couldn’t have been achieved without all the hard work you have put in, throughout the summer, during lockdown and over the years.

I send this newsletter to Mrs Wardell every week to fit in the ‘house-style’ and proof-read so I hope this comment stays at the top and doesn’t find its way to a smaller box somewhere on the bottom! Thank you, Sue – we are all thrilled and appreciative for all the hard work you’ve put into the look of the new school website. This is an ongoing piece of work, parents – some of the information will be moved around and bits will be updated as we progress through the term. Our aim, though is to make it as navigable as possible.

Google Classrooms – do you have your login details? Homework will be set each Thursday and children put it in their folder to earn points based on presentation, accuracy and effort.

If you have any school library books at home you no longer need, bring them in and children can exchange for some new ones. Thank you to Mrs Ray for all the hard work she spent during school closure making the library look great.

See our ‘what to do if your child has symptoms’ link on the website. Home Learning is available for those that cannot access school.

What’s going on in class?

Banksy have started to look at the true story of Philippe Petite’s wire walk across the twin towers. They have written a persuasive advert to advertise his walk across the Notre Dame and have started to write descriptively-rich poetry using imagery from the towers.

In maths, pupils have been ordering intergers and decimals, which they’ve looked at in a real-world context. In science, pupils have learnt about gravity and weighed objects in Newtons. In music, pupils have learnt how to warm up their voices and are learning the chorus of the song Empire State of Mind Part II. Pupils were surprised to learn the extent of nationalities that reside in New York, which we will be plotting on our maps, and have begun to learn a few facts about the History of New York. PSHE discussions have centred around our experiences during lockdown and in Art, the children have started to breathe some new life into the decrepit wooden bench that sits enviously next to its multi-coloured counterparts – with their Banksy-style stencils!



In Dali class this week, pupils have continued their work based on the text *Here We Are* (a guide to planet Earth). Pupils have discussed how to help our world and the creatures that live in it. They figured it was a bit late to save the dodo so they started small by building insect homes using the pots and bamboo kindly donated. This was then followed up by writing instructions on how they were made.



In science, pupils have looked at the parts of a human body – internal and external. Using a body outline, they have been drawing and labelling the internal parts on one side and the external parts on the other. This work has ensued in PSHE where pupils have designed posters to show how to keep themselves healthy and safe in school. Pupils have written about what makes them special and discussed what makes the world special.

In Maths, children have been working on number bonds and have used their knowledge to write balancing equations and fact families. Lots of work using the place value grids and have even managed some maths investigative work

Dali continued their weather work in Science by becoming weather forecasters! They watched the weather forecast for the day, collected weather data using their work from last week and then wrote their own forecasts.

This week's art inspiration was the piece commonly known as 'melting clocks' by Salvador Dali. Pupils have created their own melting clocks using clay and are hoping to finish them off next week.

In Picasso this week pupils have written their own poem based on the song, *Wonderful World* by Lewis Armstrong. They watched a David Attenborough video linked to the song and wrote sentences or described what they think is wonderful about our world.

In Art, children have found out about who Picasso was and what he was famous for. They have made a start on their own portraits in the style of Picasso, too. Pupils learnt that Picasso didn't always paint people the way we see them. In PSHE, pupils discussed ways of making people feel welcome in the classroom and found that it can be as simple as smiling at somebody.

In maths, pupils have been finding one more one less than a number. They have practised counting forwards and backwards and followed the numbers on a number line. Children realised that we count forwards when we add and count back to subtract.

In PE, the children explored moving at different speeds by jogging and sprinting. After completing a sprint, they noticed that their breathing had changed and their hearts were beating faster.

Picasso also ran their first daily mile this week!



Trim Trail

Please do not allow your children to use the trim trail before and after school. They have allocated, supervised time for this during the school week.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Consent Forms

Reminder to please return your completed Consent Forms to the school office

Pupil Privacy Notice

Please read the updated Pupil Privacy Notice on our school website
<https://www.earith.cambs.sch.uk/index.php/school/policies>

Friends of Earith School



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Stay informed and get involved.

Come and hear what we have been up to and how you can help!

**Thursday 8th October
7.00pm in the school hall**



Parentkind
Member Association

Flu Immunisation Programme

Look out for the letter regarding the flu immunisation programme. You will need to consent or decline via <https://tinyurl.com/ycujxbtr> by the 30th September. The flu immunisation session will take place in school on the 18th November.

Attendance



The winner of the attendance cup for w/e 11.9.20 is:

Dali Class – 94.35%

Whole School ~Attendance 91.14%

Diary Dates

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| 1 st October 16.00 | Open session for New Parents 2021 |
| 9 th October | Harvest Festival |
| 15 th October 16.00 | Phonics Information Session |
| 20 th October | Parents Evening – times TBA |
| 21 st October | Parents Evening – times TBA |
| 23 rd October | Heads Awards |
| 26 th – 30 th October | Half Term |
| 12 th November 18.00 | Open session for New Parents 2021 |
| 13 th November | Children in Need |
| 16 th – 20 th November | Anti-Bullying week |
| 18 th November | Flu Immunisation |
| 10 th December | Hilltop meeting |
| 17 th December | Christmas Dinner |
| 18 th December | Christmas jumpers, carols around the tree, Heads Awards, Christmas parties, last day of term. |
| 5 th January | Spring Term opens |

Please see Sid The Sygnet on his website page with safety tips for the week.

<https://www.earith.cambs.sch.uk/index.php/sid-the-cygnnet>

Also the weekly Celebration Assembly

<https://www.earith.cambs.sch.uk/index.php/coronavirus/assemblies>

