

Y5 Residential/ The Sealife Centre



Year 5 had a fantastic time on their residential trip to Birmingham last Thursday and Friday. Pupils spent the day at The Think Tank, touring the site and participating in a Science workshop on forces. They then enjoyed an evening meal at Pizza Express before moving on to the The Sealife Centre. Here, the children were treated to an exclusive, personal tour of the site before spending the night sleeping beneath a giant glass aquarium.

Staff were very impressed with pupils' engagement and attitude whilst on the trip—school even received an email from a member of the public commenting on the children's excellent behaviour at the train station.

Well done to everyone who attended the trip and thank you to all the adults who slept over. We hope you enjoy the photographs and recount of the visit on the following page.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 15 (freedom of association)







UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 29 (goals of education.)

Our residential trip

First we met at the train station to head to Birmingham. The journey was about 30 minutes long. We all made sure we had everything on the train.

After we got off the train we walked to the Thinktank. We walked up to 5-10 minutes to get to the train station to the Thinktank. First in the Thinktank we, looked at the first floor and saw very amazing machinery. It was very educational but fun at the same time.

Next, we went to the water garden of the Thinktank and played on the inventions. Tyler and I had a wheelchair race and traveled over different materials.

After that we went back in the Thinktank to do a force workshop. Interestingly we found out: All forces are either push or pull, all forces are invisible and all forces work in pairs.

When we finished in the ^{workshop} Thinktank, we went to get our ~~the~~ money and spend it in the gift shop and walked to pizza express but it was 1.4 miles away! Later on when we got pizza express, everybody had magherita pizza with coke or sprite. When everyone finished their pizza we got... Ice-cream! It was my third favourite flavour smooth vanilla.

Then
Now we~~x~~ set off again but on a full stomach and refrested. We walked to the Sea life center and saw Penguin

cat fish, jelly fish, sting rays, clown fish, sharks, turtles, and starfish and small fish. Casey and I found out penguins want to eat slinkies. The most playful penguin Casey ^{called} Bob, followed by Carl then Carline.

In the tunnel there was a shark cross with a ray called 'Beonseray'. Their turtle called 'Mottarkia' but people called it 'Jeff'.

It was a very long night I only got 5 hours sleep! When we woke up we had breakfast went into the gift shop and head to the train station. On the train Ben, Ewan, I shita and I told horror stories on the train back home.

I would love to go back because it was a great experience. I felt really excited at the sea life center. My favourite part was playing with the penguins with Casey and Kylan. I can't wait to go on Hall hall in London in Year 6.

Football Tournament



Congratulations to all the children in Year 5 who attended a football tournament at Campion this week. Both boys and girls participated and our girls' team (pictured on the left) did particularly well, coming second. Thank you to Mr Lee for organising this and well done to all participating pupils.

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion.)

YR Vaisakhi Party



Here are Reception enjoying their Vaisakhi party last week. The children had great fun dancing and eating festive food in the lovely April sunshine.
Happy Vaisakhi!

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 131(leisure, play and culture.)

Rocksteady Concert



On Monday afternoon, pupils having Rocksteady music lessons showcased their talents in a special concert for parents/ carers. It was amazing to see how confident the children were at performing on the drums, keyboard, guitar and vocals. Four bands performed: The Red Arrows, 24-7 Rockers, The Massive Tigers, Luxurious Limo's and Super Space. Well done everyone!



Forest School

**Gathering
kindling and
sticks.**



**Making
sparks to
light the fire.**



**The fire is
alight!**



We now have five members of staff who are qualified at different levels to lead learning in Forest Schools. Here is one of them, Miss Knight, building a fire with Abdul and then toasting delicious marshmallows!

As you can see, outdoor learning builds a range of skills and knowledge and is great fun.



**Toasting
marshmallows.**



Online Safety

A polite reminder that you must NOT post pictures of other people's children on social media sites.

It has come to our attention that some parents/carers are uploading photographs of their own children which also feature other pupils. Please be aware that, due to the nature of social networking websites, these photographs can quickly be shared and this may cause distress to some families. It is also important to understand that there are certain special circumstances (eg a child being looked after or subject to other care arrangements) that mean some individual pupils' pictures must not be available to view online.

Thank you in anticipation of your support in this important matter of safeguarding.

Past Pupils - Stage Stars!



A former parent popped in this week to share the exciting news that three of our past pupils (now studying at Campion) have been hand picked to star in the main stage production of Julius Caesar at The Royal Shakespeare Theatre!

Adam, Klaudia and Zoha (pictured above) were three of only four students selected from Year 9 to perform in the production. We are very proud that they have continued to grow their many talents since leaving Sydenham.

Calling All YR Parents!

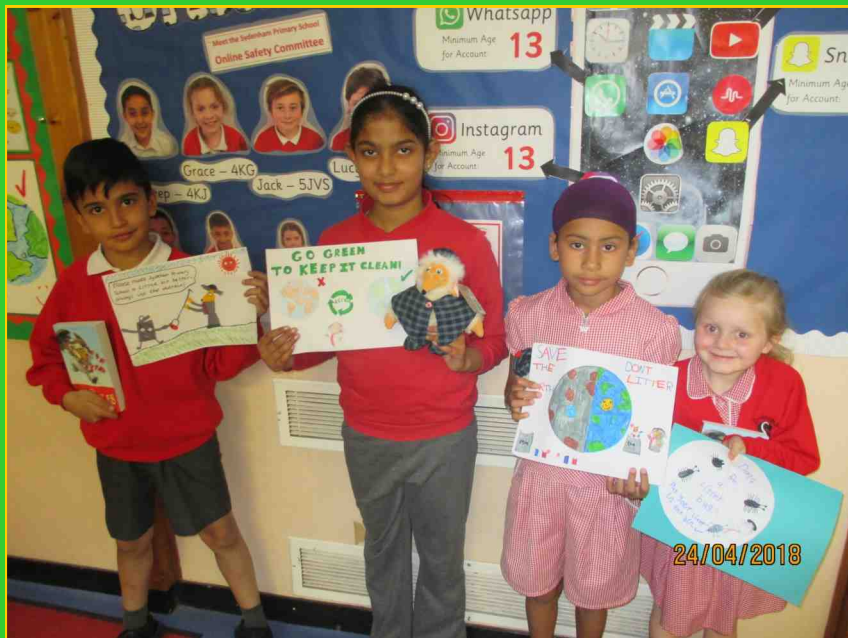
A reminder to all parents and carers in Reception that they are invited to a dance performance of “Lost” by Motionhouse on Thursday 3rd May. The performance will start at 2.45pm and last for approximately ten minutes—Reception pupils will also be watching.

The performance marks the start of the “100 Languages” dance project which Motionhouse are leading in school. All Reception pupils will participate and perform in a dance show on Thursday 21st June at 2.45pm.

We very much hope that you will be able to attend both of these performances.

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 13(leisure, play and culture.)

Wombling Winners



Well done to the children who won our poster competition to remind everybody to keep the environment clean and tidy. We had lots of lovely entries but our Unicef Ambassadors were particularly impressed by these four “wombling” designs. Congratulations!

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 24 (health.)

Friendship Award



George and Ewan have been nominated by a parent this week for a Friendship Award. The boys' loyalty and kindness towards her son have been so impressive that she feels they need special recognition. Well done for setting such a good example.

Contact Details

As mentioned last week, the law about how we collect and store your personal data is due to change on May 25th. So that we are compliant with the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) we have issued an updated Consent Form for the Recording and Use of Images. **It is very important that you complete and return this form answering all of the yes/no questions.**

If you have lost the form (which was sent home in your child's book bag) please call in to the office and staff will be happy to provide you with a replacement.

All families **MUST** complete and return this form. Please note that we will also be updating other data collection forms in the near future.

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation.

Educaterer's Recipe Card



Method

1. Chop raw chicken finely and place in a bowl (use a food processor if you have one).
2. Add lemon and herb stuffing mix, chilli and onions and mix together with the egg yolk and tomato passata.
3. Divide the mixture into 4 equal amounts and shape into patties, about 15cm thick. Place in the fridge to chill.
4. Heat oil in a large frying pan and gently fry the frittas until they are golden brown on the outside and piping hot in the middle.
5. *Blanche spinach for 10 seconds and drain, squeezing all the liquid out of it.
6. Gently fry the chopped garlic, add the drained spinach and coconut milk, season to taste.
7. Serve each fritta on a bed of the coconut spinach and crushed new potatoes with carrot ribbons.

Ingredients

- 500g chicken breast meat
- 40g lemon and herb stuffing mix
- 4 tbsp fresh chilli, deseeded and finely sliced
- 75ml tomato passata
- 80g onion, finely diced
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- 1 egg yolk
- 100ml coconut milk
- 400g spinach
- Vegetable oil for shallow frying
- Seasoning to taste



*BLANCHE MEANS TO PUT IN BOILING WATER, REMOVE AFTER A SHORT TIME, THEN PLUNGE INTO COLD WATER TO STOP THE COOKING PROCESS



Well done to YR AH and Y1 JL who had the highest attendance at school this week with a brilliant 100%

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

Y4 KG	99%
Y5 CB	99%
Y3 AH	99%
Y4 KJ	97%
Y6	98%
Y2 ES	98%
Y3 JM	96%
Y2 HC	96%
YR RK	96%
Y1 MBB	94%
Y5 JvS	94%

Please note that our school attendance target is 97%.

The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%. Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.

Diary Dates

Please note that some dates may be subject to change at short notice. In these cases we will notify parents/carers using our text messaging service.

Tuesday 1st May 2018	Y4 KJ Ancient Egypt workshop.
Wednesday 2nd May 2018	Y4 KG Ancient Egypt workshop.
Thursday 3rd May 2018	Performance of "Lost" to YR children and parents at 2.45pm.
Thursday May 3rd 2018	Y2 pottery session at The Pump Rooms.
Tuesday 8th May 2018	YR class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Tuesday 15th May 2018	Y1 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Monday 21st May 2018	No teacher-led clubs this week.
Tuesday 22nd May 2018	Y2 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Friday 25th May 2018	BREAK UP
Tuesday 5th June 2018	Return to school.
Tuesday 5th June 2018	Y6 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Friday 8th June 2018	School photographer visiting—individual pictures.
Tuesday 19th June 2018	Y5 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Thursday 21st June 2018	Performance of "100 Languages" dance piece to YR parents at 2.45pm.
Tuesday 26th June 2018	Y4 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Tuesday 3rd July 2018	Y3 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Wednesday 4th July 2018	KS2 Sport's Day (AM) —time to be confirmed.
Tuesday 10th July 2018	YR/KS2 Sport's Day (AM) - time to be confirmed.
Thursday 19th July 2018	Y6 Leavers' Assembly—time to be confirmed.

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Have a fabulous weekend!
Best wishes from Miss Glenny (Associate Headteacher)