

Friars Weekly News

Friday 11th October 2019

Dates for the diary

OCTOBER

Monday 14th

Year 1 Autumn walk

Tuesday 15th

PTA AGM

Wednesday 16th

Yr 5/6 Tag rugby - 9am - 2.45pm

Thursday 17th

Coffee morning

Mr Greenstein visiting Year 6

Friday 18th

Yr 5/6 Girls football - 9am - 2.45pm

Monday 21st

David Mayne with Year 6

Sparks & Spooks - Fire Safety Assembly

Tuesday 22nd

Parents Evening

Wednesday 23rd

Parents Evening

Thursday 24th

Nursery stay & play

Coffee Morning

Asda Educational visit

Monday 28th - Friday 1st

Half term

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th

INSET Day

Thursday 7th

Yr 6 Visit from London Bus Theatre company - 1.15pm

Friday 8th

Yr 6 Height & weight check

SCHOOL PHOTOS

If you are ordering your Tempest School Photographs through the school, please ensure that your orders are with us by Monday 14th October at the latest.

This week we had our first parent council meeting of the year. We really value the contributions the Parent Council and the Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) make to our school. If you are interested in joining the Parent Council please watch this space as there will be a message sent out about vacancies before the half-term break.

Just a little reminder that we ask for children below Year 5 to be collected by an adult at the end of the school day. Children in Years 5 and 6 can go home alone provided that the school office has received a written note saying that it is allowed. Thank you for your continued understanding with this matter.

Mr McClay

Review of The Week

Early Years

Nursery

This week the children have been exploring the creative table a little more. Some children have used the junk modelling to make boats, dinosaurs and robots. Others have used one of our idea books, following instructions of how to make paper cup birds and spiders. The children have also helped to create art work and pictures for our hall display based on the poems we have been learning through the Poetry basket. Please look out for this when you join us for the next stay and play.

Reception

The Reception children have been enjoying playing in the garden and looking at the falling leaves and autumn changes we have seen. We have been doing lots of counting, singing number songs and playing maths games on the interactive whiteboard. We have also been reading Traditional stories and encouraging the children to join in with the words. The children have been learning some Makaton signs and can now sign "Good morning" and "Good afternoon".

Key Stage 1

Year 1

Year 1 have been talking about how life was different for their grandparents compared to their own experiences. Thank you for sending back the question sheets. The children have enjoyed drawing their families and writing about them. In maths this week we have been subtracting practically and solving simple problems with equipment. Next week we will be walking to the park to see what changes happen in the local environment during autumn.

Dinner Menu – Week one

Monday - Pork sausage and creamy mash
Quorn sausage and creamy mash
Baked beans & salad bar
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or Pineapple
upside down cake and custard

Tuesday - Homemade beef lasagne
and garlic bread
Jacket potato with tuna or cheese
Sweetcorn & salad bar
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or Angel delight

Wednesday - Roast chicken
Veggie roll
Roast potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower
& salad bar
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or Arctic roll

Thursday - Pork meatballs in tomato
sauce with pasta
Cheese and tomato pasta bake
Garden peas & salad bar
Fresh fruit, yoghurt or cornflake tart
with custard

Friday - Fish fingers and chips
Cheese and tomato pizza and chips
Baked beans & salad bar
Fresh fruit, yoghurt & ice cream tub

Available daily

Cold packed lunch
Cool milk
Chilled water
Wholemeal and white bread
Fresh fruit and yoghurt

Bikes and Scooters – Please supervise your children after school and ensure that they do NOT ride bikes and scooters in the school grounds. This is for the safety of all our parents and children.

Parking – Several parents have commented on the parking outside school. Please make sure that you park in a safe place and that children are not allowed to get out of cars in dangerous areas such as the zig zags of the zebra crossing.

Attendance – 96.3%

KS1 – 2B - 99.3%

KS2 – 5VW – 99.3%

House points

KS1 – Windsor

KS2 – Stormont

Year 2

During this week Year 2 have been finding out how to write instructions. We have investigated words called 'imperative verbs' which are bossy words that tell people what to do. We have also tried to use adverbs in our instructions to add more detail. In maths we have continued using a blank number line to subtract two digit numbers - this has been rather challenging, but the children have persevered and been successful! In science we have been exploring which materials would be best to use to make an umbrella for a very wet Ted! We predicted what we thought would happen, carried out the investigation and then recorded our findings.

Key Stage 2

Year 3

In Year 3 this week we have been exploring Skara Brae and learning about the differences between the way Stone Age people lived compared to us today. We have been recreating our own story of Axe Soup based on the folk tale originating from Russia. The children enjoyed investigating igneous rocks in Science, experimenting using ice cream and cracking sauce.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have been looking at the Japanese art and poetry form of Haiku. We practised counting syllables and selecting impressive vocabulary to create short but incredibly effective poems. Initially we focused on nature and animals but then moved on to link our Haikus to our topic – the Normans and the Battle of Hastings. In geography we continued our learning of the United Kingdom and maps. We have previously looked at the countries, capital cities and regions and this week we focused on counties of the UK and linked this to various compass points.

Year 5

This week Year 5 had a visiting speaker come in to discuss what faith meant. He was thought provoking because he questioned why we believe in things that we cannot see and have no proof of. We created geographical fact files about countries in Europe. To develop our English skills, we have written newspaper reports based upon Tim Peake's space mission in 2015.

Year 6

It was the turn of 6D to complete the bikeability training this week. This training will ensure that should the children choose to ride their bikes on the road in the future, they will know the safest way to do so. The children have also been continuing their studies of the Victorians, looking at the many inventions that were created during the era, and realising just how many of these inventions we still use today!

Sports

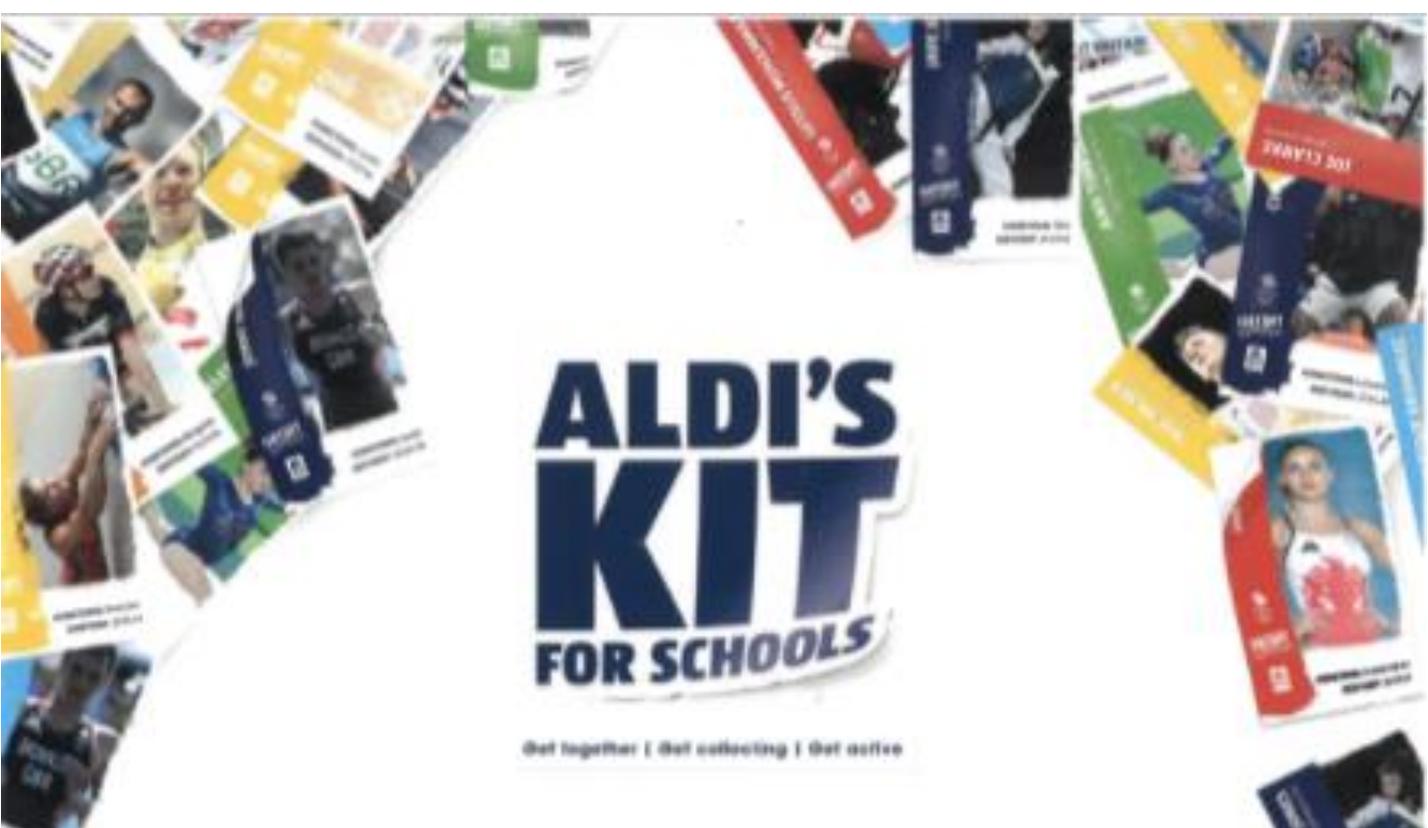
A quiet week in the Friars sports department this week, however we have two events coming up next week. On 16th it's the Year 5&6 mixed tag rugby at Southend Rugby Club and on the 18th the Year 5&6 girls football are competing at Len Forge.

In our PE lessons, Year 1 have been improving their ball handling skills and hand eye co-ordination.

While Years 2- 6 have been playing tag rugby, learning skills that include tagging, passing and playing small sided games.



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