

27/11/2020

Messages from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

This week at school, all of the children have been having classes about how to regulate their emotions. As part of our well-being development programme, we want the children to understand how to identify their feelings and regulate them. In every classroom there is a poster that helps the children identify how they are feeling - which in turn helps the teacher or teaching assistant know if there are any issues to be dealt with immediately.

We have also had another case of Covid in the school, which is very frustrating, as the child in question was sent into school unwell. I will send out the official public health letter but please do be mindful that if your household has symptoms at the weekend then let us know and keep your child at home, even if they are asymptomatic, until you have had a test. The impact of children missing weeks of education is huge and it is important that the school community is following the guidelines. Please also wear your masks when collecting your child, this includes after school club collection.

We have three more weeks of school and we are continuing to work really hard to catch the children up. On Saturday, thirty children in year 6 will be attending Saturday School where they will be doing catch up lessons in reading, writing and maths. We are also starting Action Tutoring classes for year 5, more information to follow.

There is also time to have fun All the children dressed up or dressed in their outdoor clothes today. We have raised £261 pounds for Children in Need, thank you all for your generosity. You may also have spotted a unicorn and a flamingo wandering around the school today.

Wishing you a safe and happy weekend,

Helen



New staff member of the week



I am Jamie and I have the pleasure of teaching Year 3! I am originally from Southampton but have lived in London for many years. I have an English degree, love reading and as Year 3 will be able to tell you, I love music.

Just like Dan a few weeks ago, I also really enjoy travelling, mainly because I like trying new foods. My favourite places to visit so far have been Cuba and Japan. Once the lockdown is over, I cannot wait to try some new cuisines in some far off places.



Celebration Awards



Julia Donaldson 2 year olds: Maria

For being an excited member to little nursery, always smiling and your confidence is amazing. You are a pleasure to have in our nursery. You Star!!!

Eric Carle Nursery: Dhaulagiri

Dhauula has settled in with ease after joining the class 4 weeks ago. She has constantly set the example, being always ready, respectful and safe. Dhauula worked really hard last week on Google Classroom and it was a real pleasure to watch all her videos. Well

Tony Ross: Anas

Anas has been amazing this week. His behaviour has been fantastic and he is now working very hard during lessons. He loves Maths!

Judith Kerr Reception: Ava

Ava has been working very hard in school and at home with Mum. She is becoming much more confident and has been sharing wonderful ideas in class. Keep it up Ava!

Ernest Shackleton Year 1: Inara

Inara has been giving her all in every lesson. She has an excellent attitude towards learning and takes pride in her work. Well done Inara, you're a star!

Francis Drake Year 1: Abdi

I am so impressed with the work that Abdi has produced in Maths and English. He has been working very hard in all of his lessons and this has shown in his work. Well done Abdi, keep on working hard!

Martin Luther King Year 5: Victoria

Victoria is an excellent role model in the class. She is always ready, respectful and safe. Victoria works so hard and is very helpful to those around her. Well done Victoria!

Emmeline Pankhurst Year 5: Charles

Charles has shown a huge improvement in his attitude towards work; he has become more engaged in class work and producing amazing writing work, whilst making progress in his reading as well!

Nelson Mandela Year 6: Ziyad

Ziyad strives hard to ensure that he uses ambitious vocabulary when writing, taking care to ensure that he includes the Year 6 statements in his writing. He shows great resilience by editing and improving his work until he is sure that his work meets the expected standards.

Winston Churchill Year 6: Suhana

For always trying her hardest, never giving up and being a shining example to the rest of the class.

Florence Nightingale Year 2: Dijana

For always being a super sitter and a role model. Dijana has worked very well in both English and Maths, and best of all with a smile on her face. Well done Dijana you superstar.

Marie Curie Year 2: Lavin

A huge well done to Lavin for being an absolute star this week! She always comes into the classroom with a smile on her face and is polite to everyone in class. I love that she is extremely careful when doing her work and always makes sure to check over what she has done

Isaac Newton Year 3: Azra

Azra has been a super star. She has been working hard to improve her writing, phonics and maths. She has been helping her friends and building confidence. Well done Azra. We are very proud of you.

Michael Faraday Year 3: Romeesa

Romeesa has shown a great amount of perseverance this week, working hard in Maths and producing some excellent writing. Her behaviour is always excellent and she has been a star this week. Congratulations Romeesa.

Charlotte Bronte Year 4: Jeremiah

For his imaginative ideas. His stories are a joy to read!

William Shakespeare Year 4: Ariij

Ariij has been flying recently. She has increased her confidence, is trying so hard in her learning (which is paying off) and in all is performing as the ideal role model. A pleasure to teach and be around! Well done you!

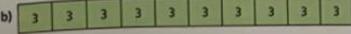
Fantastic Work from Charlotte Bronte Class

The tale of the better man
 In the past, there was a rich lawyer who lived in England. She had a son called Roy and a daughter called Ella. Before the mother passed away, she gave all her money and precious things to Roy. "Please take care of Ella. Just then, she was off to her sister's in heaven. But when the room left, Roy became a monster. "Get off your tablet. You're always clonching!" She had to the house and cooking while Roy went to the trampolining park. How would you feel in Ella's position? Why was Roy like that? Wouldn't you want to go to your mum?

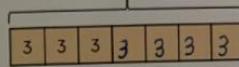
One gloomy afternoon, Ella was having a headache from all things she had to do. Then she heard a stamping. Again this time but it was louder. Boom! Boom! Boom! Ella went outside watching in doubtfulness. And then it spurs hell's bells and she says, "Ella was static!" She realised you don't need to be cool, Rich or the best you're extraordinary. You just need

Write two multiplication sentences for each part of the question.

a) 

b) 

There are 7 tricycles in a playground.
 How many wheels are there altogether?
 Complete the bar model to find the answer.

c) 

a. $5 \times 3 = 15 \checkmark$
 $3 \times 5 = 15 \checkmark$

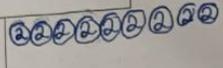
b. $3 \times 10 = 30 \checkmark$
 $10 \times 3 = 30 \checkmark$

c. $3 \times 7 = 21 \checkmark$
 $7 \times 3 = 21 \checkmark$

Represent it: 

Addition sentence: $2+2+2+2+2+2+2+2+2=18$

Multiplication sentence: $2 \times 9 = 18$

Equal groups? 

School Attendance:

Our goal is 96.5%

Currently at: 94.5%

Nelson Mandela – 94.2%

Winston Churchill – 91.5%

Emmeline Pankhurst – 89.1%

Martin Luther King – 96.8%

Charlotte Bronte – 99.3%

William Shakespeare – 96.5%

Michael Faraday – 93.8%

Isaac Newton – 99.2%

Marie Curie – 98.2%

Florence Nightingale – 96.8%

Francis Drake – 99.1%

Ernest Shackleton – 92.6%

Tony Ross - 100%

Judith Kerr – 93.1%

Julia Donaldson – 87.9%

Eric Carle – 89.2%

ASPIRE



Ambition



Self-Esteem



Perseverance



Independence



Respect



Enthusiasm

At Duncombe, we have developed core values, which we will teach and promote with our children to develop their aspirations. Our six core values are Ambition, Self-Esteem, Perseverance, Independence, Respect and Enthusiasm, the first letter of each spells out ASPIRE.

We are explaining and discussing each one with the children through a weekly assembly this term and will soon have them embedded in our practice throughout school life, helping children to recognise when they are demonstrating each value and how they can continue to develop them in their own character as they grow up.

So far, children have had assemblies about ambition, self-esteem and perseverance.

These can be viewed on our YouTube channel, by clicking on the links below, or found on the Personal Development page of our website

<https://www.duncombeprimary.co.uk/learning/personal-development>

Ambition Assembly - <https://youtu.be/HuJSX-PGWRk>

Self-Esteem Assembly - <https://youtu.be/NVGf5yccvz0>

Perseverance Assembly - <https://youtu.be/wJ0Kj2RoCF0>

Keep an eye out for Independence, Respect and Enthusiasm assemblies before the Christmas holidays!