# Weekly update Week ending: 25.01.2019

FRANCHE COMMUNITY PRIMARY

Theme: Kindness

# Welcome Back Paul Wilmott!



On Thursday, we said a very warm "Welcome Back!" to Paul Wilmott. This week, he has returned from a 3 month sabbatical and we were all delighted to see him. I am pleased to say that he will now be coming in regularly to speak to our children and inspire them. I had the pleasure, this week, of joining the Y5 and Y6 assembly which was taken by Paul and his puppet 'Twist.' Paul told the children about the bible story of Jonah and the whale, inspiring the children to think about how they could make positive choices. Thank you also to our Chair of Governors, Jason Borlase, who also joined our assembly. I hope you will all have a lovely weekend, Best Wishes, Mr Kenyon.

## Dates for your diary:

# Tuesday 29th January:

Year 6 SATs meeting for parents 2:45pm and 6pm in Upper School Hall.

# Maths workshops

# Nursery

Tuesday 12th February 9.15-10-10.15am Tuesday 26th February, both 9.15-10.15am

### Reception

Wednesday 6th Feb 2pm RC RFM Thursday 7th Feb 2pm RJ RLB

# Year Two

Tuesday 5th February 9-10am 2H and 2W Thursday 7th February 9-10am 2CH and 2D

## Year Three

Thursday 14th February 9-10am 3C and 3P Thursday 14th February 2-3pm 3H and 3T

# Year Five

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 5P and 5E 9-10am Thursday 14th March - 5D and 5C 9-10am

### Year Six

Wednesday 6th February - 9-10am 6R and 6F Wednesday 13th February - 9-10am 6G and 6H

# ATTENDANCE school target 96%

Whole School Attendance 96.9%

Best Classes of the Week: 96.1%

Reception: RJ 100%

KS1: 1B 99% KS2: 3C 100%

Best Year Band: year 5 97%

Lates this week - 48 please help us in reducing this number. Don't be late through the gate!!

Please can we remind parents that for the safety of all, children are to be walked into school via the <u>safe</u> <u>route</u> rather than walking over the staff car park.

Thank you for your co-operation in ensuring that your child is kept safe on school premises.

# Wyre Forest & Hagley Project Drop in:

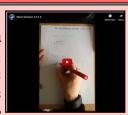
Tues 12th Feb - 2pm-3pm

Thurs 7th Mar - 9am-10am

Mon 25th Mar -2pm-3pm

# Maths Workshops

Year 1 and Year 4 have kick-started a range of useful maths workshops, providing methods, games and ideas that can be used at home as well as school. The feedback for these



workshops has been really positive. It has been great to see so many parents/carers coming along and engaging with their child's learning. Don't forget, if you can't attend the workshops there is lots of information on our school website that can support you with the age-related vocabulary, the topics covered and even some step-by-step videos (for each phase) for each mathematical operation.

Head to: www.francheprimary.org.uk, 'Our School', 'Our Curriculum' and check out the Mathematics page.

# Please note a change of lunch option on Thursday 31st Jan

We will now be serving Pizza rather than Pork Meatballs. Please call at the office to change or add your option. Thank you.

# **Franche House Point Totals**



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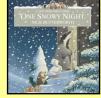


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**Nursery** This week in Nursery, we have been continuing with our topic of 'Winter' by reading the story of Percy the Park Keeper in' One Snowy night'. Children have been creating their own snowflakes with collage materials, glitter and paint and using scissor skills to create their own



unique patterns on their snowflake. We were also delighted to be able to welcome parents in to view pictures from our visit to 'Little Owl Farm' before Christmas and it was great for them to see what an exciting and enjoyable time we all had.

Year 1 This week Year 1 have had a lot of fun measuring in Maths. We have been exploring length and height. We started the week by using cubes or counters to measure different aeroplanes. We soon realised that these were not very accurate so, we started to learn about measuring in metres and centimetres. We had a



lot of fun measuring the different parts of our body to send to Rosie Revere. We are hoping she will make us a pilot's uniform. Can you have a go at measuring different objects at home?

Reception Our week started with us having a look at the newspapers. One of the articles caught the children's eyes as they saw the word 'Snappenpoop'. Together, we read the article which explained that there had been 30 sightings of the Snappenpoop in the United Kingdom! It also explained that he appears to be a friendly creature (which was a relief to hear). After a whole class discussion about what the United Kingdom is, we explained to the children that it is where we live. We looked at a map of the UK and found that there are 4 countries that make the UK; England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. As a class, we labelled the 4 countries and will be exploring these further throughout the week. In maths we have been ordering sailing boats with numbers on to send out on a search party to try and find the mysterious

Year 2 We have been thoroughly impressed by the pupils' knowledge of physical and human features, this week. Year 2 have been looking at some famous landmarks and considering which type of feature they are. Following this, they were set the challenge of identifying these human and physical features by looking at aerial maps through the support of Google Earth. We soon discovered that some famous landmarks were far easier to work out than others! Try one for yourself - with your child can you decide:

- A) Is this landmark a human or physical feature?
- B) Which of the two aerial images represents this landmark?







# Year 3

During the afternoons, Year 3 have begun exploring optical illusions. Children used the safer search engine, Kiddle, to research and find a variety of illusions. We discussed what we liked about them and compared different illusions. The elephant was one of our favourites. Can you work out how many legs it has?

Year 5

This week the children have been learning the formal written method for short division in maths. In English, planetary poems are being developed alongside figurative language. PE has been based around outdoor adventure skills; and in particular orienteering around the school grounds. We are looking forward to seeing the teamwork skills develop over the coming weeks.

Year 4 This week, the children have been starting to plan their own Roman quiz using the computer programme 'Scratch'. They have been using all the things they

have learnt so far to come up with questions and will be starting to build their games next week. In Maths, we have been continuing our work on fractions this week by looking at equivalent fractions. During our English lessons, the children have been innovating their own story based on the 'Mountain of the Gods' storytelling that we learnt. Ask your child to tell you the story to find out more!

Year 6 Year 6 have been on a watery adventure this week. They have re-joined Michael, his parents and Stella the dog, as they continue on their once in a lifetime trip aboard the Peggy Sue.



During their journey the children have written newspaper articles about a terrible incident that has occurred — Michael and Stella have fallen into the treacherous and murky waters! Will they be found? What dangers await them?

<u>Tots</u> This week in **Tiny Tots** we've been focusing on the 'Animal Boogie' story sack & using puppets to represent the different animals. We've also enjoyed singing action songs such as head shoulders knees and toes. The children enjoyed exploring textures using the sponges and paint. This week in **Little Tots** we have been looking at 'The Gruffalo' story sack at circle time. They have also been using mirrors to identify and name our facial features. We've also been getting very creative in the craft area using brushes and stamps in paint. his week in **Big Tots** we have been looking at the beginning letter of our names. We have also enjoyed listening to the 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' story sack and talking about the different foods he ate. Big tots children have been very creative using junk modelling and free painting.

Congratulations to **Reuben C fin 5P** or being on the top of the leader board this week in Times Tables Rockstars!

Congratulations to **Brynn J** or being the top speller in our school this week and for helping **3T** to become the top spelling class at Franche.



# Congratulations to all our wonderful Stars of the Week!



# Nursery

Blue - Max W Red - Alfie S Yellow - Toby B

# Reception

RJ Jessica E RC Jonah A **RLB Oscar A** RFM Felyzitee S

# Year 1

1D-Rosie P 1B- Zach H 1C-Oscar Do 1L-Tommy Lee S

# Year 2

2H: Elsie-May 2D: Cayden W 2CH: Micah B 2W: Isabelle C

# Year 3

3C: Ned H 3T: Jayden J 3H: Connor F 3P: Isabelle M

# Year 4

4S - Samson F 4B - Blake M 4EP - Millie B 4A - Megan P

# Year 5

5P: Ellis B 5E: Jake W 5c: Charlie E 5D: Tilly C

# Year 6

6G - Thani P 6H - Mia G 6F - Oli L 6R-Niamh S-M

# **Tots**

Tiny Tots- Frankie W Little Tots-Sophie D Big Tots 1- Joe W Big Tots 2- George P

# Completion of Bronze passports

Reception Year 2 Year 3 Year 4

Georgie Abbot Simarpreet B Sienna W Peter Y Taylor F Bailey T-M Tia W Elsie C Danni W Louis B Eva Mae W Harley V Joshua S Zachary R Noah L'H Poppy P

> Mia C Savannah D Izzie Parker L'H

Daniella M-A Eliza M Corey B Oliver H Oliver H

# Headteacher's Award

Nursery: Sebastian S

Reception: Toby W

Year 1: Amber C

Year 2: Jordan K

Year 3: Rylan L

Year 4: Darcey E

Year 5: Yusuf D



# International Day

# Wednesday 6th February 2019

School Council invite you to support us with our new project! We would like to buy some amazing outdoor learning resources to help improve our Geography and History knowledge.



On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, we are asking you to come to school dressed up in clothes which represent a country. This could be in the colours of a flag, the football kit of the country, an animal or person from the country or even your own clothes with a fact sheet of your chosen country. We are asking for a voluntary donation of 50p to help us buy these signs. There will be lots of fun activities planned for the day so we hope you will support us in Franche's fun International Day!

Thank you,

School Council