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Cotherstone Primary School Newsletter 17th June 2021

Covid

Please continue to wear a face mask when dropping off and collecting your children, for everyone's safety. Thank you.

'Euroniform!'

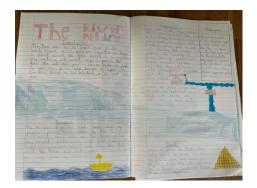
Children can come to school in a football kit of their choosing (or other appropriate sporting clothes) on the days that the Home Nations play in the current Euro 2020 finals.

The group stage dates for England and Scotland are Friday 18th June and Tuesday 22nd June (sorry to any Wales fans for missing Wednesday's game!) Wales' final group game is on Sunday 20th but hopefully they'll go through to the next round!

Assuming that any of the teams do progress through the tournament, children can continue to wear their kits on the days of those games.

Class 2 - Ancient Egypt Topic Work

We have had a very busy return to school following the half term break. The children are enjoying our Ancient Egypt topic and have produced some fantastic work.



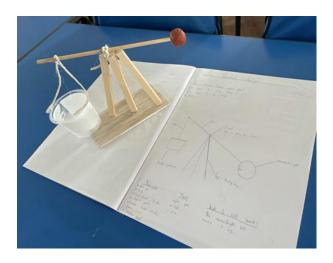
Class 2 created some excellent River Nile Models within our Geography lessons. They learned about the physical and human features of the Nile and the land surrounding the Nile. They used resources to represent each of the features and then wrote some information about each feature for an exhibit in our Class Museum.



They then looked at the question: 'Why was the River Nile so important to the people of Ancient Egypt?'

From this they explored the 'gifts of the Nile' and created some fantastic work.

Finally, as part of our DT they explored the Shaduf which allowed the Egyptians to collect water from the Nile. They designed their own Shaduf after evaluating a variety of designs and made their own!



Class 3 Reversible Changes Investigation

In science, we experimented with different materials to create some irreversible chemical changes. This is when we mix reactants together to create new materials. We mixed bicarbonate of soda together with vinegar. This produced carbon dioxide which we used to inflate balloons!

We then created a type of plastic called casein by mixing vinegar and milk. This material was used in the early part of the 20th century to make buttons and the handles of fancy comb and brush sets!



After School Club

It's been another busy week in club. Mustard seeds have been sown, outdoor games have been played and Father's Day cards made, all with lots of fun along the way. If you wish to book your child in to club please contact Alison in the office.

Golden Ticket Lunchtime Awards

Golden tickets this week were awarded to:

Libby - for her lovely manners at lunchtime.

Finn - for always being polite to lunchtime staff.

Reuben - for always offering help to the lunchtime staff.

Noah – for always being cheerful and polite to lunchtime staff.

Awards

Class 1: Star of the Week goes to Isabella for her great work in maths and number recognition!

Presentation Award goes to Ryan.

Class 2: Star of the Week: Charlie - an excellent River Nile piece of work!

Presentation Award: Oliver

Class 3: Star of the Week: Kitty for her evocative description of a shipwreck.

Presentation Award: Aaron

Well done to you all.

Homework

Class 1: EYFS - doubling activity and Literacy activity in homework folder

Year 1 - Spellings and reading comprehension in homework folder

Year 2 - Spellings and reading comprehension in homework folder

Please spend 5-10 minutes reading every day. Your child has their reading books changed twice a week. It is so important to read little and often as it helps children's understanding of the text and their fluency. Thank you.

Class 2: Literacy - Spellings and expanded noun phrases. Maths - Times Tables work.

Please continue to read at home as often as you can and write any reading you do at home in your child's/children's reading record. Raffle tickets are entered into our book raffle for the chance to win one of our fantastic books.

Class 3: Maths mat. Science - Circulatory system. Spellings.

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Thank you for all your support. Chris Matthewman and the Cotherstone Team

Dates for your diary:

18th June – Years 5 & 6 swimming

21st June – Week 3 of new lunch menu

25th June – Years 5 & 6 swimming

28th June – Week 1 of lunch menu

28th June – Class 1 Football Competition at Staindrop Academy

29th June – Class 2 Cricket Competition at Staindrop Academy

29th June – Football Team to World Cup Football Competition at Staindrop Academy

30th June – Class 3 Athletics Competition at Staindrop Academy