



St. Lawrence CE Primary School

Executive Head Teacher - Mrs Rebecca Nash

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Dear Parents,

14th May 2021

We have had another positive week in school and across all classes children have been focusing on printing in Art lessons. Staff have been reviewing the Art progression documentation in staff meetings and children have been enjoying different types of printing focusing on the work of famous artists. Class One have been looking at the work of Henri Matisse and Kandinsky, Class Two have studied the work of Paul Klee, Year 4/5 have been printing in the style of William Morris and Year 6 are looking at the famous and iconic style of Andy Warhol. Examples of the work carried out in classes can be found on the school website

Mental Health Awareness Week

This week has been Mental Health Awareness Week. The theme of the week has been 'Nature'. Spending time in green space or bringing nature into your everyday life can benefit both our mental and physical wellbeing. For example, doing things like growing food or flowers, exercising outdoors or being around animals can have lots of positive effects. It can improve mood, reduce feelings of stress, help us feel more relaxed, improve physical health, improve our confidence and self-esteem, and help us be more active. Please see the below website for more information about this important week and for more ways to look after our mental health:

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

In school this week, the Mental Health Week theme of 'Nature' has run through all our Forest School Sessions. Please see individual class pages for more information about what has happened in each class this week.

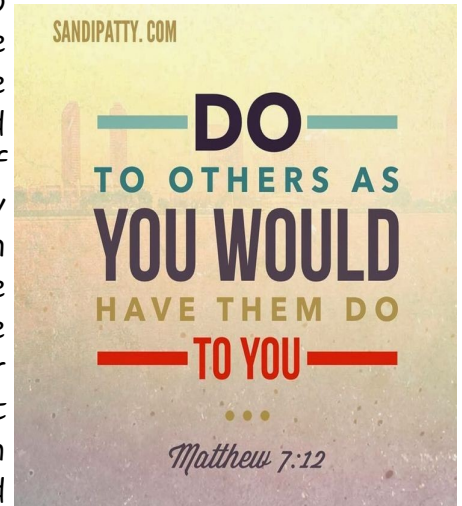




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Worship Sessions

In our class Worship sessions we have continued to focus on the value of Respect. This week we have discussed with the children respecting difference and diversity and treating others how we would like to be treated ourselves. Mrs Nash led one of assemblies this week and the children really enjoyed seeing her in a virtual capacity. Through our assembly themes we were able to acknowledge Mr Al-Asmar as an observer of Ramadan and spoke to the children about his tremendous efforts over the last 30 days fasting from sunrise to sunset. It has been really lovely being able to explain differences in religious practices using first hand experiences.



Changes to collection times

Thank you all for your patience and understanding with staggered start and finish times and wearing face masks whilst maintaining a safe distance. As we are a small community I think our drop off and collection arrangements have been extremely successful over the last few months. As you can imagine, the staggered end of day arrangements are quite disruptive to learning, particularly for Class 1 who have 3 collection times. Can we ask that from after half term Class 1 moves to only two staggered times. This means that the first group, with no siblings will need to collect at 2.55pm instead of 2.45pm. All other arrangements will remain the same at this time but we will be under review with the easing of restrictions in June. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

Class	Drop off	Collection
1	8.45am	2.55pm
2	8.55am	2.55pm
3	9.05am	3.05pm

Please note, those parents with siblings in different year groups need to drop off at the earliest time and collect at the latest time.



Nurturing natural art - class 1

Class 1 enjoyed creating their own piece of natural art as part of Mental Health Awareness Week. We enjoyed the story of 'The Blue Tit and the caterpillar' in the quiet garden whilst listening to the birds and even saw a bird flitting in and out of a bird box. It was lovely to see the children immersed in nature.



We collected natural things from the school grounds to help us create our artwork.



"I created a tree and then added a butterfly after." Lottie



"This is a stone man. I felt calm making it like when we do Calm Brain." Alfie

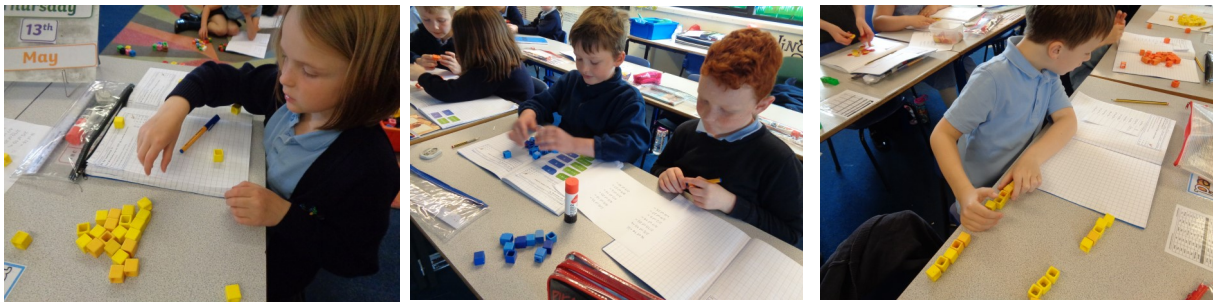


"I made a heart using twigs and flowers. I liked listening to music when making it." Soraya



Class 2

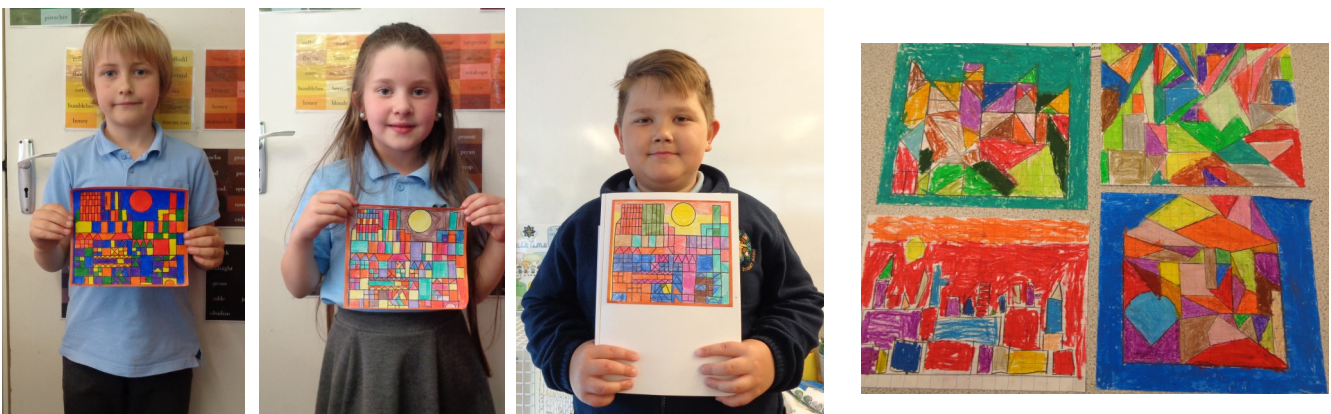
This week has been a week full of fractions, Paul Klee artwork, Forest School and well-being. In Maths, we have progressed through our unit on fractions really well, with the children developing terrific fractions of amounts skills. We have used manipulatives to help physically carry out the method.



In Forest School, as part of our Mental Well-Being work, the children recreated book covers of stories they love using natural resources. We battled through the heavy rain shower for as long as we could before having to retreat indoors.



As part of our printing unit in Art, we have focused on the artist Paul Klee. On Monday, we looked at the style of our focus artist and his use of colours. We then moved onto designing our own version of his artwork on Tuesday and will be creating printed painting versions of these next week.





Class 3 News

Year 6 Pop Art

Year 6 are exploring the art of Andy Warhol.

August 6, 1928 - February 22,

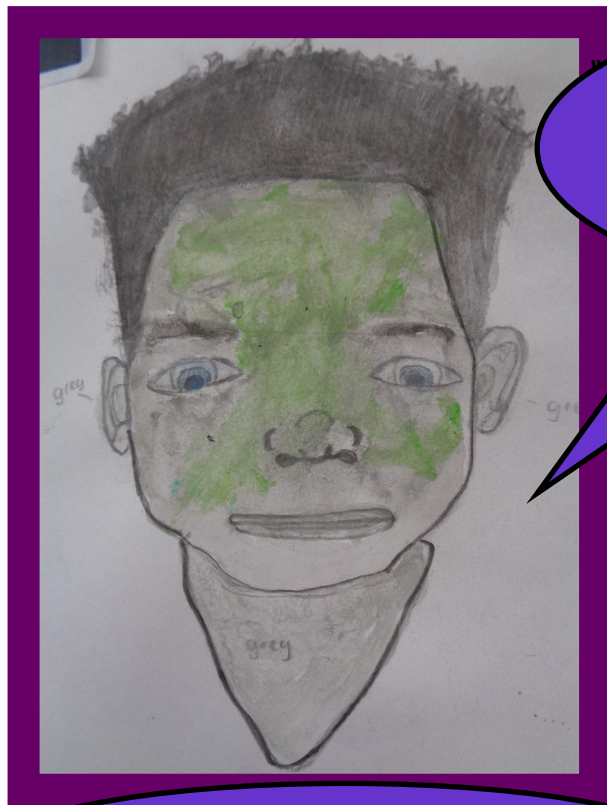


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Andy Warhol

Andy Warhol was an American artist, film director, and producer who was a leading figure in the visual art movement known as pop art



"We have learnt that all art is art, no matter the style."
"The diversity of the style can look normal."



"You can use a variety of different colours, for the same picture."
"It stands out and looks good."

"He used pop culture in the sixties, to give him inspiration."





Forest School

Class 3 News

The Green Man

'Spirit of the Forest'

Linking to Mental Health Week, using nature as a calming influence in our lives.



We have been learning about, The Green Man. He is believed to have been intended as a symbol of growth and rebirth, the eternal seasonal cycle of the coming of spring and the life of Man.



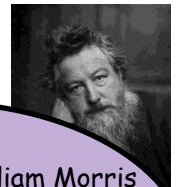
"It was fun using the different leaf shapes to make the face."

"Drawing veins on the leaves brought the face to life."



The Green Man is typically portrayed as a human face surrounded by dense foliage. Such images appear as far back as the eleventh century, in church carvings. As Christianity spread, the Green Man went into hiding, with stonemasons leaving secret images of his face around cathedrals and churches. He enjoyed a revival during the Victorian era, when he became

Year 4 and 5 Learning to Block Print



"Have nothing in your house, that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful."

William Morris



"We learnt about William Morris and his designs. He was a very famous, Victorian designer, in the Arts and Crafts Movement."

"I really liked his design called Strawberry Thief."

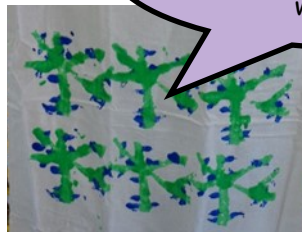


"It was lots of fun, printing on the fabric."

"It was challenging to make your pattern line up."



"I thought it was relaxing. I now know how the Victorians printed wallpaper."





Year 6 pupils in their Leavers Hoodies 2021



We handed out Y6 leavers hoodies today and it was lovely to see their delighted faces! It is that time of year when the secondary school dream is getting nearer and nearer. Y6 have been told that they are able to wear their new hoodies for the rest of their time here with us.



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CHANGE OF MENU

Thursday 20th May is Census Day



so to encourage your child to have a cooked school dinner the menu has slightly changed

The new menu for that day will be:

Hot dog and wedges

MUFTI DAY



Thank you to all of you who have supported our Mufti Day today for our Breast Cancer Charity. With your generosity we have raised an impressive **£102.30**.

MEXICAN DRAWING COMPETITION

Congratulations to our designers!

Last week, some of our pupils took part in a drawing competition organised by the Mexican Embassy in the UK. They had to design a picture that represented their idea of Britishness, in order to be included in the first ever Mex-Brit lotería (bingo).

For their outstanding participation, they will receive special certificates signed by the Ambassador. This is a wonderful acknowledgement of their creativity! Thank you to Mrs Leon for her organisation with this.



PARKING—Polite reminder

Could we please remind parents and carers that when you are dropping off and picking up your child at school times please be mindful of the residents in the village and not to obstruct their driveways in any way. Thank you.



Celebrating Success this week!



HEAD TEACHER AWARD

Abigail : for her bravery last week with a school injury. She really was
A superstar!

Class One

William : Listening and learning in all areas

Cameron : working so hard in all areas of the curriculum

Class Two

Olivia P : for working really well with focus all week

Faith : for working really hard to achieve in fraction lessons

Class Three

Maisie : always working quietly and enthusiastically in class

Logan : for working independently with some difficult maths
concepts





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CLASS TIMETABLES

CLASS 1

THURSDAY - PE

FRIDAY - FOREST SCHOOLS

CLASS 2

WEDNESDAY— PE and FOREST SCHOOLS

CLASS 3

MONDAY

Year 6: Children will be taking part in either a Commando Joe session or a Forest School Session. On this day, please dress your child in Forest school clothing (tracksuit bottoms, trainers, school T shirt, fleece, separate top to put over for forest schools). Please do not dress children in shorts, even if it is warm, as shorts are not suitable for Forest School. If it has been wet please also provide wellingtons.

Years 4 and 5: Normal school uniform day.

TUESDAY

Normal school uniform day for all years in Class 3.

WEDNESDAY

Year 6: Normal school uniform day.

Years 4 and 5: PE clothing

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

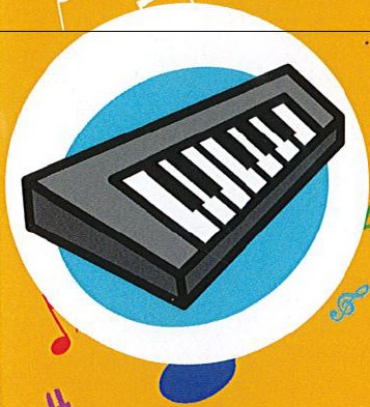
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“SPOT THE ODDITY”

A FREE COMPETITION FROM NEWPORT ROTARY LITE

WHAT IS IT? A fun game for families and individuals to encourage Newport townsfolk to look in local shops and service provider's windows as they emerge from the recent disruption.

THE OBJECTIVE? Everyone, both traders and entrants, will have fun taking part and townsfolk will be encouraged to use local shops.

WHY SHOULD THEY LOOK? Each participating outlet have placed in their front window an object that is clearly not appropriate to their trade – these may be funny, odd, or downright peculiar and can be large or small. Participating traders will display an A5 poster saying their window contains an oddity.

WHEN IS THIS? It will run all from the 1st May through to the 6th of June to cover Bank Holidays and Half Term.

WHERE CAN I GET ENTRY FORMS? Entry forms can be downloaded from www.newportrotarylite.org.uk or paper copies can be obtained from Hub Café, Ace Computers and Newport Beds and Carpets. There will be notices on Facebook with links and it will be announced in local papers.

All entries should be returned as soon as possible after 6th June and before Saturday 12th June. Completed entry forms can be posted in the box provided at these locations or emailed to competitions@newportrotarylite.org.uk

WHAT WILL IT COST ME? Nothing.

WHAT IS THE INCENTIVE? Newport Rotary Lite will be providing vouchers worth £25 to four correct entries, independently selected at random, when the competition has closed. The vouchers may be used in any participating shop or outlet.

CONTACT info@newportrotarylite.org.uk Attention Phil Knight.