

Cannon Lane Primary School Key Stage 1 Newsletter

Spring 1st Half Term 2016



Dear Parents and Carers,

Children have started the new term with a spring in their step and with a very positive attitude to learning. There have been so many notable achievements already and we would like to celebrate some of these in this newsletter. Not only have the children been focused and imaginative in their learning at school, there have been some outstanding pieces of learning at home too. Thank you for all your effort and support in helping the children be so successful.

Amazing Year 1 Art

Pupils in Year 1 have transformed Cannon Lane Primary School into an art gallery with their fantastic portrayals of different pieces by Van Gogh. Mrs Buckner has supported the children to use pastels, paint and even clay in their interpretations of the famous artist. The children have been enthusiastic throughout, even doing their own research and drawing at home. Well done Year 1!

Writing like Roald Dahl

Children in Year 2 have really enjoyed reading different stories by Roald Dahl. They have been inspired by his creative ideas and written descriptively just like him...

Augustus Gloop is very greedy. His eyes are as blue as the ocean and he has revolting freckles on his round face. He eats so much chocolate that he could explode!

Tharina 2LH

Mrs Twit has an ugly face with spiky hair. She has a long nose like a nasty witch. She is old and walks slowly with her walking stick which she uses to hit terrified children with.

Priya 2KH

Willy Wonka's chocolate room was amazing! I was so excited when I went in and my mouth was watering. I ate a whole candy cane to myself and it was delicious.

Daniel 2M



Sunflowers by 1M



An example of Year 2's creative home learning

A Positive Start

Every month in school we develop our understanding of specific values. In January we focused on positivity and children considered their hopes and wishes for the new year as well as ways to approach problems with a smile. Well done to the children who won the special awards for showing the most positivity. In February, we are reflecting on the value of caring.

Upcoming Events

Year 2 Trip: The children are looking forward to a brilliant day of learning at the Roald Dahl Gallery at Buckinghamshire Museum on Thursday 25th February. As we continue to learn more about Roald Dahl and his fantastic stories, this outing will have the children explore the gallery with a museum expert. This expert will teach children all about Roald Dahl and give them the opportunity to explore the story-themed exhibitions, from seeing the insects of the giant peach up close, to exploring Mr. Fox's burrow, to seeing The Twits' upside-down house. We will also spend part of the day creating some super story-themed art!

Year 1 Trip: The children are excited about going to Kidzania on Monday 7th March. This is a new exciting concept where children can try out real life role play activities such as being a police officer or taking part in activities at a bank. Each role play experience is crafted to teach the children essential life skills including financial literacy, team work and independence! It will give the children the confidence to challenge themselves and inspire them to explore the world of opportunities around them...

Parent Workshop: The next workshop to support learning at home is on Wednesday 2nd March, at 1.30-3.00pm and then again at 6.00-7.30pm. This will provide you with information about the assessments in Key Stage 1, including the Year 1 phonics screening and Year 2 statutory assessments. There will also be lots of ideas shared about how to support writing at home, including spelling, handwriting and grammar. We hope to see you lots of you there!

On behalf of all of the staff in Year 1 and Year 2, I would like to thank you for your continuous support. Please feel free to come and see me if there is anything you would like to discuss.

With very best wishes,

Mrs N Brown,

Assistant Headteacher for Key Stage 1



Our January Values Award winners

Class Assemblies

 Save the Date!	Class	Date of Assembly
	1M	11 th February
	2LH	10 th March
	1S	5 th May
	1A	19 th May
	1D	16 th June



Well done to 2KH for their marvellous Roald Dahl assembly!