Friday 28th March 2025 Newsletter

This week has seen our students settling into a few changes during lunchbreaks. They are doing a brilliant job of separating leftover food and packaging into our new recycling bins and taking a bit more time over eating, ensuring that they do take in some nourishment and don't rush their lunches or waste food. Three year 6 pupils represented the school at the National Schools F1 challenge in Rotherham. Well done boys and a massive thanks to Mrs Clark who supported them.

Year 3 this week have written their own non-chronological reports about either dragons or unicorns. The reports they wrote were of a high standard and included all the features we have talked about. In Science, we have been investigating which materials are best at blocking out light and we found out that opaque materials, like black paper and leather are best. In Maths, children have enjoyed collecting data which they have then represented on bar charts or pictograms. In Guided Reading we are looking at non-fiction texts and in particular one on Foxes. Finally, Year 3 staff have enjoyed talking to parents about how the children are getting on at the first of our Parents' Evenings. We look forward to meeting everyone else next week.

Year 4 have been writing a diary based around 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne from the perspective of Jack. The children have also been making their illuminated light boxes and many have finished ready to bring them home for Easter! In Science, the children have been investigating sound and how we hear using string telephones- we have had a lot of fun testing them out.

Year 5 Year 5 particularly enjoyed the creativity of Science week when we designed a machine to separate metal and paper. They liked using trial and error, working in groups and starting from scratch on a project. We have been exploring the possible reasons for the fall of the Mayan civilisation and many children have enjoyed finding out about Mayan culture. As the sun has been shining, it's been great fun having PE outside where the children have been learning throwing skills.

Year 6 This week has been filled with creativity and collaboration! Our Year 6 students have been busy with a fun and challenging science task: working in groups to design and build a device that separates paper clips from paper. They used their DT skills, applied scientific knowledge, and worked effectively as a team. The ideas and solutions they came up with were impressive! In addition to the science challenge, the students have also been exploring sculpture in art, working with clay and wire. Their inspiration came from our recent trip to SCVA, where they observed and drew on various artistic styles and techniques.

Next week is the last week of the Spring Term and we will be drawing the half termly 100% attendance prize of tickets for the Theatre Royal, for the last time. We also have an Easter egg raffle taking place to raise funds for our Year 6 leavers' day out at Bewilderwood. I am sure they will want me to pass on a big thank you for all of the Easter egg donations. Finally, next week is also Mr Savage's last week at Falcon Junior School. He will be very much missed by pupils, staff and I am sure parents too. We have plans to ensure that his last day with us is a very special one.

Happy weekend all!