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The winning house this week is Blue House who may wear their own clothes on Monday.

Commendation Awards

Thomas M

Bobby W

Noah E

Naomi C

Luna WA

George W

Sammy T

Joel C

Alfie J

Reception

Happy New Year! It is great to have the children back and see them working so hard. In Maths, we enjoyed going on a number hunt and finding how many different ways we can show the numbers. We also looked at an aerial view of our school and discussed where minibeasts might live. We followed a map to locate the minibeasts that were hiding in our school grounds.



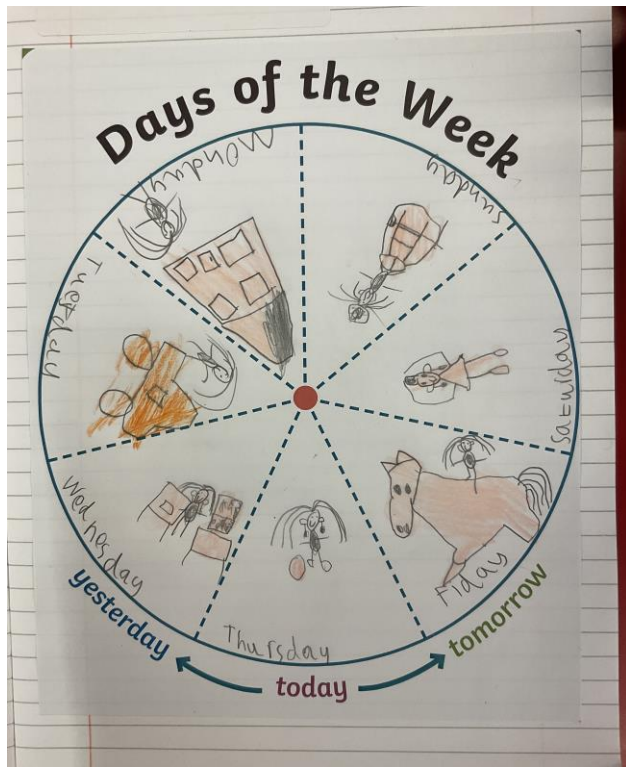
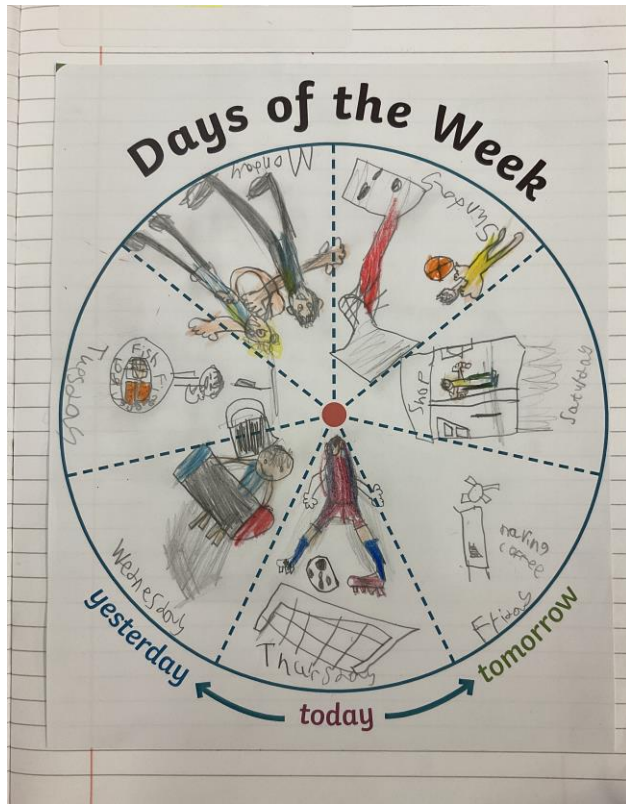


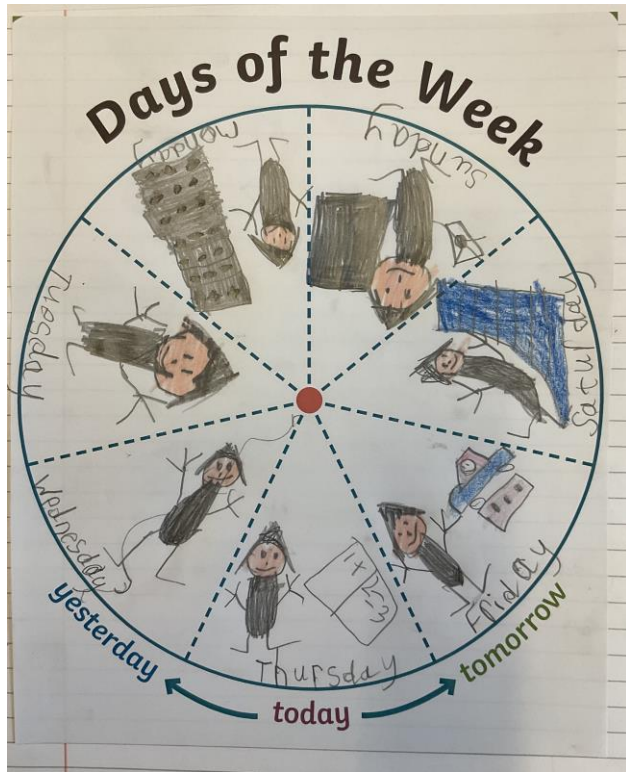
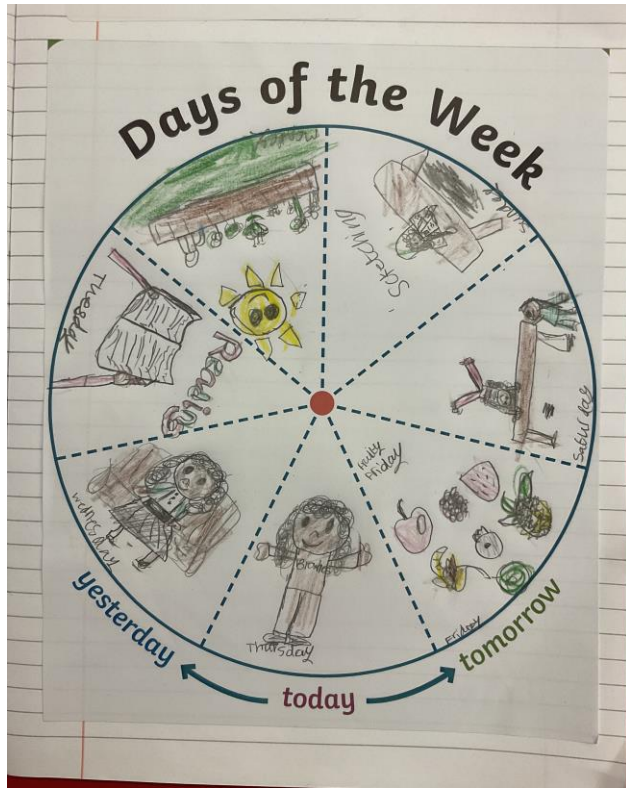


KS1

Happy New Year! We hope that everyone has had a lovely break and is ready for our new term. This term our topic is all about different creatures! You will receive an email with our spring newsletter which will tell you more about what your child will be learning in each subject this term.

It was lovely to welcome the children back on Tuesday and we have had a great first week. We began the week by thinking about the season of winter, the weather we are likely to see and the changes in temperatures that occur. The children enjoyed sharing what activities they like to do in winter, and it is safe to say that we will all be very excited if we do get snow! In RE we started our learning about the Jewish festival of Shabbat and thought about what we do on different days of the week.

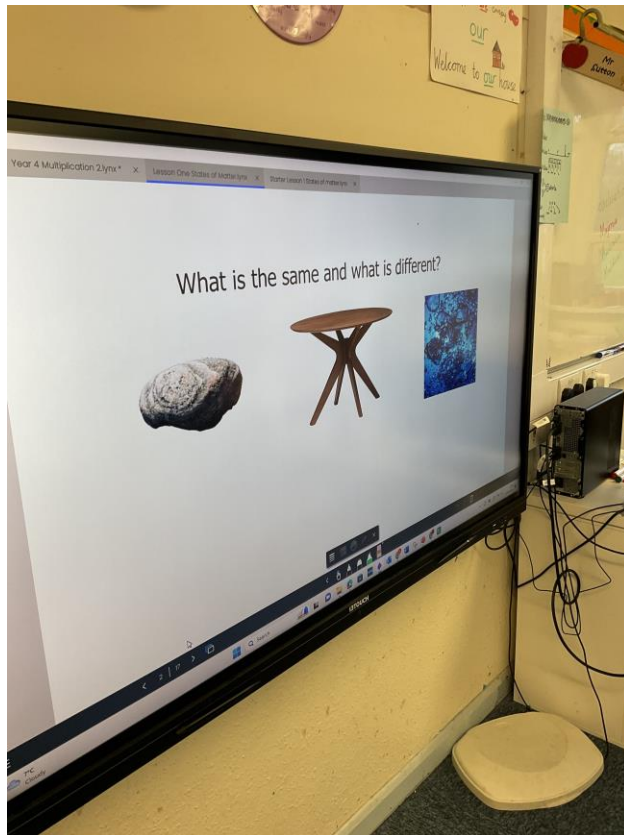




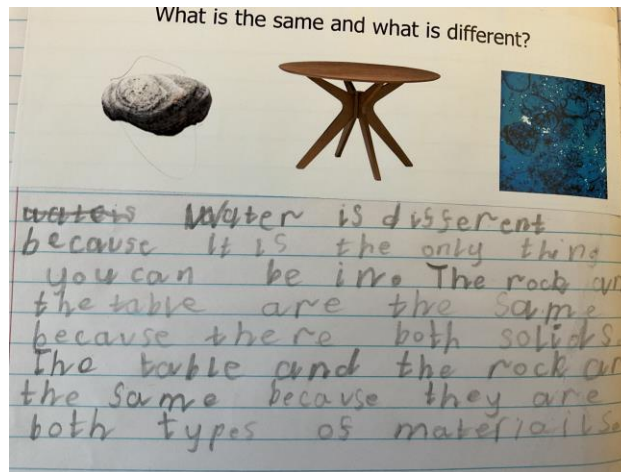


LKS2

This week LKS2 have begun their new science topic, 'States of Matter'. We begun by looking at a rock, a wooden table and some water and discussing 'what is the same and what is different?'. We identified that the water is a liquid and the other two objects are solids, but we also had suggestions such as the table has been altered by humans and the others haven't, or that they are all related to water because the rock has been shaped by water and the tree needs water to grow. After that, we worked on identifying solids, liquids and gases and grouping them accordingly. We then discussed what the difference was between these different states of matter and how water and solids will always keep the same volume but gas can spread out and cover much more space.



Can you draw 5 different solids?	Can you draw 5 different liquids?	Can you draw 5 different gases?
What makes something a solid?	What makes something a liquid?	What makes something a gas?
Solids always take up the same amount of space.	water take up the same amount of volume now matter what the shape.	Gas doesn't keep its shape it just goes where it want to.



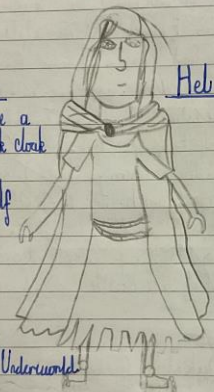
UKS2

Happy New Year to all the children and families in UKS2. We hope you had a lovely break.

This week, we have ended our Anglo-Saxon/Viking topic by learning all about their beliefs. The children created a factfile of a chosen god or goddess which detailed their powers, appearance and any other characteristics. Finally, to summarise our learning, we took part in interactive Kahoot quizzes to really put our knowledge to the test! It was a tense time as the children battled for the spots on the podiums but a lot of fun was had by all!

Hel

Appearance:
 She wore a long black cloak and a dress. Her lower half is purely skeleton.



Powers:
None

Good or evil?
She likes cruel and greedy.


Looks after:
The Viking Underworld

What did they like doing?
Being cruel and greedy

What did Vikings believe?
 Vikings believe in Valhalla which seems is kind of a heaven for Vikings. You could go to Valhalla, the fields of or Hel. Hel was not bad.

LOKI

Appearance:
 Bearded, horned helmet, large axe, beaded necklace, cup horn, but his appearance always changes.



Powers:
 He can shapeshift, he causes great mischief.

Good or evil?
 Evil because he causes mischief that can cause great harm.

What does Loki like doing?
 He likes to play tricks on people and gods.

What did Loki look after?
 Loki looked after lies and mischief.

Good or Evil?

What do they like doing?

He is good, and he enjoyed riding his chariot pulled by giant goats.

Appearance:

Tall and strong, always carrying his hammer. He was the most powerful god, and the son of Odin. Normally he is shown with a beard.



Powers:

His hammer could summon lightning, destroy mountains, and even kill giants!

Thor

What do they look after?

Thor is the god of thunder and physical strength.

He was the common people's favourite.

What did Vikings believe?

Vikings believed in Valhalla, which means Hall of the dead. They also believed in multiple gods, the head of which was called Odin.

Idun

Good or Evil:

Idun was good because she was god of new life like new-born viking babies.



Appearance:

Idun wears a long dress and carries a basket. She looks a little bit like an maid. She carries a basket of magic apples which give immortality to anyone who ate one.

What did they

look after:

Idun looked after the immortality apples. Loki kidnapped Idun and her apples.

Powers:

Idun is the goddess of Spring, new life and youth.

What did Vikings believe?

Vikings believe in Valhalla which means Hall of the dead. When Vikings died in battle, angels scoop up their souls and bring them to Valhalla. or ...

Girls Football Tournament

We delighted to inform you of the commendable performance by our Girls' Football Team at the recent tournament. Nine dedicated players from Years 4 to 6 represented our school admirably in ten challenging matches against eleven other schools from Cheshire East. Their display of teamwork, dedication, and sportsmanship was truly commendable. Thank you to the parents who were also able to attend, providing invaluable support from the sidelines.

Congratulations to our girls for their outstanding representation of Lower Park School









Policy Updates

Following some statutory changes there are two updated policies on our website, these are;-

Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

Parental Behaviour Policy

PTA

Quiz Night - Friday 9th February

Your PTA will be hosting a Quiz Night with games and a raffle on Friday, 9th February at the Davenport Golf Club off Middlewood Road. Quiz tickets are £5 per person (limited tickets available), raffle tickets are £1 each. Come on your own or as a team of up to eight. Cash bar with bar snacks. Get your ticket(s) from the School's office from Wednesday 17th January.

Lower Park PTA Presents

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 9th February

**DAVENPORT GOLF CLUB
MIDDLEWOOD ROAD
SK12 1TS**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7.30PM, QUIZ STARTS AT 8PM
COME ON YOUR OWN OR AS A TEAM OF UP TO 8**

£5 per person (limited tickets)

CASH BAR, GAMES & RAFFLE

**Tickets available at Lower Park School Office
Hazelbadge Road SK12 1HE**

Drama Club

There are still some places available at the drama club which is now open to all.



ON THE STAGE: Trolls!
For children in Reception – Year 6

We are delighted to be running our **Trolls** themed 'On the Stage' club in the Spring Term. This club is a combination of dancing, drama and singing with a specific focus on building confidence, taking inspiration from the **Trolls Band Together** movie.

On the Stage will run after school 3:20pm-5:20pm on **Fridays for Reception – Year 6**. Each session costs £11.50 and the club starts on 12th January and the final lesson on 22nd March (Full details can be found on our website). **We accept all childcare vouchers and payments can be made in instalments. No payment is due until January.**

To sign up please visit www.rattleandrollperformance.com (you will need to register first if you haven't previously). To go straight to the class, use code OSLPPS1.

If you have any questions, please contact us on enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301.

Thank you and best wishes,

Katy Emmerson
Rattle and Roll

Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Spring 2023

Thursday 1st February – Year 6 parents SAT's meeting from 5.00pm

Thursday 1st February – KS2 movie night –to register your interest please complete the survey on school spider, to determine whether this event will go ahead

Friday 2nd February - NSPCC Number Day

Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February – PTA Quiz Night, Davenport Golf Club

Tuesday 13th February - Parents Evening

Wednesday 14th - Parents Evening

Wednesday 6th March – Yr 3/4 (MC) morning visit to Quarry Bank Mill

Thursday 7th March - KS1 visit to Yeshurun Hebrew Congregation (morning visit)

Friday 8th March – Year 3 (RC) morning visit to Quarry Bank Mill

- Year 4 (AS) afternoon visit to Quarry Bank Mill

11th-15th March – Science Week

Community noticeboard



Urgent Winter Water Safety Message

RLSS UK offer safety advice for winter water safety, with simple steps to keep safe during the winter:

1. Never go onto the ice to play, to retrieve an object, or a pet
2. Never enter the ice to rescue somebody, call 999 and ask for the Fire and Rescue Service

What to do if you fall through the ice:

- Keep calm and shout for 'help'.
- Spread your arms across the surface of the ice in front of you
- If the ice is strong enough, kick your legs to slide onto the ice
- Lie flat and pull yourself towards the bank
- If the ice breaks, work your way to the bank-breaking the ice in front of you anyway
- If you cannot climb out, wait for help and keep as still as possible. Press your arms by your side and keep your legs together. Keep your head clear of the water
- Once you are safe, go to hospital immediately for a check up

What to do if you see someone fall through the ice:

- Shout for assistance and phone the emergency services – call 999 or 112
- Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue
- Shout to the casualty to 'keep still' and offer reassurance to keep them calm
- Try and reach them from the bank using a rope, pole, tree branch, clothing tied together or anything else which can extend your reach
- When reaching from the bank, lie down to avoid being pulled onto the ice
- If you cannot reach them, slide something which floats, such as a plastic bottle or football, across the ice for them to hold onto to stay afloat whilst help is on the way
- If the casualty is too far away, do not attempt to rescue them. Wait for the emergency services while calming and reassuring the casualty

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety>

[Winter water safety | Staying safe on our canals | Canal & River Trust \(canalrivertrust.org.uk\)](#)

Mental Health First Aid - Poynton

For parents and carers
of young people aged 11-18.

**Saturday 20th and 27th January,
9am-5pm,
at Poynton Civic Hall.**

For all enquiries or to book a place, email:

parenting@justdropin.co.uk





Timid to Tiger Together



Timid to Tiger Together is back!

Running for 8 weeks on a Wednesday afternoon,
from 31st Jan - 27th March, 4:30pm-6pm,
at Poynton Community Centre, 107 Park Lane, Poynton, SK12
1RB.

(No session during half-term)

A course designed to support families with children aged 8-11 years who are struggling to manage anxiety. This 8 week program offers parent training which aims to help you develop a clear, calm and consistent parenting style, plus a children's group for your young person to meet other children, learn about anxiety, ways of expressing themselves and thinking positively.

To find out more information, please email
parenting@justdropin.co.uk or ring 01625 665079

Please note, this course is only available to families who live within the borough of Macclesfield (including Knutsford, Wilmslow & Poynton)

COMMUNITY CONNECT

Come and find out about local charities who support and improve the lives of children, young people and adults with a learning disability or autism, their parents and carers.



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WEDNESDAY 24TH JANUARY

POYNTON CIVIC HALL

FIRST SESSION:
2PM - 4PM

SECOND SESSION:
6 - 7.30PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SESSION PLEASE EMAIL

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