

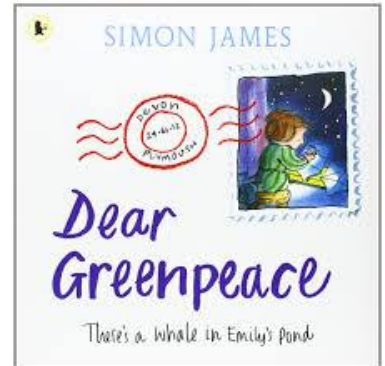
YEAR ONE Newsletter

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

English

The children recapped all of the amazing facts they learnt about Blue Whales and wrote their information under different subheadings. Next, we read a book called 'Dear Greenpeace' by Simon James, about a little girl who writes to Greenpeace, convinced that she has a blue whale in her pond. We imagined that we found a Blue Whale in the stream at Woodland learning and the children wrote letters, persuading Greenpeace that we have a Blue Whale in our stream based on all of the facts they know about them.



Maths

In maths this week, we began learning about telling the time on an analogue clock to o'clock and half past. The children did really well and we will continue to revisit telling the time next term. The trickiest part is understanding the difference between the hour hand and the minute hand. Here are a few links to some telling the time games that the children can try at home:

<https://firstlook.educationcity.com/content/Activity/index/25812>

<https://wordwall.net/resource/363099/maths/oclock-and-half-past>

Geography

We recapped our learning about the countries of the United Kingdom and focused our learning on the capital cities. This week, we learnt about the different buildings, places and people who live in London. The children enjoyed sharing their own experiences of visiting London and the different types of transport you can use there.

Religious Education

We learnt about Shabbat, the Jewish day of rest. The children were amazed that Jewish families turn off all electrical devices such as televisions and computer games from Friday evening until Saturday evening and don't do any kind of work. We learnt how Jewish families spend time playing games together, eating meals and reflecting on their weeks. The children thought about what they would like to do if they had a day of rest every week.

Phonics

We revisited the 'ew' (chew), 'u-e' (cube) and 'aw' (claw) sounds in phonics this week.

Religious Education

This week in computing, we continued learning how to use Microsoft Word to type words and sentences. The children used Word to write sentences for a 'lost toy' poster. They have been great at getting familiar with the keyboards, using the space bar, delete and enter keys.

Woodland learning









We have our next woodland learning session on Tuesday 20th May. The children can come to school wearing their woodland learning clothes.

School trip

We are all very excited for our school trip on Monday 19th May! The children will arrive at school at the usual time, wearing their school uniform. Just a reminder that the children will need to bring a packed lunch in a plastic bag.

Home learning

Below are some new real and alien words for your child to have a try at reading. I have not sent out new spellings for this week as we have a busy week next week and I imagine the children will be very tired after the school trip on Monday!

shin		dentist	
gang		starling	
week		day	
hooks		slide	
tord		fape	
thazz		jound	
blan		stroft	
tox		terg	

Hope you have a lovely weekend!
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Glennon