











Well the theme of this week's newsletter is 'Go For Gold!'

On Tuesday and Wednesday our wonderful Year 1-Year 6 pupils performed their production **Go For Gold**. I am sure any of you that came to watch will agree the children were fabulous! Their acting, singing and dancing were superb and the show was a huge success. A massive thank you to all of you at home for supporting by helping learn lines, song lyrics, provide costumes and for buying tickets to come and watch. Your encouragement in the audience was brilliant and really spurred the children on. Also a huge thanks to all of the staff and volunteers that gave up their own time to create props and costumes, sell tickets, assist with rehearsals and shows plus help move the stage. We really couldn't do it without all of this help and support. Well done children for a truly outstanding performance!

On Tuesday we had a visit from Sam Hoban in the Ethnic Minority Achievement Team at Lancashire County Council. Sam came to assess school for two strands of the Lancashire Equality Mark. You may remember that as a school we have been working on equality and diversity the past few years and already have four strands of the Lancashire Equality Mark. During her visit Sam talked to governors, staff and pupils about our work this year on Sex Equality and Sexual Orientation Equality. The children told Sam all about our 'Same Love, Different Families' project as well as our Aspirations' Week as well as their PSHE work and Collective Worship linked to these areas. I am pleased to announce that after Sam's visit we were awarded these final strands of the equality mark and have now been recognised as a **Lancashire Equality Mark school**. This week we also found out that we have been awarded the **Gold Level School Games Mark!** This is in recognition of all the work we do in PE, wider competitions with other schools and promoting active times throughout the school day. The evidence submitted has been verified and we are thrilled to have been recognised in this way. It is the first time we have achieved the Gold Level of this award.

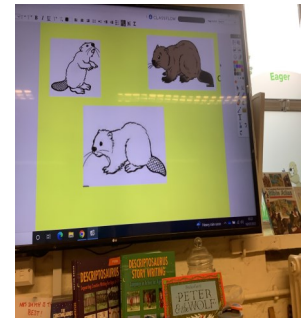
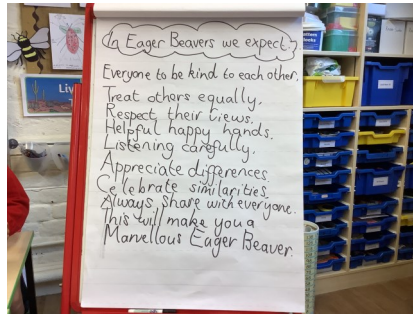
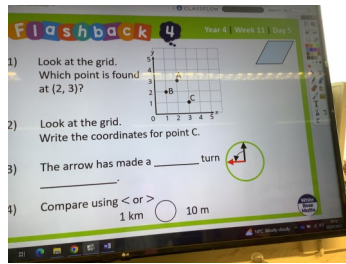
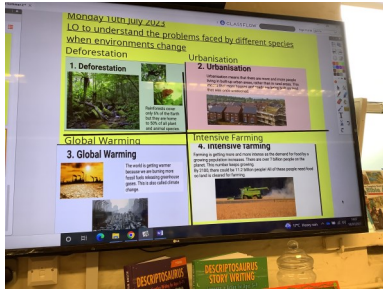
Throughout the week all of our children have enjoyed moving up to their new classes and welcoming new classmates. I have popped in and out of classrooms and it is amazing how at home everyone looks already. This week of transition, in addition to visits that the children have already had to classrooms earlier in the term, really do make a huge difference to how well the children settle back in, in September. We are also lucky with our tight knit team that all of our pupils are well known by adults across school already, which also aids this transition. We know it is very unusual to dedicate so much time to transition as most schools only put aside an afternoon but we feel this is such a valuable use of time so that all the children hit the ground running after summer.

Have a fabulous weekend everyone.
Miss Clark

	Ladybirds & Butterflies		Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
	Serena Livesley		Harriet Hitchlock		Sammy Mitchell		All of Wise Owls	
Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls			
All of Butterflies 	Oliver Forster 	Harriet Davidson 	Noemi Livesley 	Orrin Ainscow 	All of Wise Owls 	All of Wise Owls 		

OUR BUSY SCHOOL WEEK

A really successful transition week was held in school this past week with children moving up to sample their next year group each morning.



Our amazing thespians, please look out for a further selection of photos on our website



CHURCH NEWS



St James' Church, Westhead

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Community Praise on Zoom

DIARY DATES

- Monday 17th July year 6 treat day on field
- Tuesday 18th July PTA disco
- Thursday 20th July Helpers' Thank You
- Friday 21st July school finishes at 2 p.m.

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