

NEWSLETTER

5 January 2018

This week at Fair Furlong

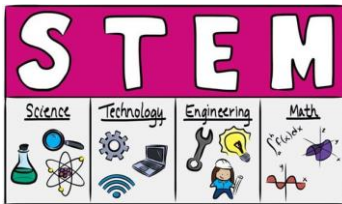


Happy New Year!

Happy New Year and welcome back after the Christmas break, we hope you all had an enjoyable and restful time. It has been great to welcome back the children this week, they have been raring to go, super hardworking and ready to learn. It is great to have such a brilliant start to term with children arriving on time and looking super smart in their uniforms. Thank you to all the families that have remembered to bring PE kits in already and just a reminder that they should have these in school every day and they will be sent home again at the end of term.

We are all looking forward to the exciting term ahead.

Mrs Lang



Our Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths days this week - The whole school has had an exciting problem to solve since coming back from the Christmas holidays - building a mode of transport for a minion! We set the children the problem of helping minions get from their land to Fair Furlong Primary School. Phase 1 were given the task of making a mode of transport that carried the minions over water; phase 2 had to navigate over land and phase 3 designed an air craft.



First the children were given their brief then set to work researching existing modes of transports. Once this information was gathered they began to test which materials would be best suited for their model.



Then children began to use their knowledge of products and testing to design their own mode of transport. After the design process was finished they built their model. Here are some examples!

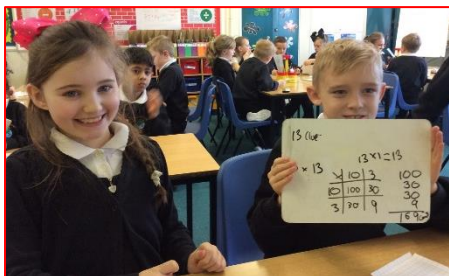
Finally, on Friday their vehicles were put to the test. Phase 1 tested their models on water, phase 2 on different surfaces and phase 3 sent parachutes, rockets and planes through the air.

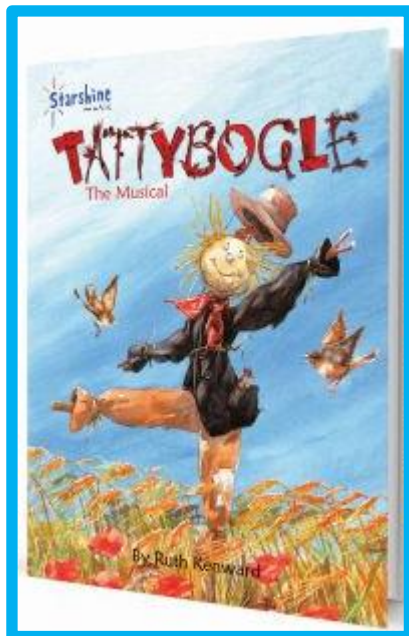
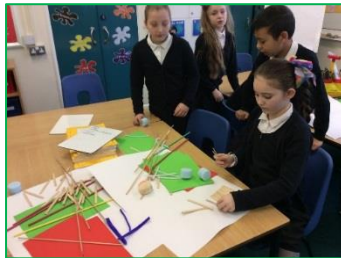


Over these three exciting days the children explored and applied their learning in maths and computing. The children were able to challenge their mathematical thinking when measuring how far their vehicle travelled and applying this to problem solving. An important part of the engineering process is computing so we exposed the children to the exiting world of coding. Children used beebots to navigate their way from minion land to our school or planned their route on a map using a detailed algorithm.



The three days allowed children to become creative, innovative engineers and they got thoroughly immersed in the design process. What an exciting start to term 3!





Year 2/3 Performance next term is 'Tattybogle'

'The scarecrow has a head full of straw and cheerful thoughts. The rain is his music, the birds and animals his friends and the wind is his dancing partner. Nothing gets him down; he loves everything - even the crows!

Then one day a big storm brews up with strong winds and howling gales and disaster threatens.....'

The performances are on Tuesday 13th March at 9.00am and Wednesday 14th March at 5.00pm.

Tickets will be available from the school office from Monday 19th Feb. There will be 2 per family available initially and then more if they are available.

Fish Finger Thursday! - Thursday 18 January a special fish finger lunch. Every child who has a dinner will be entered in our raffle to have the chance to win a £10 Amazon voucher. We always try and promote school lunches but it is extremely important that on this particular day the uptake of school lunches is high as it forms a significant part of our school funding.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS started this week but a few children who have signed for place did not attend their club. Please remember that if your child does not attend for 2 weeks in a row with no valid reason their place will go to children on the reserve list.

Menu for the week beginning 8 January 2018 - Week 3:

Monday:	BBQ chicken pizza & wedges : Cheese & tomato pizza Salad bar
Tuesday:	Gammon & roast potatoes : Cheese & tomato pinwheel
Wednesday:	Meatballs in tomato sauce : Jacket potato, cheese & beans : Salad bar
Thursday:	Chicken & roast potatoes : Red pepper frittata
Friday:	Fish fingers & chips : Cheese & tomato pizza

LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT



JOB VACANCY FOR LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT - We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Assistant at Fair Furlong. This role involves interacting with and supervising pupils from Reception to Year 6 in both the dining areas and playground. If you would like to join our team for an hour a day, from 12.30pm until 1.30pm please ring 01173772181, or send us an

email fair.furlong.p@bristol-schools.uk, or pop into the school office in person, where someone will be happy to help you.



Merit awards awarded for outstanding achievement throughout this week:

Enthusiasm: Thomas Martin; Kourtney Elliott; Joshua Trotter; Blake Bayly

Challenge: Ben Jacobs; Riley Slane; Heaven-Leah Young; Isabella Webber

Respect: Nicolas Osman

Learning Together: McKenzie Smith-Chivers; Louis Bush; Destiny Thompson; Abbie Collingbourne; Jesse Hoare; Olivia Leaman

Trust: Grace Brown

Attendance -

KS1 Position	Class	% Attendance	KS2 Position	Class	% Attendance
1 st	Nigella	98.9%	1 st	Cinnamon	100%
2 nd	Parsley	94.4%	2 nd	Thyme	97.8%
2 nd	Urfa	94.4%	3 rd	Basil	97.7%
4 th	Juniper	93.3%	4 th	Nutmeg	96.8%
5 th	Fennel	92.2%	5 th	Star Anise	96.7%
6 th	Sage	92%	6 th	Black Pepper	93.3%
			7 th	Hibiscus	92.9%
			8 th	Sorrel	92.4%

Attendance	Comment
99% - 100%	Outstanding
97% - 98%	Excellent
95% - 96%	Great (School attendance target is 95%)
93% - 94%	Satisfactory
Less than 93%	Must do better

IMPORTANT!!!! Applications for Reception 2018 - deadline for applications is 15th January 2018 - Please make sure you complete an online application. If you require help the school office are available at any time. www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions



AWARDS: Spelling Badges: Maths Badges: Blake Bayley; Chloe Daskiewicz-Saunders; Emmy White Bronze Awards: Kaylee Beard; Kiera Pullin; Kieran Harding Lunchtime Legends Year 1 Fennel Golden Good Manners Table Kyle Moore; Lexi Mai Patchett; Kaleb Barnes; Brooke Delaney; Lily May Anstey



Letters Home this week:

Lunchtime Assistant Job Vacancy; Fish Finger Thursday



We are very sorry but for the health & safety of all of our staff, children and visitors we cannot allow animals of any kind on the school premises, even if they are on a lead or being carried. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Healthy Teeth - <http://healthyteethhealthykids.org> - Have a look at this website which aims to help your child realise the importance of looking after their teeth and cleaning them daily. **Note:** when your child starts to develop teeth they should attend a dental appointment to ensure healthy growth.



Solar Panel update: To date they have produced 48,655kw of electricity, this is enough to run 7 school computers for 9,731 hours, or 405 days!!

Dates for your Diary:

Term 3

Monday 8 January	Y6 Sorrel class to Slimbridge
Wednesday 10 January	Y6 Cinnamon to Slimbridge
Friday 12 January	Black Pepper class assembly : 10.45am
Thursday 18 January	Fish Finger Thursday
Friday 19 January	Juniper class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 26 January	Sage class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 2 February	Fennel class assembly : 10.45am
Friday 9 February	End of term 3

Term 4

Monday 19 February	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 28 Feb -3 March	Book Days
Tuesday 6 March	HERB class Parents' Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Wednesday 7 March	Parents' Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 8 March	Parents' Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Tuesday 13 March	Y2/3 Performance 9.00am
Wednesday 14 March	Y2/3 Performance 5.00pm
Wednesday 21-23 March	Y3 Barton Camp
Friday 23 March	End of term 4

Term 5

Monday 9 April	Term 5 begins
Monday 9 April	Art Day
Monday 14-18 May	Y6 SATs week
Friday 25 May	End of term 5

Term 6

Monday 4 June	Term 6 begins
Monday 4-8 June	Healthy & Safe week
Friday 8 June	Y6 Life Skills, Create Centre
Monday 2 July	Phase 3 Sports Morning
Tuesday 3 July	Phase 2 Sports Morning
Wednesday 4 July	Phase 1 Sports Morning
Tuesday 10 July	Phase 3 Performance, 9.00am
Wednesday 11 July	Phase 3 Performance, 5.00pm
Tuesday 17 July	Y6 Leavers Evening
Friday 20 July	Children's last day
Monday 23 & Tuesday 24	Inset Days

Inset days remaining for school year 17/18

Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 July Friday 20 July last day of term