



Naseby Newsletter of Spring Term 1

End

What a fantastic last week of it has been of this half term! We have enjoyed taking part in Children's Mental Health Week run by Place2Be. Each class have been engaging in discussion and exploring a range of practical and physical activities to celebrate this year's theme of 'let's connect'. The theme asks children to think about the connections in their lives and their importance to their wellbeing. Click here for a link to some great resources for families on Children's Mental Health; [Families - Children's Mental Health Week \(childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk\)](https://childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk).

We also took part in Mental Health Champion workshops on Thursday - see below for details.

What a wonderful way to end this half term with a celebration of Poetry by the children for our Naseby Village Visitors, parents and families. We dressed in red with the theme for the day being 'Love' as we near Valentine's Day and wanted to celebrate our vision of 'Let all that you do, be done in love'. The children sang 'All you need is Love' by The Beatles & 'This Little light of mine' beautifully, this morning. We were treated to some wonderful poems the children read aloud, which they had written and there

were some super performances to go with them! Thank you to all those who attended, to Verity from the NSA for co-ordinating the event and to Pam & Verity for their time spent reading through & reviewing the poems. Each class was presented with a certificate to celebrate their wonderful writing. Well done children - again, you made us all very proud!

We enjoyed a delicious cake sale held by the NSA after school. Thank you to everyone who bake such wonderful cakes and thank you to all those who supported the cake sale. What a perfect way to end the term!

We are delighted to inform you that we had not one, but two people who were successful in the post of clerical assistant at Naseby C of E, which they will be carrying out as part of a job share which start in the first few weeks of next term.

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs. Linyard, who will be leaving us February 24th. In the short time Mrs. Linyard has been with us, she has made a big impact in each class - as well as train to be a Higher Level Teaching Assistant. We are proud to have been part of her professional journey and wish her well in her new Teaching Assistant role at Guilsborough Secondary Academy. Plans are already in place regarding the recruitment process. Despite schools reducing Teaching Assistant roles, we are proud that Naseby continue to provide excellent levels of staffing that have continued to build over the last couple of years.

The children who achieved a 'Headteacher's Award' this term, enjoyed 'Cookies with Mrs. Cook' on Friday afternoon. We had a wonderful time 'connecting' with one another - which seemed the perfect way to end this half term and Mental Health Week.

I hope you all have a lovely half term.

Mrs. Cook



Children's Mental Health Week

As part of Children's Mental Health Week, we organised workshops by 'OneGoal', for children in Busy Badgers & Wise Wolves Class to become 'Mental Health Champions'. Both classes enjoyed and 1/2 day workshop by a specialist in Mental Health Teacher. The fun and practical workshops were led by Ashlee, on how to stay mentally healthy and they were taught skills & equipped with tools to be more resilient. We are looking forward to welcoming back the 'Mental Health Champion' Team in March when they will be working with Fantastic Fox Cubs as well as doing an advanced course for Naseby pupils who will be Mental Health Champion Ambassadors. On the same day, there will be a free parent workshop on Children's Mental Health. More details to follow.





Fantastic Fox Cubs



The Fantastic Fox Cubs have had a wonderful start back at school in 2023 this term. They have thoroughly enjoyed our topic 'Let's Explore' and were very enthusiastic to learn about the seven continents and names of the world's oceans. Our planning for this term was very much informed by the children's interests and areas of the earth that they wanted to explore and learn about. The main landscapes we focused on were the Arctic, under the sea, the jungle, and the desert. The children all contributed some wonderful vocabulary to create class poems about each area of exploration.

During maths lessons, year 1 consolidated their understanding of the place value of numbers to 20, before starting to work on addition and subtraction. The reception children looked at numbers 6, 7, and 8, as well as doing work on length, mass and capacity. It was really lovely to see the children from both year groups taking an interest in what each other was learning and even opting to join in with some maths games and sessions together.

In Science, we have been exploring everyday materials. I was very impressed with the children's ability to name and identify the materials that everyday objects are made from. They had opportunities to partake in group investigations, testing materials to discover more about the properties of each.

The highlights from this term include the 'Cube competition' that the year 1 children took part in at Benham sports arena. Despite competing against older children, they rose to the challenge incredibly

well and were a real credit to the school. The class also enjoyed taking part in number day activities to raise money for the NSPCC.

We look forward to learning all about the work of some amazing artists in our new topic next term.



The Desert

Dusty, dark, cold nights
Every animal looks for water
Spiky cacti in the burning sun
Extremely itchy, scratchy sand
Rocky hills with wavy wiggly patterns
Tundra that is dry and harsh

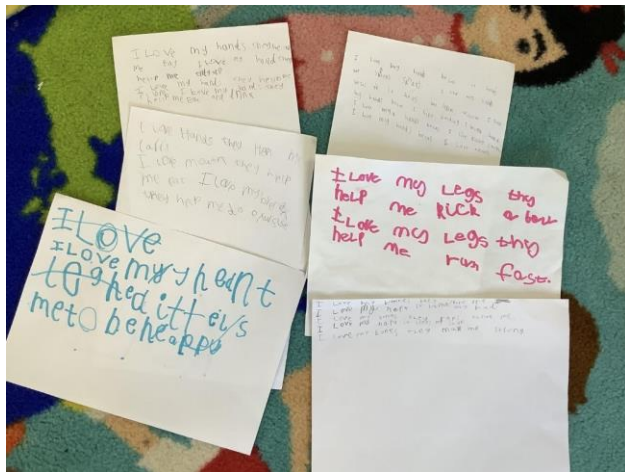
By Fox Cubs

The Jungle

Jaguars pouncing in the beautiful jungle
Up in the green trees, monkeys swing and shriek
Noisy animals everywhere!
Growling, stripy tigers and spotty leopards prowl
Long, hanging vines and wet, soggy leaves
Elephants stomping, making deep footprints in the jungle

By Fox Cubs





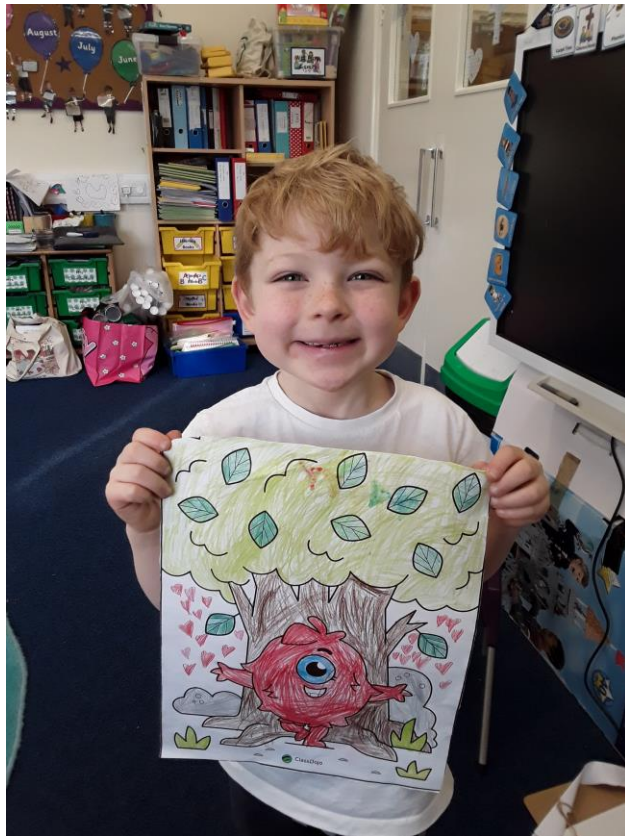
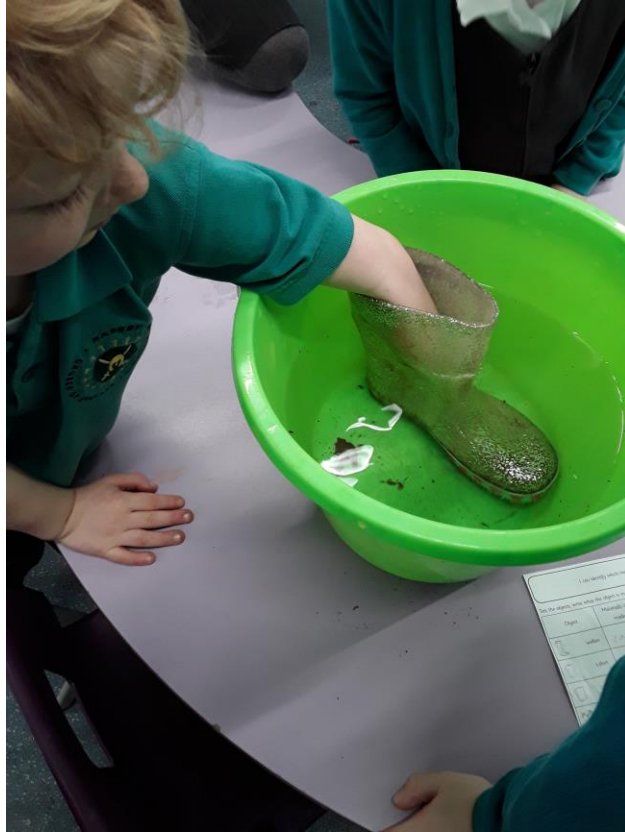






Amazing and scary
Reflecting, shiny water
Cold, shimmering snow
Turquoise, dark sky
Incredible, icy mountains
Cool Northern Lights
Composed by Fox Cubs





Busy Badgers



This term we have had a fantastic time learning about the Anglo-Saxons and how they used to live. We particularly enjoyed creating our own computer quizzes all about their gods and goddesses. Do you know that some of the names of the week are names after their gods?

In addition to this, during our science lesson we have been studying light and investigated what materials are best suited to reflect light. Then in our RE lesson we have been researching the different events during the Holy week and why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'. Alongside all these wonderful lessons we've really been enjoying our music lesson and learning how to write our own music.

On number day, we got to all dress up as numbers, then complete a whole day of maths games and challenges to us free Buddy. Finally, this Friday we had the pleasure of sharing our love poems with some parents and people from the Naseby community. Overall this term has been full of opportunities for us to learn, grow and have fun!





Wise Wolves



This term Wise Wolves have enjoyed learning all about the Shang Dynasty. We discovered the ways in which their society was organised, key figures in that period of time and the ways in which their society differs to ours. To link with this, we read 'The Willow Pattern Story' and wrote beautiful, emotive diary entries and designed our own blue and white pattern plate to tell a story.

In science, we enjoyed learning all about forces. We planned, carried out and evaluated an experiment showing the impact of air resistance. In RE we have learnt about how religions use the symbolism of 'light and dark' to represent 'good and bad' and how this used to support the worshippers of those religions.

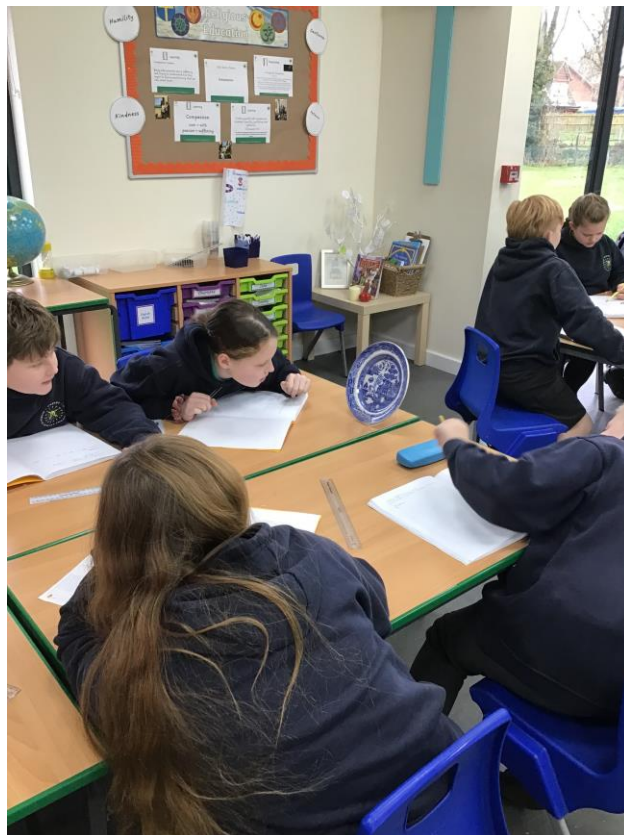
We also enjoyed Bikeability this term, where we learned how to keep our bikes safe to ride and how to keep ourselves safe whilst riding on the roads.

We ended the term with creating 'I am' posters in PSHE with Mrs Linyard to celebrate the wonderful ways in which we are all unique.











Key dates for 2023

Spring Term;

10th February; Last day of term

20th February; First day of term

1st March; Potential Strike day - but school will remain open with collapsed curriculum

2nd March; World Book day

3rd March; Fairtrade Friday

6th - 10th March; National Children's Mental Health Week

15th & 16th March; Potential Strike day - but school will remain open with collapsed curriculum

17th March; Comic Relief

20th March; World Poetry day

27th March; Parent's Progress summary reports sent out

31st March; Easter Service

Summer Term;

May; KS1 Testing Period

8th - 11th May; KS2 SATs

12th - 16th June; Phonics Screening check test for Year 1 and Multiplication Check test for Year 4

27th - 29th June; Year 5/6 Residential

10th July; Sports Day

11th July; Sports day reserve

18th July; Wise Wolves Performance 5pm

19th July; Wise Wolves Performance 2pm

Naseby School Association Update

Updates

Thank you to everyone who took the time make cakes and to those who came along to support the Cake Sale after school on Friday.



2023-02-Fairy Tale Half Term Poster

Fairy Tale Half Term @ Brixworth Library

drop-in
free or 50p (donation)

| Activity | Ages | Date | Time |
|-------------------------------|------|------------|-------------|
| Big Bad Wolf Challenge | 0-12 | Sat 11 Feb | 11:00-13:00 |
| Unicorn Bookmark Craft | 0-12 | Mon 13 Feb | 12:00-16:00 |
| Little Mermaid Craft | 0-12 | Tue 14 Feb | 12:00-16:00 |
| Explore a Story - mermaids | 0-5 | Tue 14 Feb | 14:00-14:30 |
| Bubble Bubble Pop Workshop | 3-12 | Tue 14 Feb | 15:00-16:00 |
| Rhyme Time | 0-5 | Wed 15 Feb | 10:00-10:30 |
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| Crown and Wand Craft | 0-12 | Wed 15 Feb | 12:00-16:00 |
| Under Ones Fun - bubbles | 0-1 | Thu 16 Feb | 10:30-12:00 |
| Frog Prince Fly Catcher Craft | 0-12 | Thu 16 Feb | 12:00-16:00 |
| Pre-School Play | 0-5 | Fri 17 Feb | 10:00-11:00 |
| Prince Charming Sword Craft | 0-12 | Fri 17 Feb | 12:00-16:00 |
| Gingerbread Decorating | 0-12 | Sat 18 Feb | 11:00-13:00 |



Bubble Workshop bookings

Booking is essential for Tuesday's Bubble Workshop. Scan the QR code or visit www.eventbrite.co.uk and search for: Brixworth Library.



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