

HEADTEACHER INTRODUCTION

Happy Friday!

The Fusion Academy and Dorothy Goodman School are both holding their sports days today. This morning is a competition across the schools where students complete different sporting activities to earn points. This afternoon we are running traditional races such as an egg and spoon race, a sack race and a relay.

A reminder about our end of term events:

Online Celebration Evening - Monday 5th July

Fusion Fest – Thursday 8th July

We emailed out details of these events to parents last week. Please complete the Google forms (linked in the email) by Monday so that we know who is coming.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, our transition days will be going ahead on 1st and 2nd July. We have put in place an additional risk assessment to keep everyone safe on these days. The additional control measures affecting you are:

- To avoid having large numbers of students together in the hall, lunch on 1 and 2 July will be an outside picnic. School dinners will still be available but this will be in the form of a 'picnic bag'.
- Your child may like to bring in a blanket to sit on for their picnic.
- We are advising that students in year 6 or above take a lateral flow test on the morning of 1st July, before coming to school. If you have not yet consented to this for your child and would be happy for them to do this, please contact the office.
- New students will have a slightly different start and finish time on the transition days (9:30 – 3:00) to avoid crowds at the main entrance.

Please get in touch if you have any questions.

Have a good weekend,

Sarah



CURIOSITY

This week we started off by learning about Stonehenge in Science. It was fascinating to find out that it is nearly 5000 years old. We also learned about how the stones are lined up with great precision so you can see the sunrise on Midsummer's Day which is 21st June - the day we were learning about it! You can also see the sunset on Midwinter's Day at the opposite side of the circle. No one really knows how the stones got to the South of England but it is believed that some of them came all the way from the Preseli Hills in Wales. How on earth did they manage that?!



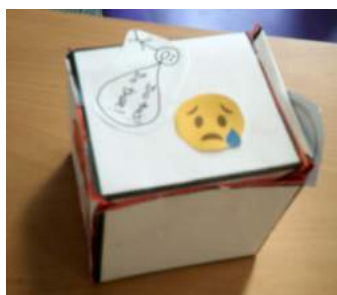
Here is a picture of Tommy's model of Stonehenge.

In English, we have been reading *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes. We made models of him, using recycling:

In P.E, we have been playing Dodge Ball and Ruby has been practising her Basketball skills:



We also made Emotion Cubes in Wellbeing to help us think and talk about how we are feeling:



EXPLORER

A huge highlight of this week has been finally clearing a section of the forest school to create a beautiful seating and campfire area. The class has put in a phenomenal effort to make this a usable space.

Before:



After:



This term, we've been learning all about money and finances. Our class reward system has given pupils an opportunity to earn their own money. This week, we organised visits to the local shop to spend their hard earned cash! All pupils showed excellent manners and were very polite.



Grant also bought in some fresh honey that his neighbour had just collected from his hive. It was fascinating to learn about bees and how they create honey, but it was even better trying the produce!

Jan planned a sensational Egyptian escape room that was incredibly challenging and rewarding. We also painted our clay sarcophaguses to end our Egyptian unit.



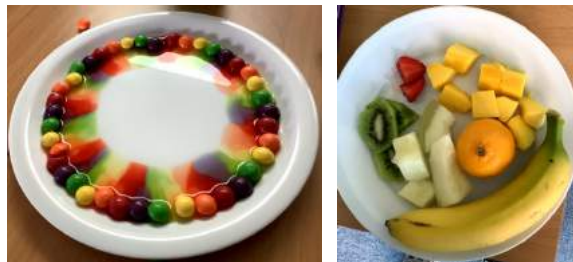
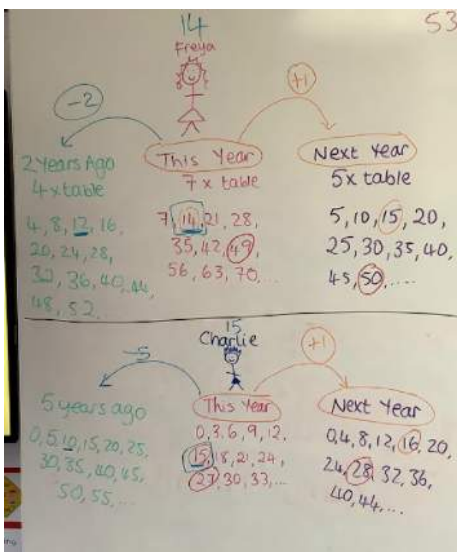
We've also had lots of fun in our morning starters with interactive games, such as stay in the box where you have to complete team challenges in a small box and an old favourite; What's the time Mr Wolf!

ROSETTA

We've had such a lovely week this week with Ethan and Jacob being back in! We've done lots of group activities in our lessons and had lots of fun learning. For our Social Thinking lesson, we observed teams (animals and people) "following a plan" and discussed times when we (or others) have not followed the plan and what happened. We then made an obstacle course in our classroom and guided a blindfolded person around without bumping into things or getting hurt - it was even more fun when the boys asked the blindfolded person to jump on the trampoline!



We enjoyed talking and learning about all things Pride for Pride Month this month and worked on our flag knowledge. We made LGBTQ+ bracelets to show us being allies. On Wednesday, we made some flags for Sports Day, Jacob made flags with the Goodness Gang on, Ethan made Pride/ Rainbow flags, Theo made a flag using one of his colour mix paints and wrote FUSION on it and Callum made Boxford flags (Boxford is the country he has made out of boxes - picture below). It was so lovely to see all of the creativeness!



We also did some really tricky maths work on multiples - I (Katie) was a bit mean and gave the class some really worded questions, but they worked through them fantastically well and enjoyed the use of the white board to help.

PIONEER

This week in DT, we have been continuing with our 'ugly monsters' project, choosing what colour material and thread we want to use and making a start on creating our little characters. Here we have Owen's creation - "ghost man".



During our Personal Development lessons, we have continued learning more about autism. It is great to see the students gaining a better understanding of how it affects them personally, and also how it can affect others. We have enjoyed learning about and celebrating our differences.



In Science, we have been learning about energy transfer and the effect of heat on liquids and gases. Pioneer students showed great focus during our experiment in the Science lab, testing out how ice cold water and hot water had an effect on the gas inside a syringe.

This week's Cooking lesson was homemade 'pop pies'. We made our own pastry and rolled it out before adding our crushed fruit, honey and cornflour mix and making them into little parcels. After cooking them in the oven, we added icing and sprinkles on top - yummy!



On Friday, everybody did an amazing job joining in with our Sports Day event. Students showed off their skills in a variety of activities that tested their strength, balance, coordination, agility and accuracy. This included obstacle courses, races, and throwing & batting challenges. Overall, Pioneer class got an amazing 89 points. 33 of those points were earned by our top competitor, Sol. What a great effort. Well done everyone!



OTHER NEWS

The Fusion Academy Reward Tickets

We had our 100 ticket 'afternoon of fun' last week and it was amazing!



School Council are helping to choose what our next reward will be.

Tickets have been earned this week by:

Tommy	Theo	Callum	Ethan
Jacob	Josh	Harriet	Sol

Well Done!

Overall Ticket Total = 14



Diary Dates

- ★ Wednesday 30th June after school - 'Meet the Teacher' with Hilary
- ★ Thursday 1st July and Friday 2nd July - Whole school transition days
- ★ Monday 5th July 4:00 - 5:30 - Celebration evening for current families **ONLINE**
- ★ Thursday 8th July 11:00 - 2:00 - 'FUSION FEST' **for current families only**

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