

Paradise Primary

In the pursuit of excellence

Dear Respected Parents:
Assalamu alaikum and welcome to our
April 2019 Newsletter.

Paradise School wins Imagination Gaming Inter-school Tournament

Paradise participated in an Inter-school tournament where some KS2 children competed playing educational games using logic and creativity with children from Westmoor, Boothroyd, Carlton, Thornhill, Eastborough and St. Paulinus Primary Schools. It was an excellent experience for our children and a brilliant day full of mind boggling puzzles, problem solving and games. Paradise children earned the most points, winning the overall tournament! Congratulations to the participating children who were elated to win the trophy for the school.



Schools Foodstival 2019



Some of our Year 2&3 children spent an informative day at the inaugural Schools foodstival event held at Longcausway Church Community Room in Dewsbury. They engaged in various activities including learning more about food and healthy choices, food of different cultures, food poverty and how donating to food banks can help make a difference. The children particularly enjoyed making and tasting the healthy treats! It was a great opportunity to work and interact with children from other schools as well as volunteers from around our local community including Tesco, Fusion Housing, Batley library and Batley bulldogs who made it a memorable and exciting session for our children.



As part of our aim to become a Fairtrade school we held a Fairtrade bake sale to give the children an opportunity to explore Fairtrade products. The children had to bake using fair trade products which they then sold in school. The children brought in some lovely baked creations and enjoyed buying various things. Overall the event was a huge success and we raised £388. Jzk to all the parents, children and staff who contributed.



Poetry Patrol winners — Year 3's entered a 'Poetry Patrol' competition where they had an opportunity to stretch their creative writing skills and capture their imagination and thoughts through poetic expression. To the delight of the children and apas, 17 poems got selected to be compiled and published which will be distributed in libraries and schools across the UK. Well done to all the children who used their creative writing abilities to bring the poems to life! The children were excited to see their work in print, making it an inspiring and confidence boosting experience for all. Year 3's, Keep the ignited creative spirit burning brightly!

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National Story Telling Week

Long, long ago, in far away lands and beyond.... The very first way of communicating life experiences and feeding the imagination from one generation to the next was through the oral tradition of storytelling. It was an important aspect of learning and teaching others life, entertainment and passing of time.

Today we have TV, videos, radio and internet available for instantaneous educational and entertainment purposes. However, whilst celebrating National story telling week, paradise children appreciated how storytelling is still enriching lives everywhere and the person-to-person interaction is just as important today as it was in the past.

The children enjoyed immersing themselves in various storytelling activities. KS2 children visited the Early Years children and took over the class to entertain them with their web of stories. They were met with a very enthusiastic, engaged and captive audience and loved the experience of taking over as a story teller!



Barnfield Care home visit

Children from years 4,5,&6 spent an entertaining afternoon with the elderly residents of Barnfield Care Home. The residents had a great time and greatly appreciated the children's enthralling stories whilst tucking into the yummy refreshments served by the children.



Everyone at Paradise would like to wish the Year 2 & Year 6 all the best in their forthcoming SATs exam. We pray for your success!

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CROSS CURRICULAR DAYS

MULTI-FAITH

On Multi Faith Cross

Curricular day, the key message of Respect and Tolerance was enhanced through looking at the six main religions. Children explored the culture, beliefs, festivals and places of worship of each religion.

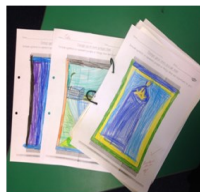
The children undertook various interesting activities to enhance their learning opportunities.

They looked at places of worship for the different religions by studying the similarities



ties and differences between Mosques, Churches, Synagogues, Temples, Gurdwara and Mandir and how we all pray.

Children enjoyed decorating their very own Prayer Mat and some children chose to design musallahs exactly like the ones they have at home.



The children enhanced their understanding about the festivals and traditions within various religions and then drew similarities and differences in comparison

to our Islamic festivals.

Whilst looking at the importance of food and traditions in different religions; children enjoyed designing a new sweet for a religious celebration.

The children learnt about the rights of neighbours in the three monotheistic religions, Islam; Christianity and Judaism. The children read the story of The Good Samaritan and understood the common theme of respecting neighbours. They also enjoyed making Thank You cards for a special neighbour.



STEM

STEM Cross Curricular day

provided a resourcesful platform to stimulate and support children to become confident individuals and celebrate all sciences, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and their importance and reliance in our everyday lives.

Children learnt the importance of Math Literacy and education which has been key to the development of our society. Math is the basis of almost all science and technology; without mathematics, we would not have buildings, cars, airplanes, TV or computers....

Throughout the day children engaged in various exciting activities such as the 'paper tower challenge' in which they had to build the tallest tower with only paper as their resource. They also made a paper cup (with only 1 sheet of paper) to hold water for at least 10 seconds. The toothpick challenge was fun where the children tried making as many triangles as possible with only 9 toothpicks.

Children explored Engineering and how it



impacts us in our daily lives. Some children enjoyed being engineers for the day and building different things out of Lego. Other children worked in teams to create a bridge strong

enough to carry the weight of a tomato tin! With great team-working and communication skills, children were able to build sound structures in many creative ways!

Whilst looking at Technology, children investigated different types of packaging and the materials which are used to package products. They examined which types of packaging are the most durable, eco-friendly and cost effective. They had the opportunity to test out this theory by packing some biscuits using foil, cling film, cardboard and glass jars and concluded that glass was the most 'durable' packaging.

Children looked into how STEM is used in baking. They honed their different mathematical skills whilst measuring ingredients, looked into the tech-



nology used in the process of baking and also the science behind how cakes and bread rise. The children really enjoyed making their own cupcakes and eating them at the end of the day!

Children researched well known inventors like Alexander Graham Bell, Steve Jobs and then in teams attempted to invent something that would be beneficial and useful. The children had great fun stretching their imagination to invent a 'Wardrobe' which would wash, dry and iron clothes, a flying car, a glow in the dark suitcase that can move on its own with fingerprint security!

Reception children tackled a group challenge based around the book 'Supertato' where they had to make a bridge using only 4 cups and 4 sticks for Supertato to cross the river,



make traps for the Evil Pea, help the Evil Pea stay afloat in the water using foil and make magnifying glasses to search for the Evil Pea. Excellent Fun!

The children thoroughly enjoyed the day, showcasing and expanding on their STEM knowledge!



British Science Week — During British Science Week, a variety of scientific activities were prepared for the children to take part in and enjoy different learning opportunities. Pupils enjoyed 'Rain clouds in a jar' activity which was designed to help pupils understand the formation of rain, how it impacts on our everyday lives and pondering on the wonders of our Almighty. Clouds which appear to float weightlessly can hold thousands of litres of water that all living things down on the ground greatly depend upon!

Children experimented with colour changing milk and enjoyed making slime by combining together different substances and creating something spectacular!

Children appreciated the majesty and magnificence of our Creator whilst learning about volcanoes. They had lots of fun creating a baking soda and vinegar explosion simulating a volcanic eruption.

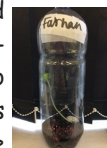


From Caterpillar to Butterfly - A miraculous metamorphosis Wonders of our Almighty....

During British Science Week, a few furry and wriggly caterpillars joined the excited Year 1 class. With great eagerness and patience, the children kept a watchful eye on them, monitoring their growth and metamorphosis. The long awaited day arrived and the year 1's were fascinated and overjoyed to observe them emerge from their cocoons as beautiful fluttering butterflies!



Biomes - Year 6 have been learning about biomes and researched David Latimer who created his own biome in a bottle which turned out to be the biggest in the world. Year 6 tried to replicate this by creating their own biome, a temperate deciduous forest in a bottle.



Hi5 Netball - Yr5/6

On Tuesday 26th February our Netball team attended the Hi5 Netball competition at Batley Sports Centre. The children competed against seven other schools and performed brilliantly throughout. Everyone who competed tried really hard and there were some nail-biting finishes! Well done team!



Sports Festival

-Some children from Year4/5/6 had the opportunity to attend Batley Sports Centre to participate in a variety of Athletic and Multi-Skills activities. They thoroughly enjoyed attempting some new activities like Boccia and Squash. Well done to all the children who attended.



Hockey - Yr6

- On Monday 11th March our Hockey team went to Newsome High School to compete with a number of schools for the Quicksticks Hockey Tournament. Despite the cold weather conditions the team played extremely well and showed great teamwork throughout all the matches. Well done Team!



Volleyball - KS2

- On the 21st March a team of 6 went to Batley Sports Centre to play sitting volleyball. The children thoroughly enjoyed trying out the game and gained a lot of respect for the sporting abilities of athletes with a movement impairment.



Bikeability

— Year 6's enjoyed the Bikeability Cycle course run at the school which gave them an excellent opportunity to gain hands on cycling experience as well as boost their confidence by mastering new skills. They received training on how to be safe on the road, how to turn left and right and how to anticipate and respond to hazards. The children were then challenged to practice their skills onto the main road. Well done to all the Year 6 cyclists who received their level 2 awards and certificates!



Balanceability

- Rec, Yr1 &2 participated in Balanceability, a 'learn-to-cycle' programme which taught the children the relevant skills of riding a pedal bike safely and with confidence. They enjoyed the fun activities scheduled to build confidence, spatial-awareness and dynamic balance skills enabling them to cycle without ever needing stabilisers.



Year 4's

had lots of fun in their English lesson producing and decorating their collages to mimic the style of Emily Gravett. They used tissue paper, sequins, glitter and feathers. A big Jzk to all the parents for their support with the resources. Well done to the children for producing amazing work!



A big Thank you to PC Luke and PC Carol for visiting Reception children and talking to them about keeping safe. They children had a great time participating in various fun activities and learning about Road safety and Stranger Danger.



Safer Internet Day helped children to reflect on using digital technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. This years focus was on [how consent works in an online context](#). Children were asked to think about how they ask, give, and receive consent online. They explored how the internet works, how information is shared and who owns the information that is shared on it. Children learned how they could actively take ownership of digital spaces and to empower themselves by taking control of their online lives and to feel that they can harness and use the positive power of the internet for good.



NURSERY

As part of the Spring and growing topic, Class 2 enjoyed looking at the different plants and flowers and learning their names at the garden centre at B&Q.



Class 1 children had great fun planting flowers and vegetables outdoors.



WORLD MATHS DAY

On World Maths Day, Paradise children joined schools around the world in the celebration of Mathematics. The whole school was buzzing, as it descended into a number crunching frenzy to win the Maths tournament. It was a very fierce competition which tested the children's mental calculation ability, speed and accuracy. It was a great fun filled day which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. A great big well done to the winning Team 'Democracy'.



World Down syndrome day

World Down Syndrome is a global awareness day to raise people's awareness of Down Syndrome. It is celebrated on the 21st day of the 3rd month, to signify the uniqueness of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome. Paradise children and staff celebrated World Down Syndrome Day by wearing crazy mismatched socks. There were lots of odd socks, brightly coloured socks, long socks, printed socks.....! Why crazy socks? Chromosomes are said to resemble the shape of socks. Wearing crazy, mismatched socks was a fun way of showing support to individuals with Down syndrome and encouraging conversations about diversity, inclusion and acceptance.



Trips...

TOLSON MUSEUM - Year 1's have been learning about changes over-time within our daily lives. At Tolson Museum, they had an opportunity to re-enact a school day from the 1900s to experience what school was like in the past.



To gain a better understanding; they enjoyed participating in various activities which reflected the changes in games, education and work.



Year 2's had a fun time exploring the six unique zones at Eureka; each filled with hundreds of interactive exhibits designed to inspire enquiring minds to find out about themselves and the world around them. A fun-filled and exciting day enjoyed by all!



Year 3's enjoyed exploring the facilities around National Coal learning many new exciting facts about the miners, the difficult lives they had and how children their age were made to work underground. The children reflected on their lives and appreciated the blessings that the Almighty has bestowed upon them. A great day out with lots of learning!



Year 4's visit to Magna Museum was fun-packed with lots of learning and discovering in relation to air, water, fire and earth and how it affects us in our every-day lives. From making rockets to watching fire tornados to spending hours playing with water activities, the children had a brilliant day!



Year 5's had an opportunity at Fired Art Design to get hands on and learn the art of pottery and clay making; one of the oldest and most widespread of decorative arts. They immensely enjoyed the experience of creating their own timeless pieces which were beautifully decorated.



Year 6's visited the Courthouse and Prison & Police Museums; where they thoroughly enjoyed dressing up as a defendant, clerk of court, magistrate, member of the jury, witness and court reporter and re-enacting a trial in a Georgian Courthouse. At the Prison & Police Museum, Year 6's participated in a role-play based on the story of notorious poachers and their arrest. A great day of insight into the past!



Reception children thoroughly enjoyed a day out at the Rainbow Factory where they were entertained by a story teller who took them on a creative adventure allowing their imagination to wander far and beyond! He told them a story from his special book and showed them the special quill. Lots of characters came and the children even had to warn the story teller by shouting and pointing. Some of the stories were a bit topsy turvy! An artist drew on the easel and the children copied the instructions by looking at what he was drawing. The children were excited to take a walk in the forest and look at different story setting and characters and also helped find the missing crystals from the treasure chest.

At the end the children told stories by exploring the different things that were in the tuft spots. There were ropes, binoculars, treasure, skeletons and many more things! It was exciting day out where children discovered the power of imagination!



World Book Day – On World book day, everyone at

Paradise had great fun celebrating reading and books. The importance of reading was emphasised through various activities giving children a better understanding of how reading is an integral part of our lives.

Children were reminded that the first aayah of the Quran revealed to our prophet (saw) was 'Iqra' - 'read' which remains to be the key message of the Quran. It enjoins reading to be fundamental to gain knowledge.

Drop everything and read

To enhance the reading culture in school and encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading, the whole school came together by dropping everything for 30 minutes and assembling in the hall to bury their heads in their favourite book. With the silence filling the hall, it was heartening to see children and staff absorbed in their reading. An inspirational experience and encouragement of becoming lifelong readers!



Buddying Young Writers...

As part of World Book day, the children had an opportunity to stimulate their creativity and let their imagination flow onto paper to create the most appealing stories for a writing competition. The children were very enthusiastic and Maashaa'Allah well done to the following winners; It was a hard decision to single out the winners as there were some exceptional pieces of writing demonstrating great imagination and creativity so well done to all the participants!

Bedtime Stories

World Book Day was lots of fun for the Reception Class who came to school in their pyjamas as part of their bedtime stories theme. They had a busy day making puppets, doing a word hunt, making books, playing word games, reading on the computer and much much more!



Rida girls performance

Paradise children thoroughly enjoyed a surprise visit from Yr 9 girls from Rida School who performed a play on their version of Snow white and the seven dwarfs. A big Thank you to the girls for a brilliant performance!



Reading Club

- This term we have started running a lunch time reading club for KS2 which has proven to be highly popular especially amongst the bookworms. It has been very heartening to see children losing themselves in their stories. We will starting reading club for KS1 as well after the holidays. Happy Reading!

