

December Newsletter

Well what a busy and unusual half term we have had. The children are amazing as always at adapting to changes thrown their way and the staff in equal measure! Thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times. We are trying our best to make things normal for the children and hope to celebrate Christmas in our fabulous Hasting Hill way. The children have been very busy over the last month, we have included some examples below. We hope you enjoy reading about them!

Year 5

Year 5 had great fun creating spooky Halloween science eruptions, as part of our work on Chemical Changes.

We also explored how to use Green Screen techniques to produce a Remembrance Day video, which you can watch on Facebook or on our school website.



Some of our Y5 children took part in Bikeability in November. This helped them to gain practical skills and an understanding of how to cycle on today's roads. Well done to those involved.



Key Stage 1 Christmas Events

Tuesday 8th December - Breakfast with Santa

Thursday 10th December - The Snowman themed afternoon: Watch 'The Snowman' movie, make melted snowman biscuits, snowman crafts

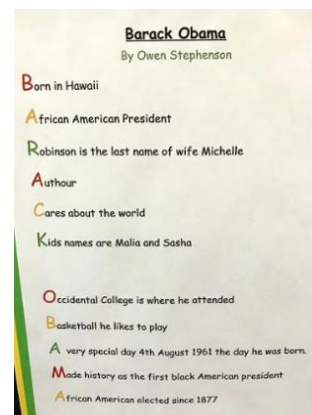
Monday 14th + Tuesday 15th December – Christmas crafts and bauble making

Thursday 17th December - Movie afternoon: Polar Express, PJs and hot chocolate

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Black History Month - Article 2 (non - discrimination) The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities.

In October the Rights Knights asked each class to celebrate a black hero. Here's some examples of our amazing learning!



A poem about Barack Obama by Owen Stephenson, Year 6

BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

As we started learning about black history month, we thought about significant black people these include Barack Obama and Rosa Parks. We choose to learn about a very important person, Nelson Mandela.

We learned all about Nelson Mandela's life and we discussed how things have changed over time. We thought of our British values and the importance of equality. We discussed whether during Nelson Mandela's time in prison if he was treat equality.

We used eggs to symbolise equality. We realised that even though they were different on the outside, they were the same on the inside.

Black History Month 13.10.20
October 2020

Martin Luther King Dream Cloud

Why Was MLK?

Y1/2 read about Martin Luther King and his role in the March on Washington. We talked about our hopes and dreams to make the world a better place for the future.

PIC-COLLAGES

Year 3 learned about Nelson Mandela. Year 1 and 2 learned about Martin Luther King.

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Year 4 learned about Claudia Jones – look at our incredible display!

Mary Seacole		BLACK HISTORY By Axel Bellfield
<p>Who was Mother Seacole? During the 19th century, Mary Seacole became famous for caring injured soldiers through the Crimean War.</p> <p>Mother Seacole, born as Mary Anne Grant in 1805 grew up in Kingston, Jamaica. As a child, she was lucky enough to travel to England twice, which was highly unusual for a black person at that time. Even at a young age, Mary practiced nursing on her dolls and pets.</p>	<p>This is Mary Seacole:</p> 	<p>After her husband died in 1831 Mary traveled to Panama to support her brother, who had run a hotel for gold miners.</p> <p>When the Crimean War broke out, Mary volunteered to treat injured soldiers, however as she was mixed race, she was not permitted. Instead, she used her own money to set up the British Hotel and tend to the needy.</p> <p>Following her death in 1881, she was sadly forgotten.</p> <p>Today Mother Seacole is remembered as a selfless saviour to hundreds of soldiers at their last hour. She was "an incredible woman and inspiring role model."</p>

Axel Bellfield's (Year 5) fascinating facts about Mary Seacole.

Anti Bullying Week (wc 16th November)

During Anti Bullying Week, the Rights Knights asked every class to explore the theme of bullying within their PSHE lessons.

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The articles explored during the week were: Article 2 - Non Discrimination, Article 12 - Respect for the views of the Child and Article 19 - Protection from violence, abuse and neglect.

Friday 11th December

Whole School Christmas Jumper Day



Year 1 will be recording Christmas songs and uploading them to the school website. Keep a lookout!

Year 2 will be recording scenes from The Christmas Nativity. DVD's will be available to buy for £2.

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 9th December will be the Christmas Lunch. If your child is on Packed Lunches and would like a Christmas Lunch please contact the school office. The Christmas Lunch will be £2.

Healthy Packed Lunches

Just a reminder that all Packed Lunches should include healthy food with water. No sweets etc or fizzy drinks.