



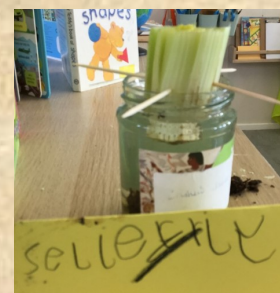
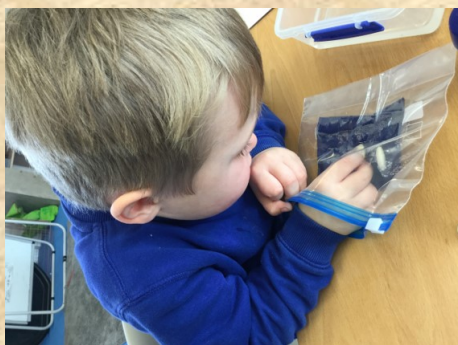
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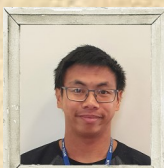
Class 1



Class 1 children are really enjoying our topic, 'Growing Plants'. After listening to the story, 'Jack and the Beanstalk', they have planted their own magic beans in sandwich bags and guessed how many days it will take to see any changes. They have explored where seeds are found inside different fruits and vegetables too. We have left some celery to see if it will grow some roots—we will have to be patient!



Class 2



We had a great time on World Book Day! The children looked lovely dressing up as real-life superheroes.

Class 2 have been hard-working this week. In our class book, 'The Secret Sky Garden', the main character, Funni, hatches a plan to clean up the litter in the area. We have been writing letters to persuade people to do the same in our school and local area. In maths, we consolidated our multiplication and division knowledge, using strategies such as repeated addition and arrays.

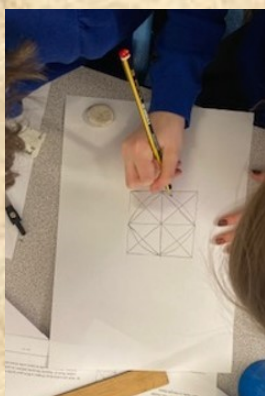


Class 3



What a busy week we have had this week! The children thoroughly enjoyed our Islam Day, where they consolidated their learning around the Islamic faith. They enjoyed making their own geometric designs, making coconut squares and listening to our visiting speaker.

On Thursday, children came into school dressed as their superheroes – we had vets, dentists, film producers, soldiers, footballers, horse riders, racing car drivers, and farmers! It was a fabulous day and it ended with our oldest children sharing stories and books with the youngest children.



Message from the Headteacher



Mrs Sarah Moore

Online Safety

As a school, we continue to educate the children about safety online.

This week the children have celebrated Safer Internet Day 2023. Each class had an assembly on how to keep safe and who they should go to with a problem.

We ask, please, that **parents look at the following website** to find out more about e-safety: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents>



Many of our children enjoy gaming online and it is difficult for parents to know which games are suitable.

Gaming: what's appropriate for your child?

What is PEGI?

The PEGI system is designed to inform the public of what's suitable and what's not for different ages. It can be a helpful tool in helping you to decide what games are appropriate for your child.

How are games rated under PEGI?

All games released in the UK will have one of the following PEGI age ratings on the packaging: 3, 7, 12, 16 or 18. The rating means that the game shouldn't be played by a young person under that age.

Why?

Because there may be content within the game which could potentially be harmful, frightening or worrying to children. As well as an age rating, PEGI also uses icons showing content descriptors, letting you know if a game contains: violence, drugs, bad language, discrimination, fear, gambling, sex, or in-app purchases.

To find the **age ratings** for games, please see this website: <https://www.common sense media.org/>

Other factors to consider:

- You may have introduced boundaries at home about when and what type of games your child is allowed to play. Remember to talk to your child about these rules and set out expectations if they stay with family friends or child care.
- Encourage your child to talk to you about the games they play and how they feel after playing them. Children are sometimes frightened by games but won't tell anyone in case they take the game away. While children are still learning to distinguish between reality and fantasy, it's important to talk to them about what they see in games.
- If your children are playing games online don't forget that you can also set parental controls on many devices to give you extra piece of mind. The VSC website offers full instructions on how to set parental controls for the most popular devices.

One final piece of advice: if you're worried about children playing video games on their own, then why not join them? AskAboutGames.com is a fantastic resource for advice on gaming as a family.

Maths Through Stories

There are some exciting events being held over the next month as part of the National Literacy Trust where they will be exploring maths through exciting and engaging stories. For further information, please see the attached flyer.

Sporting Event Year 3 & 4

On **Wednesday 8th of March**, the children in Years 3 and 4 will be taking part in a multisport event at Malton Sports Centre. The year 3 and 4 children should **come into school in their PE kits and trainers** on this day. They will have lunch at school as normal. A member of staff will accompany the children on a bus, which will take them to Malton in the afternoon. The children should arrive back in time for the end of the school day.



Sports Enhancement Day

On **Tuesday 21st March**, children in Years 1 to 6 will be taking part in our termly Sports Enhancement Day at Stillington Sports Hall. Terrington and Foston children will be travelling on buses to Stillington with adults from their school. This event is held during the school day and the children will be back at school before home time.

Children in Years 1 – 6 are asked to bring a packed lunch or order one from school. **Orders for a school packed lunch must be placed through the school office by 10:30am on the 3rd of March**, this is so our school cook can order items in. Sandwiches choices are ham, cheese or tuna mayo.

Reception and nursery children will also take part in some different sport activities at school, including circus activities. Hot school lunches will be available for reception and nursery children as usual.

All children should come to school in their PE kit.



FOSS (Friends of Stillington School) have organised a quiz night on **Friday 3rd March** at Stillington Sports club.

This is to raise money for the school, so please do get your team together!

The event starts at 8pm but do arrive early to secure your table!



Mrs Corinne Cross

Message from the Governors

The consultation on our proposal to form a new federation of Foston, Stillington and Terrington Schools has now ended. Governors will be considering the responses received at separate meetings on 28th February and 6th March, and will decide whether to move to the new FST Primary Schools Federation.

If Governors decide it is in the best interests of all three schools to form the new federation, **this would be from 28th March 2023**, when the current Governing Bodies would be dissolved and a new Governing Body for the three schools would be formed.

This would have two Parent Governors, elected by parents from across the three schools. **You will now have received details of the role of a Parent Governor**, the election process and nomination forms which were e-mailed to all parents on Monday February 27th. We are pleased that some governors from both current governing bodies wish to continue to serve, as this will provide continuity and retain their skills and experience. One current Parent Governor will stand for re-election.

2023 KEY DIARY DATES



Date	Event
SPRING TERM 2023	
Wed Mar 8th	Basketball & Netball event—Malton Sports Centre—Y3 & 4
Wed Mar 22nd	Football event—Malton Sports Centre—KS1
Tue Mar 28th Thu Mar 30th	Parents' Evening—All (<i>choice of either date</i>)
Thu Mar 30th	Easter Service, 2:30pm
Apr 1st—17th	EASTER HOLIDAYS—BACK TO SCHOOL ON TUES APR 18TH
SUMMER TERM 2023	
May 1st	BANK HOLIDAY—BACK TO SCHOOL ON TUE MAY 2ND
May 8th	CORONATION BANK HOLIDAY—BACK ON TUE MAY 9TH
May 27th—June 4th	HALF TERM BREAK—BACK TO SCHOOL ON MON JUNE 5TH
Tue July 4th	Sports Day (<i>reserve day Thu 6th</i>)
Thu July 20th	Leavers Service, 2:30pm