

Linchfield Academy Newsletter

Thursday 28th March 2024



Forest Area

Year 3 had a wonderful morning exploring the forest area. Some of the children spoke to Owen, who explained what exciting things would be available to them- a mud kitchen, fire pit and a bat house to name a few! Another group of children looked for tree species and different shades of green. We found an oak tree. Miss Stanforth's group were measuring the height of the trees with a rather bizarre method which involved looking through your legs. We also measured the circumference of the trees to discover their age and found one that was 134 years old!



Year 5 Science

In Science this week, Year 5 have been learning about materials and what happens when we mix certain materials together. We have learnt that some changes are reversible but this week the focus was on irreversible changes. We used burning and mixing plaster of Paris as examples of this.

We then used water and Alka Seltzer tablets to demonstrate this by mixing them to form a gas (co2) which the children used to power film canister rockets which they had made, showing the mixing of a solid and a liquid to form a gas.



Year 2 Science

To celebrate Science Week and World Rewilding Day Year 2 visited the new school forest area this week. Year 2 were very excited to explore the different zones and are really looking forward to spending time in this area, once it is complete. The theme for science week this year is 'time' and we went outside to investigated the signs of spring, just as the season is changing. We excitedly discovered lots of daisies and new shoots on trees and flowers. We found lots of ladybirds, worms, woodlice, slugs and snails. As we move into spring, we are all now very eager to continue to investigate and observe more changes.



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Year 3 Maths

In Year 3 we have been exploring fractions. Today our focus was to understand fractions on a number line. We learnt that we needed to draw equal intervals on our number lines and we used our rulers for this. We had to draw number lines with 2,3,4,6 and 8 parts and include the fractions. We also had to draw number lines to show 10 and 12 parts as a challenge!



Staff Wellbeing Workout!

Thank you to Mrs Roberts for organising a staff wellbeing workout after school. Staff enjoyed the combination of aerobic exercise and a range of 80's music and after the workout they all felt very happy and energised!



Chicks!

Foundation have enjoyed having the chicks in the classroom. They watched 9 chicks hatch from their eggs and have fed and held them. They have learned about the life cycle of a hen and have enjoyed watching them get bigger and ready to go to their new home.

We have loved visiting the new forest area each week, with this week having an Easter theme of a phonics egg hunt. The children worked in pairs to find the different sounds on the eggs and mark them off on their sound mat.



Year 4 Easter Egg Hunt

Year 4 children took part in an Easter Egg hunt across the playground. They had to search high and low to look for the paper Easter eggs which were then exchanged for a Special Easter treat. Yum!



Diary Dates

Thursday 28 March Tuesday 16 April Thursday 2 May Mon 13 - Thurs 16 May Mon 13 - Tues 14 May Wednesday 12 June Wed 3 - Fri 5 July End of term 4 **Term 5 Begins** Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents/Carers Key Stage 2 SAT's Year 4 Residential to Grafham Water Year 3 Visit to The Lincoln Collection Year 6 Residential to Caythorpe PGL