





WORK OF THE WEEK

EXCELLENT WORK!

Well done to all our 'Workers of the Week' this month:

Dahl Class – Thomas C, Louie, Monet Milner Class – Theo B, Thomas B, Mason, Rosie King-Smith Class – Ellie, Whole Class, Nina, Orson Walliams Class – Ethan, Samuel, Ruby, Everyone who attended the YTFC extra sessions Rundell Class – Tiah, Scarlett, Oscar, Olivia

SCHOOL VALUES RESPECT, SELF-MOTIVATION, CARE, PERSERVERANCE, KINDNESS

Well done to the following children who have been awarded House Hero certificates for demonstrating our school values:

Dahl Class – Isaac, Megan O, Oliver, Barnaby, Elbie Milner Class – Thomas B, George, Seren, Nora, Henry King-Smith Class – Jack, Holly, Anna, Imogen, Lincoln Walliams Class – Izzy, Ruby, Izabell. Josh Rundell Class – Anna, Kasper, Barnaby, Apple, Natalia, Summer-Lily Adel

HOUSE HEROES HESTERCOMBE TAKE THE LEAD

Congratulations to all the House Heroes this term.

The Leader board is as follows:

Barrington – 526 Hestercombe – 565 Lytes Cary – 561 Montacute – 551

A Message from Mrs Walker

We share our March edition of 'Let's Celebrate' and I would like to highlight our latest Year 3 and 4 production of 'Fee Fie Fo Fum' – I was in awe of the team approach to scenery, high quality singing and performance and the very high level of talent and confidence. What an incredible way to bring the Spring Term to a close.

CLASS UPDATES

DAHL & MILNER CLASS (Yr 3)



Healthy Eating

Mrs Brooks helped Year 3 prepare a balanced pasta salad. Children had to consider whether they had incorporated the right amounts of types of food, using the Eatwell plate. The results looked delicious! Well done Year 3.

Poetry Competition

Year 3 have been finding out about the important work done by the RSPCA and have composed poems inspired by the charity. These will be entered in the Somerset Literacy Network's competition- good luck Year 3! In the meantime, copies of the children's poems are on display in our classrooms for everyone to enjoy.

Sewing

Inspired by Easter, Year 3 have created egg cosies. They used a running stitch and then decorated them.

KING-SMITH CLASS (Yr 4)



Year 5 have been discussing seasonality of vegetables in Design and Technology. As part of our learning, the class had the chance to put their knowledge to the test and create a seasonal soup. They had full responsibility for putting together ingredients that may (or may not) work together to create a delicious warm treat. I was very impressed with the range of flavours we managed to bring together as a class. We certainly realised that garlic packs a lot of punch too!

WALLIAMS CLASS (Yr 5)



Year 5 have been busy experimenting with materials. In Science, we have mixed vinegar and milk to create a new type of plastic called casein. We also investigated what happens when you mix bicarbonate of soda with vinegar.

In RE this month, we have been learning about Rosh Hashanah. We ate apples dipped in honey and created our own Shofar Horn.

RUNDELL CLASS (Yr 6)

Year six have worked incredibly hard in all subjects this term. We finished the term by creating parabolic designs - also known as Parabolic Curve line designs. The simple principle of this design is to create curved shapes from the intersection of straight lines and we experimented with many different starting shapes. Here are some of our creations:











SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS AT SPJS

Indoor Athletics

How wonderful to take another group of debutants to Westfield, led by Team Captain, Dylan. There were some great individual performances, including Ethan's throw, which exceeded the tape measure and Halle, who got the best scores overall.

Thanks to Dylan for doing such a good job encouraging everyone, we await the results of the team competition.



Nerf Event

Congratulations to the Y5/6 Squad who attended a Nerf Event at Yeovil College and won the event. They worked well as a team and listened and followed the rules of the game fairly. Great sportsmanship!



Cross Country Aldon

Our last event of the year was the best attended- thanks to all of those who had a go, well done. The resilience and perseverance pupils had to show on this particularly hilly course, was phenomenal. We are so proud of each and every one of you.

> Y3 Girls: 3rd Y3 Boys: 11th Y4 Girls: 1st Y4 Boys: 5th Y5/6 Girls: 1st

Cross Country Championship Race -Yeovil Recreation Ground

Our Girls' teams competed in the Championship races, aiming for top three performances and the chance of squad medals. It was a close-run affair, and with a few key runners missing, the girls had to pull off the races of their lives! We were delighted with the results:

> Year 3 Girls: 4th Year 4 Girls: 1st Year 5/6 Girls: 2nd

Also, congratulations to Seren, Anna, Fleur, Rosie H, Flo P and Layla who have been selected to represent the Area Cross Country Team at the County Finals. The event is at Yeovil Rec on Wednesday 24th April from 5pm. Please do come along and support the girls!

Somerset Cricket

We have been delighted to work with Somerset County Cricket Coach, Sean, who has been delivering a block of sessions for Year 5 and 6. This is an excellent opportunity for our staff to improve their knowledge of teaching Cricket. Keep an eye out for lunchtime Cricket Clubs on the clubs timetable after Easter



Yeovil Town Community Sports Trust

Thanks to Ty, from YTFC, who has been delivering a block of football coaching for Y5s. Sessions are much fun and have been an excellent opportunity for staff to get some fresh ideas.





SPECIAL MENTION FOR ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Congratulations to Arielle, Yr 3, for completing her Stage 4 Swimming Certificate, Bethany, Yr 3, for winning a regional dance competition, Henry, Yr 3 for 'tearing it up on the Rugby Pitch at a tournament in Wellington' and Ottilie and Nora, Yr 3, for achieving their next grading in Taekwando. Well done everyone 🐵



Celebration Special

Year 3 & 4 Production 'Fee Fie Fo Fum'

Well what an exciting, jam packed term it has been for year 3 and 4. Not only have they had lots of fantastic learning opportunities but they have also been able to entertain us all with their marvellous production of 'Fee Fie Fo Fum'.

To say they were all fantastic is an understatement! From the dramatic acting, fabulous costumes, and wonderful singing, they were just incredible. Their dedication to learning lines, practising movements and projecting their voices really paid off. Every single performer and backstage hand played their part, whether it was taking themselves out of their comfort zones or revelling in the excitement of it all.

Not only are we all so proud of you but I know how proud you were of yourselves!

- Mrs Gordon, Mrs Divall and Miss Dunn



STEM Club and Somerscience Festival

During Spring Term, Mrs Joslyn has been running an after-school STEM Club to focus on the GoIT Challenge for the Somerscience Festival 2024, taking place on Monday 6th May at Castle Cary and Haynes Motor Museum, Sparkford.

This year's brief is as follows:

Sustainable transport. Design a digital innovation that sustainably improves mobility or transport in Somerset.

Due to large numbers taking part in the festival in previous years, this year there can only be one finalist group representing each school at the actual festival.

The groups are as follows:

- Kasper and Alfie, Yr 6, with 'Busverse' - a new bus system of many different tiers and offering many different experiences for everyone.

- Henry, Billy and Barnaby, Yr 6, with 'Travel Green', a website and app to enable users to source the most cost-, time- and eco-efficient travel across the county.

- Olivier, Layla, Yr 6, and Harriet (Yr 5) with 'Practical Pathways' - a county-wide tram system with ecoand cost-friendly benefits for all, but especially minority groups.

All of the children worked so hard throughout the after-school sessions, and they did very well with their presentations to their peers. Following the presentations, Year 5 and 6 voted anonymously for their favourite idea, and whilst there was a broad range of votes, the extremely worthy winning team

representing SPJS at this year's festival are Henry, Billy and Barnaby with Travel Green. Our heartfelt congratulations to them, and huge thanks to all of the teams for their brilliant ideas and work during this term.

Anyone can attend the festival, there will be posters and leaflets at school after the Easter Break, or you can find out more information by visiting <u>www.somerscience.co.uk</u>

Our winning team will be presenting their pitch any time from midday on the stage at Haynes Motor Museum on Monday 6th May, for anyone who wishes to come along and support them!



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