



UPDATES

We have had a great start to the half term at Nields!

OUR NEW CURRICULUM

Class Newsletters have been sent home via PING with further information about our curriculum and are on our website. Please take a look to find out more about what your child is learning this half term! This half term the main focus is all about creativity!

Year 1 are learning about planes, trains and automobiles and have already produced some amazing work around the Wright Brothers.

Year 2 are learning about Amazing Australia;

Year 3's topic title is: Urban Pioneers

Year 4's topic title is: Potions

Year 5's topic title is: Scream machine

Year 6's topic title is: Light it up

PENNINE STRICTLY DANCE FESTIVAL

On Thursday evening, our fabulous group of dancers led by Miss Petts performed in front of an audience of parents and carers at the Lawrence Batley Theatre in Huddersfield. This was an amazing experience for all of our dancers and we are immensely proud of them. We would also like to extend our thanks to Miss Petts for putting together a super routine! We look forward to future performances!

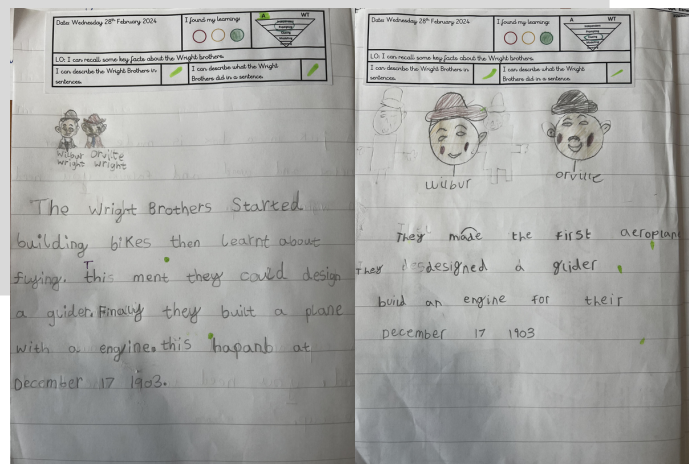
EARLY YEARS AND PHONICS DEVELOPMENTS

We are continuing to make progress with our delivery of the Read Write Inc. phonics scheme following our positive visit from the English Hub last week. The focus has been around:

- all children taking home a reading book which matches their phonics level and ability
- all phonics teachers teaching with fidelity to the RWI scheme
- all children being regularly assessed in line with the programme expectations

This all follows on from our successful training day and we are really pleased with the progress we have made .

We have also had a visit from Mr. Stuttard - the principal of Bowling Green Academy - who spent some time in our Early years unit and met with our staff. We have since made some quick changes to improve the provision and have a plan to further enhance it - both inside and outside! We are using our school budget to purchase resources and furniture to improve our inside environment and the fabulous PTFA are supporting us with developing the outside environment. We are arranging to meet with companies/builders who are able to help us develop our offer.



Year 1 work about the Wright Brothers



Our fabulous dancers on stage at the LBT

STAFFING UPDATES

Unfortunately, we don't have any further update on Mrs. Wyrill, she remains unwell and unable to come to work, we wish her all the best and hope she recovers soon. We will continue to have Mr. Midgley here supporting us until at least Easter for continuity and to ensure we continue to make rapid progress.

We would like to give our congratulations to Mr. McKinna who has secured a new job for after Easter working at St Johns CE Primary School in Dewsbury. There, he will be re-united with Mr. Blackburn, our former Deputy Head. We would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to Mr. McKinna for all his efforts here and wish him all the very best in the future. Mr. McKinna has been a dedicated member of our staff team over the past 8 years and has given his all to his teaching commitments here at Nields often going above and beyond to ensure the very best for the children. He will be greatly missed as part of our staff team but we look forward to see his journey as he moves on. His last day at Nields will be 22nd March.

We are currently carefully considering all options available to us for the Year 5 class - we will update you after the 1st of April.

COMING SOON

Monday 4th March 2024 - Mr Christian (executive principal at Colne Valley High School) is joining us in assembly and will meet our Year 6 children following their High School offers being released today. Next week is also Assessment week in school.

Thursday 7th March 2024 - WORLD BOOK DAY! Please see PING for further information.

Parents evenings will be held on 19th and 20th March - please see PING to book an appointment

Monday 1st April 2024 - we join The Great Heights Academy Trust

Class Ambassadors have also met today to decide upon our Positive Behaviour Reward Day which will take place on Thursday 21st March - we will be having a movie afternoon with pizza/treats for all of our children who have behaved well throughout this half term. Further details will be sent home in due course.

We are looking at more opportunities to get parents/carers into school to see what we are doing - to build on the successful 'breakfast with books' morning we had recently. Ideas include workshops, meetings and afternoons to come into class and see what we are learning and look at your child's work. We will send out further information when we have finalised the details.

If you have any questions or would like more information about these developments, please don't hesitate to speak to our staff. We value your partnership in creating the best possible educational experience for your child.

