

NEWSLETTER – 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024



# -FEBRUARY-

## *Half-Term*

*Wishing all of our students & families a wonderful half-term.*

*School re-opens on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### February 2024

**Week commencing 26<sup>th</sup>** – ‘Learn in class’ sessions

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# THIS WEEKS WINNERS

## CERTIFICATE OF THE WEEK; 'Creativity'



FS2/Reception - Oscar & Anastasia

Year 1 - Jack & Connie

Year 2 - Carter & Jacob

Year 3 - Elli-Jane & Nashontai

Year 4 - Ruby-Mai & Kaisha

Year 5 - Libby & Octavian

Year 6 - Ava & Archie M

*Class Of  
The Week  
FS2*

## EARLY BIRD & S.A.M



Well done to Years 2 & 4. You all had the best time keeping this week!

Early Bird will come to visit you after half term.

Well done Year 2. You had the highest attendance this week!

S.A.M will be with you after half term.



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# Y3 - LIVERPOOL ADVENTURES!



Last week, our Year 3 class had a wonderful trip to Liverpool via the train! We are thrilled to share the unforgettable journey filled with enriching experiences and joyful discoveries.



The day offered a perfect backdrop for watching the children enthusiastically explore new spaces. A delayed train even provided the opportunity to put our arithmetic skills to the test in a real-life learning experience.



Our tour of the Central Library was nothing short of captivating. It provided breath-taking cityscape views leaving everyone in awe. Our excitement peaked exploring the top floor viewing gallery, when we located the site of the medieval castle of Liverpool, ready for our lost castles project.

The Picton Reading Room was a delightful surprise, enchanting the Harry Potter fans among us, with its similarities to Hogwarts. Our 'Draw to Explore' workshop was equally inspiring, introducing everyone to Victorian Biblical paintings, Lowry matchstick people, and the inspiring 'Fallen Warrior' sculpture by Henry Moore.

Our Y3 children showed impeccable behaviour and enthusiasm throughout the day, gaining a wealth of knowledge and experiences!





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# LOST CASTLE OF LIVERPOOL - WHOLE SCHOOL ARTS PROJECT

Wow what a week we have had! The children have fully embraced our Lost Castles project, from starting looking at the streets they live on to learning about the lost castle of Liverpool. This wonderful week has given the children opportunities to become poets, geographers, architects and historians, as they have worked together to create large scale art through a project they will remember. Children have composed poems, constructed maps, designed and built castles both great and small. We think the enjoyment within the photographs says it all...Enjoy!





# LOST CASTLE OF LIVERPOOL - ARTS PROJECT



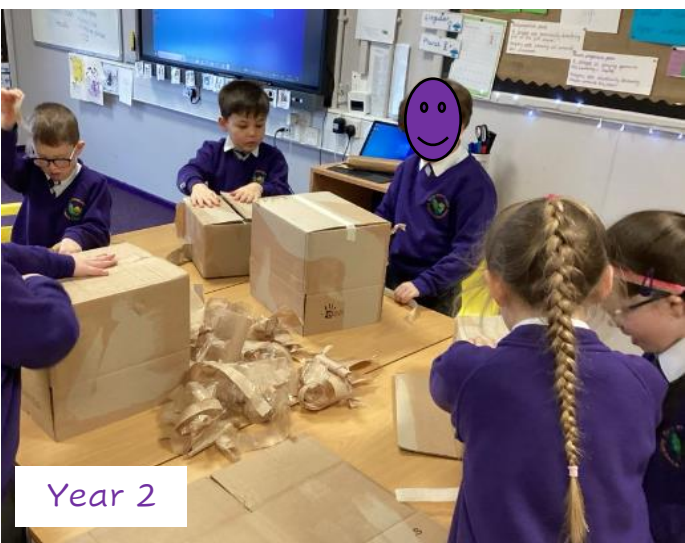
Year 1



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Year 2



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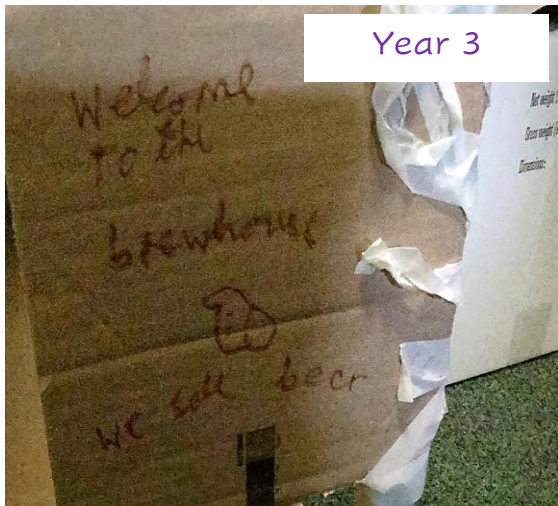
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Year 3



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Year 4



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# LOST CASTLE OF LIVERPOOL - ARTS PROJECT



Year 4



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Our FS1/Nursery children are a little too young to build castles by themselves, so they visited the Year 5 classroom castle, so they could be involved in the process.

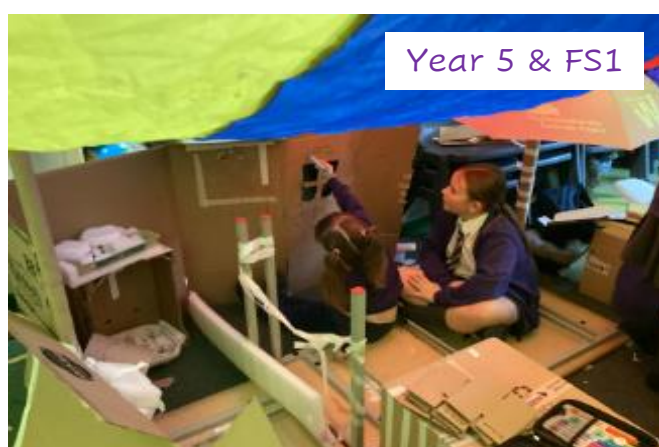
Both our FS1 and Y5 children loved this experience and our Year 5 class looked after the younger children wonderfully!



Year 5 & FS1



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# LOST CASTLE OF LIVERPOOL - ARTS PROJECT



Year 5



Year 5 & FS1



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FS1



Year 5 & FS1

Our FS2/Reception class built mini castles in their classroom, they also got to visit the Year 6 castle to play and have fun with their buddies!

Again, our older children took great care of our younger students encouraging and helping them with their ideas. All of the children has a great time!



Year 6 & FS2



Year 6 & FS2



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# LOST CASTLE OF LIVERPOOL - ARTS PROJECT



Year 6 & FS2



Year 6



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# LIVERPOOL CASTLE – WHAT OUR PUPILS HAD TO SAY & A SELECTION OF THE CASTLES! ...



**Isla Y3** – ‘The Liverpool Castle was built by William de Ferreres. The castle is 800 years old, it was built in the year 1235. Years later it was used as a court. The best part of this week, was showing off our art skills and having fun!’

**Joe Y5** – ‘I liked it when FS1 came in to help with the castles. I liked showing them round and seeing their happy faces.’



**Zach Y5** – ‘I was excited about the whole project, although I was tired out by the end!’

**Delilah Y5** – ‘I enjoyed the classroom castle and making memories with my friends!’



**Jack H Y1** – ‘I loved being with all my friends and building the classroom castle. I loved the tunnel we made to get in and out of the castle.’



**Olivia Y1** – ‘I loved building my cardboard castle. I worked really hard and the doors and windows could open!’



# USEFUL INFORMATION

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about MONKEY

Also known as Monkey Cool, this platform aims to fill the gap left by Omegle (which has now shut down) by placing users in random video chats with strangers. Participants use their mobile number and Snapchat username to connect to the service, where they can make matches, message other people and join group chats. The mobile version has been removed from the App Store due to safety concerns, but iPhone owners can still access the site via their web browser. The app remains available on Google Play, where its listing claims that Monkey has more than 30 million users worldwide.

AGE RESTRICTION  
**17+**

(although the lack of age verification means that someone younger could easily log in with a false date of birth)

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

The app claims to use AI to detect sexual content or activity that violates its policies, along with having a 24/7 moderation team. However, reports in the media continue to indicate that explicit content remains commonplace on Monkey (including sexually graphic or violent material) and is therefore accessible to anybody who uses the app – including those aged under 18.



#### CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

The obvious risk in accepting random video chat partners is that users cannot know what or who they will see on their next connection. Talking to strangers is, of course, potentially dangerous – especially for children who might be persuaded to meet up with these people offline. The app lets users find each other by location, increasing the chances of a child being matched with a stranger from their local area.



#### IN-APP SPENDING

While Monkey is free to download, it nevertheless offers in-app purchases promising to unlock access to premium features. For example, users who wish to make use of 'Knock Knock chat' (Monkey's text-based messaging option), rather than the app's Chatroulette-style random video calling feature, will need to pay to be able to do so.



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Please Note;** Sometimes dates have to be changed due to external matters. We will always inform you of these changes and publish (on the school website) updates to this document.

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**Week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> is last week for the following clubs** – Board Games, Story Explorers, Dance, History,

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>** – Parent consultations

**Week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> is last week for the following clubs** – Dodgeball, Girls football, Y2 multi-sports and Athletics

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>** – Year 3 & Year 4 – Football @ TSA

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>** – Full Governors @ 5pm

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** – Y4 trip to Sutton and Carr Mill Dams

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** – Poetry Buzz event

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>** – last day of term

## APRIL 2024

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Nursery closed this day – Nursery building being used for local elections polling station

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** – School re-opens after Easter break

**Week commencing Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>** – New after school clubs start

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>** – Year 3 class assembly (parents/carers welcome) @ 9am

## MAY 2024;

**Year 2 SATs month**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Paul Delaney in school working with KS2

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>** – Bank Holiday

**Week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup>** – Year 6 SATs week



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## MAY 2024

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** – Governors Resources committee meeting @ 5pm

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Year 6 school holiday/residential

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>** – last day in school this half term

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup>** – Half term break

## JUNE 2024

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – School re-opens after half term

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** – Y1 phonics screening week

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** – Governors Standards committee meeting @ 5pm

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>** – sports day for FS1/Nursery (parents/carers welcome) @ 9:15am

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>** – sports day for FS2/Reception (parents/carers welcome) @ 1:30pm

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>** – sports day for Years 3 – 6 (parents/carers welcome) @ 9:15am

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>** – sports day for Years 1 and 2 (parents/carers welcome) @ 1:15pm

**Week commencing 24<sup>th</sup>** – Assessment week & 'Learn in class' sessions

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup>** – Year 2 class assembly (parents/carers welcome) @ 9am

# Eaves Primary School

*Excellence in Everything*

