Connor Downs Academy

1st February 2019 Virtue of the week— Resourcefulness



HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE Y6 MATHS VISIT

Last Friday, the Year 6 children visited CSIA to participate in a NEXUS workshop focusing on an exciting Maths Olympiad challenge. The children took part in three amazing activities such as code breaking, during the morning. This was followed by an exciting two part competition in the afternoon where they

pitched their mathematical knowledge against pupils from other school within Cornwall. Sophie said ; " It was a great experience to be asked to take part in this amazing day."

Y5 STEM VISIT

On Wednesday, Year 5 were delighted to attend Nexus for a STEM visit to learn about gears, levers and pulleys. The children learnt how gears on their bikes help them to get up hills with a great demonstration supported by our pupils. Next, Year 5 got "hands on" with an experiment to discover the difference the length of a lever makes when moving an object. Finally, the children used a movable pulley to lift a mass. On their return to school, Year 5 wrote up their findings using scientific vocabulary. The children really enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to their next educational visit.





Y6 SPECIAL VISITOR

On Thursday, the Year 6 children enjoyed a fascinating visit from Mr Ivor Pascoe, a

World War 11 veteran. Ivor shared with the children his experiences when his family home in Penryn was bombed during an air raid in 1941. Ivor also talked about his experiences of serving in the Royal Navy working on landing craft and the role which his craft played during the D-Day landings. The children asked Ivor many relevant and interesting questions and learnt a great deal about life during World War 11. James stated, "I really enjoyed having Mr Pascoe visit us because he spoke in great detail about his experiences during World War 11 which were very interesting and captivating".

PARKING

Please can we remind parents and carers that when dropping off and collecting your child/ children from school, to be considerate to our local residents. Please do not block driveways or cause any obstructions.

SPECIAL MENU

Please note the kitchen will provide a special menu on Tuesday 5th February. The options on the day will be: Chinese Chicken Noodle or Sweet and Sour Quorn with Rice, Wok tossed vegetables followed by Sticky Bananas with Ice cream

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Academy News

ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

1st Place	Year 3	97.2 %
2nd Place	Year 6	97.1 %
3rd Place	Year R	97 %

SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 8th February**, at 2.40pm. Parents of the children below are warmly invited to attend.



Please come along to main reception no earlier than 2.35pm. A special well done to:

Reception	Lowen	For making fantastic progress in all areas of the Foundation Stage curriculum. Lowen has grown in confidence and his enthusiasm towards his learning is fantastic to see.
Year 1	Jamie	For impressive independent working during challenge activities when measuring.
Year 2	Caleb	For an excellent attitude towards all aspects of the curriculum and a love of learning.
Year 3	Olivia	For excellent work on learning her tables and using this skill to reason challenges.
Year 4	Chloe	For re-writing the Jabberwocky using the same rhyming structure as the original.
Year 5	Esme	For representing the school so well on our visit to Nexus and writing a great scientific report based on our experiments.
Year 6	Piran	For putting in lots of effort to improve his handwriting. Piran has made excellent progress.
Writer of the week	Solomon Year 1	For trying hard to join his handwriting when writing in full sentences.
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Regan Year	For gaining a love of reading, practising regularly and reading impressively aloud.
KS2 Reader of the week	Freya Year 6	For giving detailed and thoughtful responses during our reading comprehension sessions.
Mathematician of the week	Liam Year 5	For choosing to take the challenge questions in maths and not being afraid of making a mistake.
Performer of the week	Leo VP Year 4	For reading aloud his poem based on the jabberwocky with expression.
Citizen of the week	Mabel Year R	For always being a thoughtful friend to her classmates. Mabel consistently goes above and beyond to ensure that she supports her peers and praises their achievements.