

Friday 28th January 2022

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are all safe and well. We have had another incredibly busy and exciting week in our academy.



Year 1 - To The Rescue

The children in Year 1 this week have been looking at how to respond in an emergency as part of our topic 'To The Rescue'. We used role play to re-enact an emergency phone call in groups of 3, we had a phone operator, someone making the phone call and a casualty.



We really enjoyed this activity and have used the role play to then write our own emergency phone log. We all now know how to respond in an emergency and how to ring 999!



Year 6 - Science

Recently, Y6 completed an experiment to explore how different beak shapes affects what a bird can eat. This was part of their work about Charles Darwin. The children used spoons, tweezers and scissors to pick up worms (elastic bands), seeds (frozen peas and pasta). It was quite an entertaining way to learn about evolution.

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Year 1 and 2 – Multiskills Sports Event

On Thursday, children from Years 1 and 2 represented Connor Downs Academy in a multiskills sports event held at Mounts Bay Academy. The children took part in a variety of events and showed fantastic determination and resilience. We are delighted to say that Connor Downs placed second overall out of a total of six schools. We are so proud of each and every one who took part.



Year R – Balance Bikeability

On Friday, children from Reception class took part in a Balance Bike session, with the members from Mounts Bay Academy Bikeability team. The children used balance bikes and played games such as 'What's the time Mr Wolf?', practiced gilding, learning about bikes and some basic bike safety. The children all had an

amazing time. We

would like to say a big thank you to the 4 members of the Bikeability team who came along to make this possible.



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School Council

This week, during their School Council meeting, representatives from each class prepared a poster to remember Holocaust Memorial Day 2022.

The children shared their posters and its message with their classmates. This year's theme is One Day. At Connor Downs Academy we talked about stories of hope and how we can act for a better future.



Aspire Covid-19 Information Page

For up-to-date guidance, parents/carers should refer to the Aspire web page using the link below

<https://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus>

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Drop off/pick up procedures:

With the current increase in Covid-19 cases within the Connor Downs community, we politely ask that you continue to socially distance and **wear a mask at the gates and on site**. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

A reminder that Year 5 are currently within a bubble and have a slightly later start time of 8:50am and collection time of 15:20. This will stay in place for the whole of next week.

We would like to thank all parents/carers for their support as always.

Menu Change – Around The World – China – Thursday 10th February



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CSIA – Super Saturday Workshops for Year 5 students



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is run by Miss Abel and Miss Scaife between 7:45am and 8:30am each weekday at a cost of £3.50 per session per child.



The club has been running since the start of this academic year and is proving very popular with children of all ages.

If you would like to book your child/children in for breakfast club, the booking link is sent out weekly and payments should be made via ParentPay in advance.



"Miss Abel and Miss Scaife make a yummy breakfast" – Tommy

"They make us laugh" – Max

"We have fun. It's a nice start to the day" – Holly

"Miss Abel and Miss Scaife always make us smile" – Oscar

"It's fun because we get to play football" – Seb

"I love coming to breakfast club. I like everything" – Isaac

"I love coming because it's so much fun" – Charlie

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Attendance

<u>Attendance</u> Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 st Place	Year 3	99.2 %
2 nd Place	Year 6	97.9 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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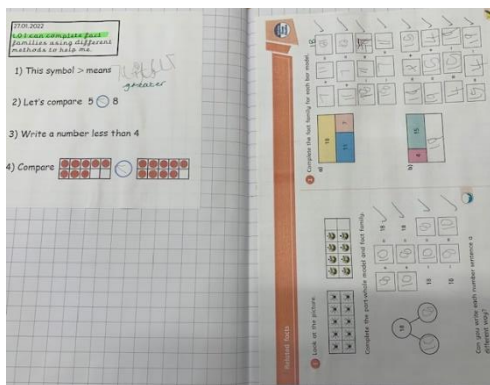
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Year R – Rupert

For making positive contributions during SCARF sessions, showing a clear understanding of how and why it is important to be kind and helpful citizens at all times.

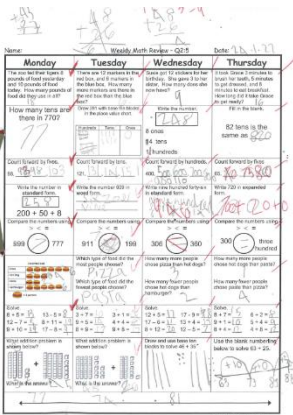


Year 1 – Mia

For her fantastic independent maths work. Keep up this amazing effort Mia!

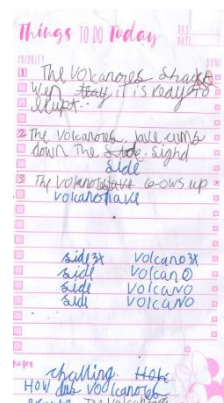
Year 2 – Lois

For her determination and perseverance to conquer her fears with swimming and trying so hard to build on her skills. Lois always gives 100% and this is shown in the amount of progress she has made in the pool. Well done Lois – keep it up!



Year 3 – Kiani

For her excellent effort in spiral maths. Kiani is always keen to answer questions showing her knowledge of addition and subtraction facts. Kiani has also written a fantastic report about volcanoes, both at school and at home. Well done Kiani!



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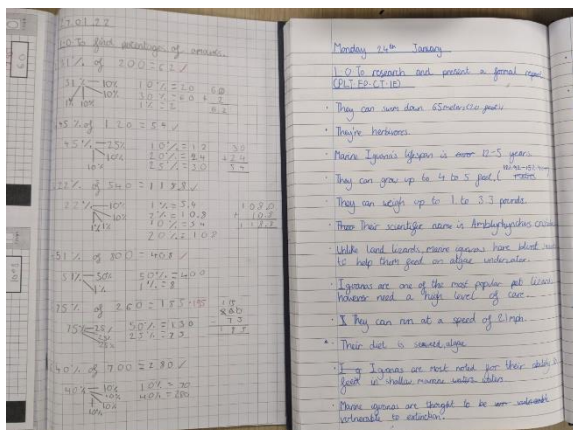
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Year 4 – Isla

For knowing that we were learning The Tempest by William Shakespeare ready for our performance at the Minack Theatre next week and being such a brave performer!

Year 5 – Sophia

Sophia has shown such a positive attitude to her learning all week in Year 5. Sophia has impressed with her times tables fluency. Well done Sophia – keep up this amazing effort!



Year 6 – Lola-Mae

For her wonderful iguana art work and your positive attitude towards everything you do. Well done Lola-Mae!

Performer of the Week

George Go. in Year 6

This is awarded for recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the new Moki Fitness trackers. George's total was 34,038 steps. Well done George!

Kind Regards,



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