

Friday 21st January 2022

Dear parents/carers,

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



Year R – PE



This week, Reception were excited to continue their PE topic 'Best of Balls', improving their understanding of why regular exercise is an important part of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

First, the children warmed up by playing 'Escape The Jungle!' Whilst listening to jungle themed music, the children practised balancing, rolling, hopping and using their core strength to cross a jungle bridge, travel through a wild river, bounce through a muddy swamp and escape on a boat.

Following this, the children learned about about rolling and throwing balls, as well as throwing smaller objects like beanbags. Finally, at the end of the lesson, the children had lots of fun showing off their learning by playing dodgeball, throwing and rolling balls at a target... Mr Masters!



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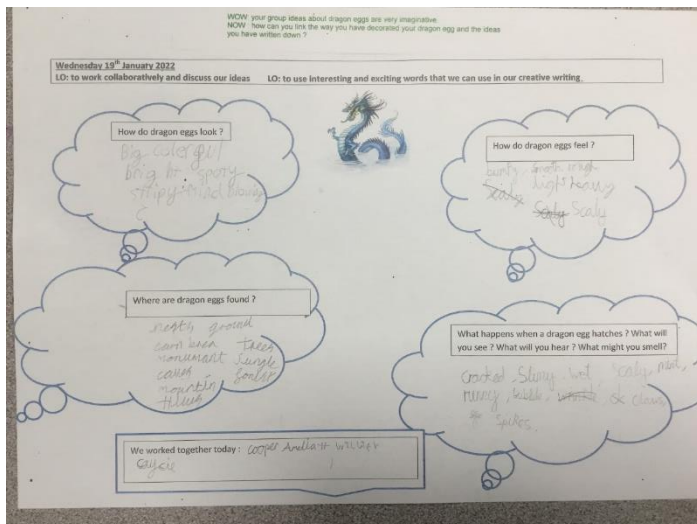
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Year 4 – Dragons

This week in year 4 the children have been exploring the topic of Dragons. They have been discussing and sharing ideas about where Dragons might live and how they might behave. Following these discussions, the children wrote exciting stories as well as looking at different art forms to provide images of what Dragons or their eggs, might look like. The children are all very excited to share their stories with their peers when they are complete!



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.

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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>



Friends of Connor Downs Academy

The next meeting of the Friends of Connor Downs Academy is being held on Thursday, 27th January 2022.

If you are able to spare some time, no matter how much or how little, new members are always welcome. We are a small group of parents and staff who work together to raise funds to enhance the learning experiences of all the children across our academy. If you are interested in seeing how you can help out, please do come along and see what is involved.

Please come to the main school office to sign in with Mrs Gallagher.



Attendance

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Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 st Place	Year 6	98.9 %
2 nd Place	Year 4	97.5 %
3 rd Place	Year R	96.6 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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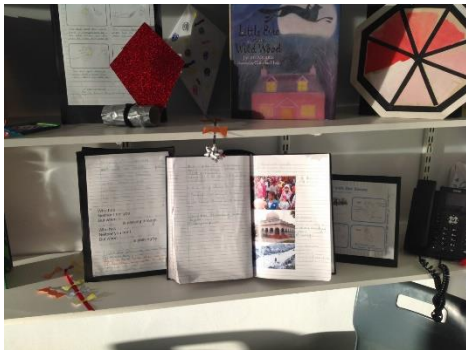
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Year 1 – Elowen

For using her imagination to create two sea scene pictures whilst listening to calm sea and stormy sea music.

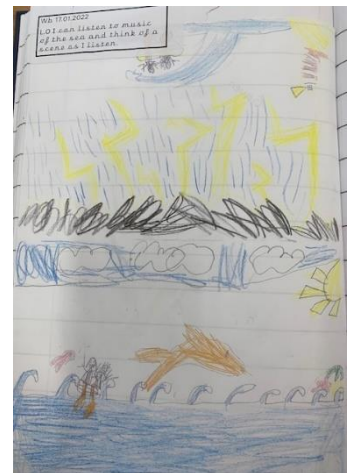


Year 3 – Alfie

For completing his maths homework neatly and independently. Well done Alfie!

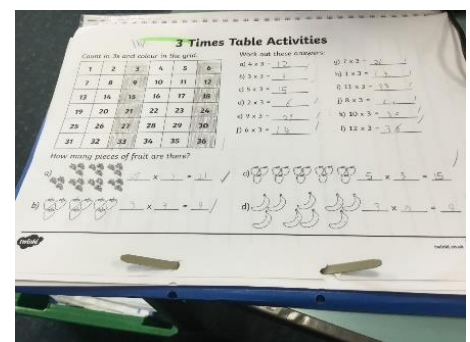
Year R – Penelope

For outstanding effort in phonics, working hard to write sentences using a range of sounds and tricky words. Well done Penelope!



Year 2 – Joseph

For excellent work researching new location and comparing places.



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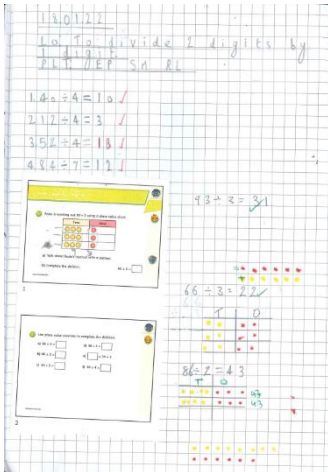
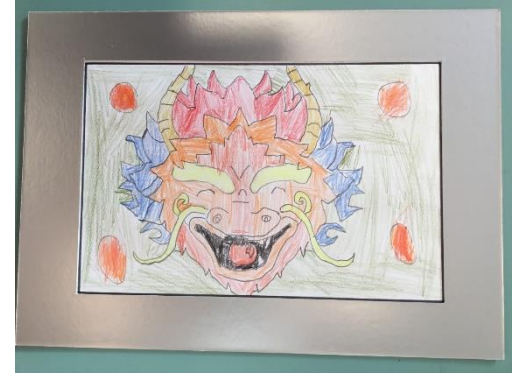
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Year 4 – McKenzie

McKenzie has shown great focus and patience this week during our exciting topic work of producing Art about Dragons. McKenzie's final designs were produced to a very high standard. McKenzie is also growing in confidence with his daily reading, fluently reading many tricky words without the need for blending. Well done!



Year 5 – Mason

For independent use of his place value counters to support division and his immaculate recoding on his place value chart. Well done Mason!

Year 6 – Malakie

For his super effort during our PE lesson this week. Malakie and his group worked really well together to create a beautiful routine.

Performer of the Week

Beth in Year 5

This is awarded for recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the new Moki Fitness trackers. Beth's total was 44,238 steps. Well done Beth!

Kind Regards,



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