



March Newsletter

Dates for you Diary

Monday 17th April - school reopens for the Summer Term

Thursday 20th April - Woodland Wonders—Acorns

Friday 21st April - Great News Assembly

Wednesday 26th April - Consultation on teaching Drugs and Alcohol across the Federation (Mr Howes and Mrs Bright) We're proposing to introduce this into our PSHE (Personal Social Health Education) curriculum so if you're interested in hearing why and seeing the resources in person come along to either: 9am to 10am – Stubbings Infant School Or 6pm to 7pm – Riverside Junior School

Friday 28th April - Woodland Wonders—Acorns

From 2nd May—KS1 SATs throughout May

Friday 5th May - Woodland Wonders—Acorns

Friday 5th May- Great News Assembly

Friday 5th May - Claire Tooth (EMHP) coffee and chat drop-in after assembly for all parents from Stubbings and Central Street

Monday 8th May—Bank Holiday for the Kings Coronation

Thursday 11th May—Reception height and weights

Friday 19th May - Great News Assembly

Friday 19th May - Federation Family Quiz

Friday 26th May—School closes for half term

Monday 5th June— School reopens

What a busy half term! We've had such a lot of fun with World Book day and Red Nose day!

A big thank you to our families for engaging so positively with Great News Assemblies, workshops with Claire our EMHP and parent consultations.

Over the Easter holiday, as well as enjoying some well-deserved chocolate the staff will be getting ready for a fantastic Summer term, there will be lots going on!

Please look out for information by email, dojo and on Twitter about what is happening in school.

We will also be letting you know how you can support by volunteering in school.

Have a fantastic Easter break.



**RED
NOSE
DAY**

We raised £37
Thank you!

Acorns

Acorns have been enjoying their Jigsaw mindful PSHE lessons focusing on healthy me this half term.

We discussed the importance of exercise and learnt what sports we took part in outside of school. We sorted foods into those we could eat lots of and those which were a treat and we could have a little of and we found out the imp of sleep and learnt about our sleep routines!



Oaks

In Music we have been exploring how music can represent animals. We took a deep dive into Dzenguze Kuko, a Latvian folk song about a cuckoo, and Aviary from The Carnival of the Animals by Saint-Saens. In keeping with the bird theme, in Art we have been learning all about the Inuit artist Kenojuak Ashevak. We used her artwork, inspired by birds found in the Arctic, to create our own pieces of art. We focused on creating light source using watercolours and pattern and repetition using ink. Just look at our masterpieces!

Acorns



We have been developing our science skills observing, learning about fair tests and asking lots of why what if questions. We made moon rocks as we discovered the astronauts on the Apollo moon landing collected moonrocks and conducted experiments with them. We observed the texture change from wet to dry. We weighed them, smashed them with a hammer to see how hard they were and we dissolved some in water or vinegar, The ones in vinegar fizzed and foamed and then dissolved. They were like erupting volcanoes! Our teeth decay experiment has some very interesting results!

We learnt that eggshell is made from similar stuff to the enamel of our teeth. We got 6 cups the same size and placed an egg in each we then poured in the same amount of liquid into each cup. Each cup had a different liquid. We used coke, squash, orange juice, vinegar, water. We then did a challenge and covered one egg with toothpaste and put that in another cup of coke. We are observing how the eggs change. After a day the egg in vinegar and no shell left and had turned into a rubber egg with its shell completely destroyed! The egg in orange juice was also attacked. The covered n toothpaste did much better and we have been learning that we should brush our teeth for 2 mins at least twice a day.

We also made mouse rockets to find out how high a mouse could fly, We learnt about the force pushing the mouse up and gravity bringing it down, we thought about how the mouse could fly higher, or travel more slowly and experimented with the force hitting the bottle or the angle of the tail!



Oaks

During our Science week, with the theme of connections, we explored how plants and animals are connected together in food chains and food webs. We also conducted an interesting experiment, where we were working to find a warm house for a mouse! We used warm water in bottles to represent the mice and placed them in different areas outside to see which one would be the best place for a mouse to live.

Help us make **Open Space 70**

Open Space 70 (13-16 July) is an environmental arts festival made with the people of Calderdale.

JOIN IN AT OUR FREE DROP-IN INSPIRER WORKSHOPS

Chat with artists, experts & our team, try something new & explore being part of Open Space 70. Allow around an hour for the creative activity. Open 10:30-13:30



RECLAMATION

SAT 1 APRIL: MYTHOLMROYD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Use your phone to capture evidence of nature's ability to recover from human development. Full details of the photography challenge are on our website. With Gerard Liston & Paul Knights. All ages welcome.

INSECT PRINTMAKING

SAT 15 APRIL: TODFELLOWS HALL, TODMORDEN

Celebrating the importance of insects in the natural world, learn how to make dry-point Tetrapak plates & prints of these weird & wonderful creatures. Rachel Red and Martyna Krol lead this drop-in session. Suitable for age 8+.



PROTEST LAB!

SAT 22 APRIL: HEBDEN BRIDGE TOWN HALL

What do you think needs to change? Join artist Michael Powell & environmental campaigner Zephie Begolo for conversation & creative climate emergency placard making. Suitable for age 7+



**Hebden
Bridge
Arts**

CONNECT / CREATE / PRESENT

Work made in these workshops will be shared in exhibitions as part of our Arts Trail.

For other ways to get involved in Open Space 70 see overleaf & look online at qrco.de/openspace

The Art of Taking Part...

Homegrown - Share something you've created on the theme of environment / climate emergency as part of the Arts Trail (15-16 July). Show your body of art work, sculptures or installation; share your eco-garden, mudlarking collection or your manifesto for change. Use your own space to share your work, or we'll find a venue for you to use.

Open Exhibition - As an alternative to joining the Arts Trail as part of Homegrown, you can submit one chosen work of your art in any medium for our exhibition 'Creative Responses to the Climate Emergency' at Northlight Artspace (15-16 July). Your piece can express anything from hope to fear, emotion to solution, mitigation to imagination.

Inspirer Workshops - Make something at one of our free drop-in sessions.

Open Your Space - We need to borrow exhibition venues for our Arts Trail, such as gardens, sheds, barns and yards. Can you lend us your space?

Volunteer - Can you give us a helping hand to support Open Space 70 workshops or offer visitors a warm welcome at an Arts Trail venue or festival event or two? Full training & support provided & travel expenses covered.

Full information about Open Space 70 is online. You can use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code below or visit qrco.de/openspace



Pop
13-16 July
in your
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