

ONE GIANT STEP FOR ESTCOURT PRIMARY...

The week has disappeared in the blink of an eye. The children have been hard at it again producing some wonderful pieces of work through collaboration with their classmates as well as working independently. It has been an absolute pleasure to see the pride the children have taken in their work, so much so, all class teachers found it immensely difficult to pick our stars of the week! Not only have we worked hard this week on our topic work, we have also been finding out about 'What makes a good friend' as part of National Anti-Bullying week. Many thanks to Mrs Tennyson, Miss Davis and Mrs Howe for helping to organise such a fantastic learning opportunity.



F2 have been working hard in the classroom adding up 2 numbers. They have played in the ice outside and written their own snow bear stories.



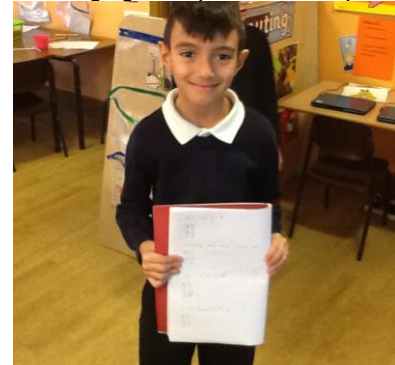
In other news, I wanted to share with you the amazing role models that are Y6! We have been trialling a change of location for where our younger children have lunch. For the last few weeks Y6 have been working with our younger children on 'dinner time skills' and encouraging learning conversations to create a more social lunch time in the dining hall. This has been a huge success and our younger children have been telling me how much they enjoy spending time with the older children.



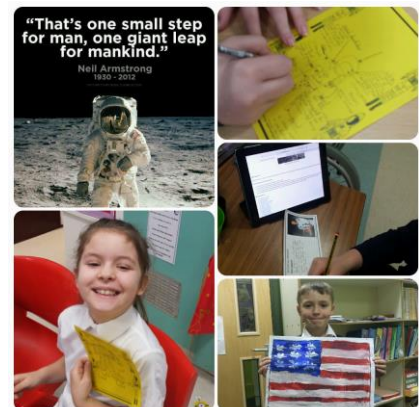
F1 have continued to learn about castles this week. Thank you for all the box donations... they decided to make a really big castle with them.



This week the Butterflies have been very resilient in Maths. They have completed challenging word problems and puzzles.



The Meerkats have been working very hard in their PE lessons this week, choreographing their own dances around the theme of sport



This week the Ants have been learning all about Neil Armstrong. They have used ipads to research him and designed their very own space suit! Also, they replicated Jasper John's famous 'flag' creation and put it on the moon as Neil Armstrong once did.

E-Safety

These are some useful E-Safety web links for parents and pupils. <http://ceop.police.uk>
<http://www.childnet.com> <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> <http://www.netsmart.org/Safety/SafetyTips>
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Behaviour - Traffic Lights

At the Academy we use a 'Traffic Light' system to warn children if their behaviour is not of the acceptable standard. The aim is for the children to stay in green. The totals below show how many children have achieved this each week.

This week 285 children out of 289 have stayed in Green.
Well done!



Frogs	Spiders	Penguins	Rhinos	Lions	Butterflies	Meerkats	Ants	Sharks	Tigers	Panthers	Leopards
25/25	26/26	22/22	22/22	21/22	27/27	31/31	29/31	21/21	26/26	17/18	18/18

In Year 5 Tigers they have been enjoying learning the rules of baseball with the help of players from 'The Scorpions'. They are learning how to throw and catch the ball as well as fielding when playing a whole class game.



The Lions have started a dance unit as part of their PE syllabus. Their current theme is the circus and the children have lots of fantastic ideas. Here are four of our girls showing us their super moves.



This week the Rhinos have been working on instructions. They had to tell their partner how to put their jumpers on and wrote instructions for how to make a superhero cape! They have also been thinking about what makes a good friend for anti bullying week.



UPCOMING DATES

Half Term – Friday 13th Feb – Mon 23rd Feb

Easter Holiday – Friday 27th March – Monday 13th April

May Bank Holiday – Monday 4th May

Half Term – Friday 22nd May – Tuesday 2nd June

Summer Break – Thursday 16th July

The Penguins have been learning to write instructions, in Maths they have focused on counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. They have used this knowledge to help to develop their understanding of multiplication. They have also made superhero capes.



Sharks have been busy finding out about Neil Armstrong and the moon landing in 1969. They have also made a beautiful collage of space and have written to Neil Armstrong to persuade him to take us with him to the moon



Frogs 95.0% 1 late	Spiders 92.3% 0 lates	Lions 94.5% 2 lates	Penguins 95.9% 1 late	Butterflies 94.4% 9 lates
Rhinos 95.0% 1 late	ATTENDANCE AND LATES WHOLE SCHOOL 94.2% 25 LATES Attendance target for year is 96.5% Year to date is 95.2%			Meerkats 96.8% 4 lates
Sharks 92.4% 4 lates	Ants 97.4% 1 late	Tigers 96.9% 1 late	Panthers 95.0% 1 late	Leopards 92.2% 0 late



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