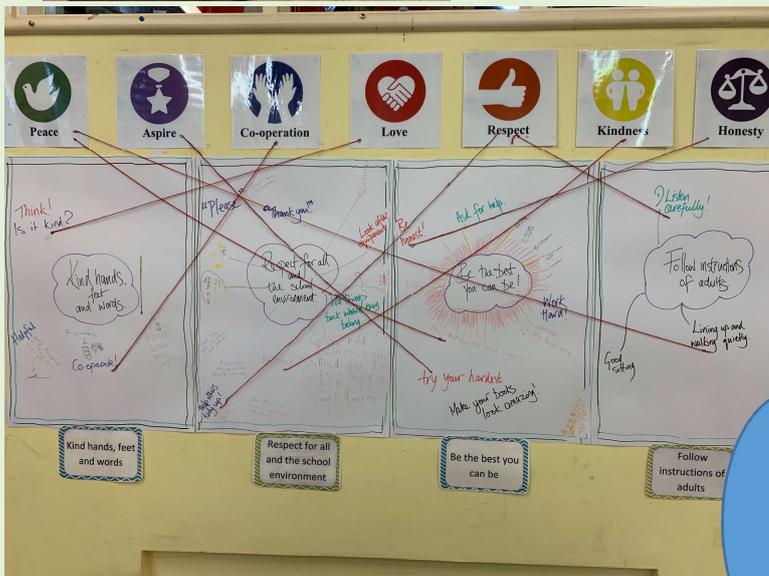
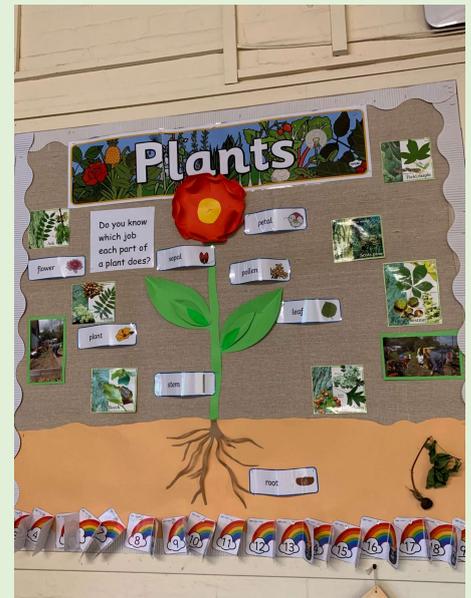




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PTA Events 2019-2020

10th July - Sports Day Picnic. The picnic will be a full meal with choice of breads, meats, fish, dips, savouries and cakes. Tickets will be on sale for £7 per head after half term

14th July – Anstey Fair. The school always run the games field and we need at least 4 volunteers an hour – a rota will be posted for people to sign up on the board after half term

19th July 5.30pm at the Woodman Inn - Leavers Disco

25th October – Halloween Party

5th December – Winter Wonderland Fair

6th June 2020 – Fairies and Fantastical Creatures Festival

Reading Cloud

We are delighted to pass on news that the reading cloud is ready!

This is a library system, which the PTA helped the school to acquire last year, which will help our children with their reading. On the system they can browse the list of books available in the library, reserve books, download and read eBooks, read book reviews to help in choosing books, write their own book reviews and learn more about their favourite authors!



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Messages from the Classrooms

Owlets have started their transition to nursery. They have been learning about the jobs people do and dressing up as doctors, firemen and shopkeepers.



Little Owls Year one have completed their phonics testing and all did their very best. They have started making fire engines out of milk cartons in design and technology

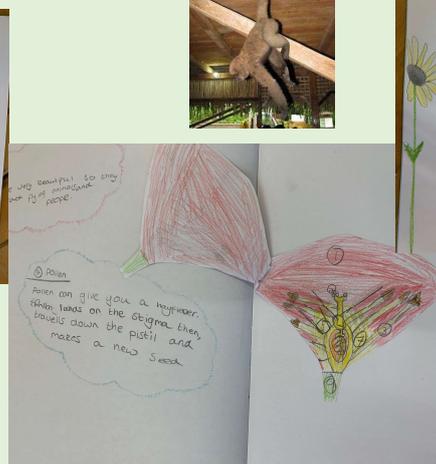


Fledglings have been learning about healthy eating and healthy living. They have also been doing project work around the Snow White and the Seven Dwarves story. The pictures are from the ongoing Spring project



The children have been learning what to do and what not to do with a puppy or a teacher!

They have been discussing the effects that bringing different animals into school could have (monkeys swinging in the rafters.....)



Wise Owls have been doing lots of musical activities – they have been learning 'Space Oddity' by Bowie to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Moon Landing and 'The Gift' by Glen Hansard. They have also been making some wonderful scrapbooks about plants



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A Note from Mrs Myers

Dear Friends and Families,

I hope this finds everyone well despite the dreary weather, hopefully, by the time this comes to you, things will have changed for the better and brighter. We are now on our last 5 weeks of school, hard to believe but true! We are still fully engaged in lessons and packing in as much learning as we can in these last few weeks but it also comes with some exciting trips and events. I am particularly looking forward to our KS1/KS2 mud run session.



I would like to say a big congratulations to our teachers who were chosen to be moderated by the local authority. This is a statutory exercise that the local authority must carry out annually. A school will typically have a moderation visit every 3-4 years. This year we were chosen to be moderated for our Year 2 pupils. It was a very successful session I am pleased to say Mrs Modeste and Mr Mckelvey were both commended for their knowledge of the children and the progress the children have made, as well as their rich knowledge of the curriculum. In fact, the moderation team said they wished all teachers they moderated were as knowledgeable and thorough as ours. A big thank you and congratulations to Mrs Modeste and Mr Mckelvey for their effort and dedication in teaching our children.

A little heads up...If you are interested Anstey staff will be trying to organize one off Summer Play Days over the Summer Holidays. These sessions will include a full day of forest school and other days such as cooking and crafts. These sessions will only go ahead if we have the interested numbers so please do let Mrs Vinton know and look out for further information coming out by email.

As always thank you all for always supporting our school.

Mrs Myers

Don't forget to check the Gateway for permission requests!

Dates and Events to Note

- **19th June** – Years 1 and 4 Primary Engineering STEM festival at MBDA Stevenage
- **25th June** – Owlets, Nursery and Reception Teddy Bear's Picnic at Hatfield Forest
- **28th June** – Interschool Sports at Roger DeClare school
- **3rd July** – Nuclear Race at Kelvedon Nuclear Bunker for years 1-4
- Date TBC – National Picnic Week Trip for Fledglings and Owlets to Hatfield Heath (with a picnic!)
- **8th July** – Bewilderwood (Note early start 7.45am, late return 6pm and packed lunch required)
- **10th July** – Sports Day and Picnic (Children to go home with parents at the end). Full lunch picnic £7 per head – tickets will be available from 1st July
- **11th July** – Transition Day (all pupils move up a year for the day)
- **14th July** – Anstey Fair at Anstey Bury. Volunteers needed!
- **17th July** – School Trip to Bewilderwood! Leaving school at 7.45am – see office newsletter for details
- **19th July** – End of Term. Assembly 1.15pm; School closes 2pm; Leavers disco at the Woodman Inn 5.30pm

Information on four 'activity days' which are being planned for the summer holidays in lieu of playscheme will be available shortly!

