



Perryfields Primary PRU



Friday 23rd September 2022

Please take the time to read and talk about the newsletter with your child. Thank you.

Welcome Back from Mr Hines!

Welcome to Perryfields for what will be another exciting year. As a school we are constantly looking to provide our pupils with engaging learning experiences. As you will see by reading this newsletter the children have already taken the most of the opportunities that we offer and gained extremely important knowledge and skills across the curriculum.

New Staff!

We welcome four new members of staff to our team. They will do a variety of jobs across the school and in supporting other schools with behaviour and relationships amongst their pupils.



Miss Ferman – Designated Safeguarding Leader



Mrs Moseley – Behaviour Consultant



Mrs Briggs – Behaviour Consultant



Mrs Moran – Listening Skills Teaching Assistant





The History Man!

The children had a wonderful time having first hand experiences with The History Man!

As part of our curriculum intent we seek to invite specialist visitors to Perryfields, so the children get extra opportunities.

The younger pupils learned all about the Fire of London and the older children explored the Greeks!



Book of the Month!

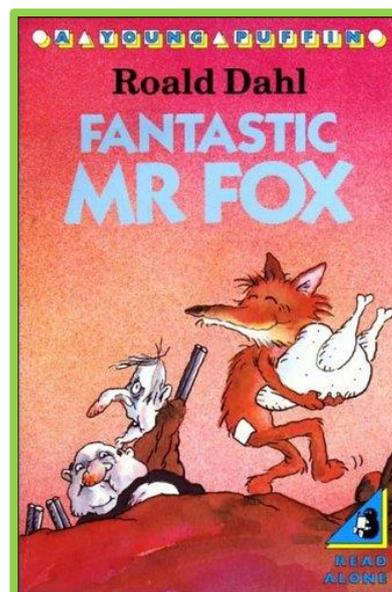
Staff: Mr Hines

Title: Fantastic Mr Fox

Author: Roald Dahl

Genre: fiction

Mr Hines' favourite book is Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl. He loves the way that Mr Fox and his family manages to get one over on Farmer Boggis, Farmer Bunce and Farmer Bean!



FUN FACT!

There used to be a time where we only had books to read. Lucky for us, we can access them in lots of different ways now. Whether it's online, an e-book or even an audiobook there are lots of ways to find your favourite stories.

Learning Powers

The Learning Power we are focusing on in September is **Curiosity**. With that in mind please bring in a photo or picture of something that you are interested and we will ask you all about it!

We want our pupils to:

- be interested in finding out information
- be inquisitive to learn new things.



Birthday Shout Outs!!

We would like to say a big September happy birthday to the following children and staff!

- Charlie
- Mrs Cole
- Miss Ferman
- Mr Tilley



Mr Grindrod's Quote of the Month!

Mr Grindrod has taken inspiration from Muhammed Ali for his quote of the month!

“Don't count the days; make the days count!”

Listening Activities

Mrs Moran has been working with the children on developing listening skills. They have worked really hard on this and are doing very well.



Personal, Social and Health Education

Using some resources from our learning scheme 'Jigsaw' Class 3 looked at values, opinions and identity. they talked a lot about online identities and how we and others may appear in social media etc.



Music

The children have been using our music scheme 'Charanga' to listen to, identify rhythm and express their opinions about different songs and pieces. They have also been learning how to play different instruments with our specialist music teacher from Severn Arts.



Music Fact

Music and movement experiences in a group teaches children how to be a good friend. Actively participating in a music class, impacts areas of social-emotional development, including confidence, curiosity, self-control, communication and collaboration. All key skills needed to be a good friend!

Personal, Social and Health Education

Using some resources from our learning scheme 'Jigsaw' Class 4 looked carefully at friendships And being part of a group.



Acton Mill Care Farm

We have continued with our visits to the farm. The children have experienced a number of things first hand and learned lots of things about:

- Moving animals from shelter to the open fields
- Feeding and caring for the animals
- Exploring woodland and stream beds
- Observing tractors moving heavy things
- Developing and monitoring a fishing technique



Well done to the winners of our design a new stamp for King Charles competition. The children were very creative and highly skilled in drawing their designs. It was very hard to choose the winners!



Bellboating!

A big thank you to Mrs Moran for organising two bellboating trips for the pupils. They learned the bellboating techniques and all about water safety. They took to the water very easily and were able to sail up and down the River Severn, taking in various local landmarks and wildlife! Such was the success of these trips the pupils are very keen to do this again in the Spring term.



Stay Active!

Taking part in sports is a really good way of staying physically and mentally healthy. Sports can boost your self-confidence as you learn new skills and become successful. It also helps mood, concentration and establishing healthy sleep patterns.



Pear Game Assemblies

During our daily Pear Game assemblies we have been looking at a variety of interesting themes and topics. These are designed to give the children extra knowledge of current affairs and an enriched view of the world around them. Various social, moral, spiritual and cultural themes are explored. So far we have looked at:

- Learning Powers
- Times Tables
- Author Study – Roald Dahl
- Learning about different authors
- Celebrating different languages
- Exploring behaviours and attitudes

Coming Soon:

Staying safe, space and technology, mental health, homelessness and healthy eating.



Roald Dahl Assembly

A big well done for all the children for taking part in the Roald Dahl celebration assembly. A big thank you to Keelan who even led parts of it!!!



Roald Dahl wrote his stories in a shed at the end of his garden using just a pencil and notepads.



Perryfields Wellbeing Zone!

We are committed to supporting the physical and mental health of our pupils and families. We will regularly signpost you to useful support organisations or resources that may help you and/or your child flourish in the community.

Samaritans – Tel: 116 123 or www.samaritans.org
Wellbeing Hub – Tel: 01905 766124 or http://worcestershire.wellbeinghub.org.uk
Worcestershire Healthy Minds Tel: 0300 302 1313 or www.worcestershirehealthyminds.whct.nhs.uk/
Mind – Tel: 0300 123 3393 or https://www.mind.org.uk/

Online Safety

If your child comes across something scary online, encourage them to;

- Stop what they are doing and turn off their screen or device
- Pause to take a breath and try to stay calm
- Think about something else that makes them happy
- Talk to an adult they trust about what they saw and how it made them feel

Top Tips for helping your child:

- Reassure your child that they are safe and can come and speak to you. Ask them to show you the video or game, and follow appropriate reporting procedures if you are concerned.
- Ask them about the content they are watching online, and if anything they've seen has ever made them or their friends upset or scared.

NSPCC.org.uk website has a tab for Keeping Children Safe. This tab contains further information about keeping your child safe online and how to report inappropriate content.

If your child is having nightmares or is anxious about something they've watched, it's important to have a conversation about expressing their feelings.

Online safety concerns around Poppy Playtime game and the character Huggy Wuggy

Poppy Playtime is a horror game that involves a lead character investigating a mystery in an old toy factory. "Huggy Wuggy" is a giant, horrifying blue creature with bulging eyes, wide red lips, and long limbs who follows you around as you try to complete the game. He appears in the dark unexpectedly to try and catch you. If you get caught, Huggy Wuggy bears his wide and sinister grin and eats you.

Children may also be viewing graphic, upsetting and creepy fan-made videos that are popping up on platforms such as YouTube and TikTok. There are lots of copycat versions to download and play on all app stores. None of these games are age-restricted.

