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MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS

David Maguire Visits Sandfield

On Monday, 29th January, David Maguire visited Sandfield for the day. He is an educational technology consultant who is helping Sandfield ensure that our computing / technology offer is the best it can be. David started the day in a meeting with our technology ambassadors, Twalumba, Theo and Martha, who discussed our Sandfield Vision and the things we are doing in school to achieve that.

<https://sandfield.surrey.sch.uk/school-ethos-vision-and-values/>

The children explained how the school is working towards achieving this in terms of the benefits of having a 1:1 device (one child – one iPad), the ability to personalise learning ensuring all children get what they need to make the best progress they can. They showed David the Apps they used regularly and projects they had completed using them, showcasing their learning across the curriculum. Finally, the ambassadors demonstrated how pupils use Seesaw every day. This platform allows teachers to send activities and support sheets to all pupils at their level and is also a vehicle to share their work and communicate with families.

David then taught three demonstration lessons in year 2, 4 and 6. He showed the children how to use green screen technology, which is an element of iMovie. In pairs children made short documentaries about toys, the rainforest and Matthew Henderson (North Pole explorer). The children and adults were amazed at how easy it was to use this App and how it can display their learning in a creative, unique way.

After school, David led a staff meeting, to show adults all the accessibility tools available on our iPads, which will enhance and support all children's learning. This was a highly successful training day for us, as Sandfield begins its journey to become an Apple Distinguished School.



Apple Distinguished Schools are centres of leadership and educational excellence that demonstrate a clear vision for learning with technology. These schools are some of the most innovative schools in the world. It will allow us to be part of a community which embraces and shares advances in educational technology. Currently there are 728 ADS schools in the world, spread across 36 countries and Sandfield wants to be part of that. We are a small school with big ambition!

<https://www.apple.com/uk/education/k12/apple-distinguished-schools/>

Enjoy your weekend

Best wishes

Mrs Collins and the Sandfield Staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly this week were:

Reception: Athena and Owen

Year 1: Zara and Hazel

Year 2: Minahil and Jeremy

Year 3: Henry and Luca N

Year 4: Leo and Lucia



Year 5: Ernie and Suzanna

Year 6: Freddie and Twalumba

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Reception Class

We had a new teacher join us this week! One of our very own children (we called him Mr.M) decided to take on the role of 'art teacher'. After his independent attempt at the art activity, he gathered groups of children to teach and helped them make theirs. He gave them step-by-step instructions, managed behavior, set high expectations and inspired his group of peers with his wealth of knowledge on collage, background, foreground and shapes. He has most definitely been hired for some future projects ;)

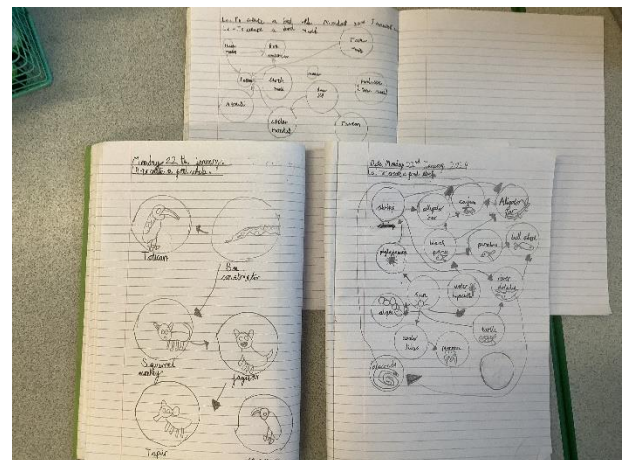
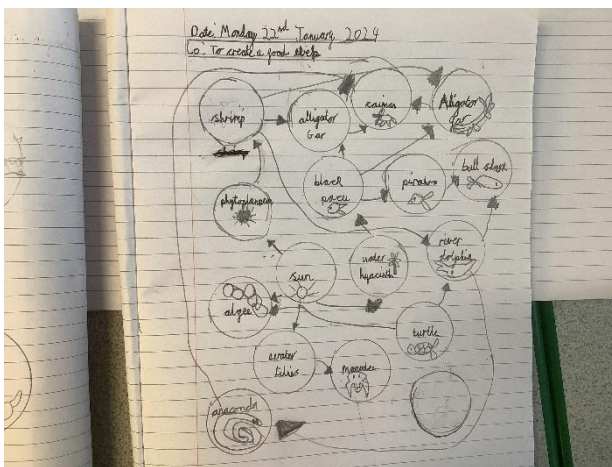


Years 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2 are continuing learning about The Great Fire of London, and in PE we recreated the events through dance. We enjoyed moving in different directions and creating different shapes with our bodies to show how the flames were spreading through London.

Years 3 and 4

We have been finishing off our food project this week. We have looked at the role of each animal in the food chain and then produced our food webs of the Amazonian animals. We learnt about producers, photosynthesis, predators and prey. Scarily, the anaconda can swallow a whole human and digest them over the course of weeks!



Years 5 and 6

In science, we investigated Darwin's theory of evolution where he stated that finches had evolved and adapted to their environment to survive. We explored which of the different beak types (chopsticks, tweezers, scissors and spoons) suited the varied diets of birds. After investigating, we found worms – strawberry laces! - were best suited to a long-pointed beak as they are often difficult to reach. Such a fun lesson...



MESSAGES & REMINDERS

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Second Hand Uniform: Please remember that we always welcome donations of good condition secondhand uniform. I am currently running low on most branded items and would welcome anything that has been outgrown so that it can be reused. If you have items to donate, please place them in a bag and hand them into me on that gate, or to the main office.
Thank you, Lucy Lidstrom, HSLW.

Our Next Sporting Fixtures: The following fixtures are all confirmed, weather permitting. If your child is selected to represent Sandfield, you will be notified 2 weeks prior to the event to complete any consent and lifts forms.

Sandfield Sporting Fixtures 2024

Date	Event	Year Group	Venue	Leaving School	End Time
Monday 11/03/2024	Netball Tournament	5	George Abbot School	15.15	18.00
Thursday 14/03/2024	Football	6	Weyfield Primary School	15.15	18.00
Thursday 21/03/2024	X-Country	5 & 6	Holy Trinity Pewley Down	15:15	16:30
Friday 22/03/2024	Netball-Surrey Storm	6	Surrey Sports Park	15.15	18.00
Tuesday 23/04/2024	Football	5	Holy Trinity Pewley Down		
Thursday 25/04/2024	X-Country	3+4	Boxgrove Primary School	15.15	16.30
Thursday 02/05/2024	X-Country	1 & 2	Boxgrove Primary School	15.15	16.30
Tuesday 18/06/2024	District Sports	3, 4, 5, 6	Spectrum Leisure Centre	11.45	16.30
Wednesday 19/06/2024	Girls Rugby Festival	4, 5 & 6	Stoke Park-Guildfordians Rugby Club	12.15	16.30

New or changed events in red

Reminders

Trips and Events: Please note that school trips are only possible if we receive parental contributions. Late contributions or missing contributions mean that we may not be able to run trips in the future and we would like to remind you to please always try and make contributions on time. If you have any questions about contributions, please contact Lucy Lidstrom, HSLW via Studybugs before any deadlines are due.

Year 6 Residential 2024: (3rd-5th July 2024) – 2nd instalment due on or before **29/02/2024**

Year 4 String Scheme: contributions of £20 to be paid on or before **22/03/2024**

School Clubs: Please make a note of all times and dates when booking each club, to ensure you collect your child on time.

