

Askwith Primary School - Extra Curricula Newsletter

Summer 1 - 2022



Arts Week

All children have enjoyed a very creative International Arts Week! Children in Reception and Nursery have been exploring African cultures. They were inspired by the photographer Thandiwe Muriu and created their own camouflage collages. The children also made their own Maasai necklaces using primary colours and pasta threading. Class 2 have been learning all about the culture of Japan. They created artwork inspired by the work of Yayoi Kusama and the traditional Japanese blossom trees. They have enjoyed listening to calming Japanese music whilst creating their traditional art including a recycled piece based on The Great Wave by Kanagawa by Hokusai. The children in class 3 have looked at the artist Jane Ash Poitras who created artwork related to the Cree tribes of North America. They have created paintings and their own totum pole sculptures. Class 4 children spent the week exploring Mexican culture. They have looked at the work of Frida Kahlo and been inspired by her resilience and robustness.



Wharfedale Performing Arts Competition

Some of the children who attended the drama club with Mrs Hughes this half term, took part in the Wharfedale Performing Arts Competition in the 'Choral Speaking' category. We are proud to say that they won 1st prize for their wonderful performance!



Otley Carnival Poster Competition

The children took part in a poster competition for the Otley Carnival Programme and we are pleased to announce that we had winning designs from Daisy, Florence, Elena, Ella and Joey! All designs will be featured in the programme.

Athletics Club with Premier Sports

The children have enjoyed practising their athletic skills in preparation for Sports Day!



Tennis Club and Lessons with Premier Sports

The children have had extra tennis lessons each Monday morning with Premier Sports. Premier Sports also ran a tennis club on a Thursday after school. The children have had lots of opportunities to practise their tennis skills for an upcoming inter-schools tennis tournament in June!



Class 1 Trip - Harlow Carr

The children in Reception had a wonderful day out at Harlow Carr. They were using their knowledge of plants to explore the gardens, draw flowers and trees and to discuss the life cycle of plants and what they need to survive.



Ukulele Club

The children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have thoroughly enjoyed ukulele club this half term with Mr Hills from North Yorkshire Music Hub. They have learnt how to play lots of different melodies on the ukulele.



Maypole Dancing

We had the pleasure of welcoming Mrs Wilson from the Buttercross Bells to teach maypole dancing to all of the children in school. We all had a fantastic time!

Debating club

The children have been debating topical issues such as the use of phones by children and young people and the positives and negatives of school uniform. Florence in Year 6 participated in a debate with Children's Parliament 2022.



Class 4 Trip - Nell Bank

The children in year 5 had thoroughly enjoyed taking part in various team-building activities which helped to develop their resilience.