

Snapshots of the Week

Week: 21st – 25th September

This week in **Year 5**, the children have been working hard to complete their self-portraits. They have spent their time building up their sketching skills by looking at shading, proportion and form and are now refining every detail on their final pieces. They look so realistic and we can't wait to get them up on display!

This week in **Year 6** the children have loved learning about the legacy of the Ancient Greeks and how they have had an impact on life today. They have written some great non-chronological reports about this era. Towards the end of the week we began our learning about volcanoes and the children are already eager to find out more.

VENTILATION IS KEY!

As the temperature begins to drop and the rainy days begin we would just like to remind you that we will continue to keep windows and doors open around the building to ensure effective air flow and ventilation. This is based on the government guidance published to schools. We ask that you ensure your child is dressed appropriately, such as wearing an additional layer under their uniform. We also ask that they bring a named coat to school daily.

SUPER SCIENCE

This week, as part of identifying a balanced diet, Year 8 pupils have been investigating the amount of energy found in different varieties of some of their favourite crisp snacks - Frazzles, Chipsticks, Snaps... To do this, they ignited the crisps in a Bunsen flame and then used the burning result to heat measured amounts of water, logging the overall temperature rise, and therefore energy levels. You'll have to ask your children, "out of the crisps investigated, which have the highest levels of energy in them?"



MARVELLOUS MATHS! In Maths Year 7s have been working on number sequences, finding missing terms and the term to term rule. Year 8s have been learning and applying angle rules, angles on a straight line and angles around a point. They've also been super busy completing assignments on Century Tech – keep up the great work!



PE WEEKLY CHALLENGE



WOW what a buzz these challenges have created! All the classes got involved and the results are in for who won the '20m in 20minutes challenge', well done Year 6!

1. **Year 6 – 13,930**
2. **Year 8 – 12,481**
3. **Year 7 – 11,852**
4. **Year 5 – 10,213**

This week the children have been busy completing the 'Bring Sally Up' squat challenge. Watch this space to see which year group will be the squat champions!

SAFETY FIRST

We would like to politely remind you when dropping off or collecting your children from school that you ensure the pathways are clear for the pupils. It is key that as adults we all model social distancing and do not gather in groups along the walk way. It is really important that our pupils' safety always comes first and they are not having to step out into the road to make their way past groups of adults. We thank you for working with us to continue to keep them safe on their way to and from school.

BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

We are aware that prior to the COVID restrictions many of our learners would celebrate birthdays and special occasions by bringing in sweets or cakes to share with their classmates. Sadly, this currently cannot happen under the current COVID restrictions as we continue to try and reduce the amount of items coming into school and going home daily. We thank you for your continued support with this and will ensure we still mark their special day within class.