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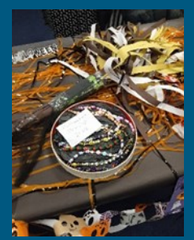
Oak Class: Halloween Fayre

After weeks of planning and hard work, Oak class hosted their much anticipated Halloween Fayre!

Pupils worked together to design and create all sorts of creepy crafts and terrifying treats to raise money for our class enterprise project.

From Dracula dentures to horrifying candy-filled hands, there were plenty of sweet treats to choose from, along with a stunning selection of spooky earrings and bracelets.




Assemblies

We are planning innovative ways to involve our learners in assemblies. We love getting our learners together, and, as we have many themes throughout the school year, we thought it would be a great opportunity to get excited about what will be happening in the month ahead.

Our learners are invited to a short assembly at the start of each month with a brief introduction to the themes ahead plus some short sensory activities that support these themes.

Recently, we had our first two assemblies:

September assembly:

- Launch of Student Council Elections.
- Roald Dahl Day.
- NSPCC: Speak Out and Stay Safe.

October assembly:

- Sukkot, a Jewish harvest festival.
- Black History Month.
- Halloween.






Celebration of Achievement

Not only will we have assemblies for themes of the month, but we will also celebrate every learner's success at the end of each half-term.

We love to celebrate each learner's achievements, no matter how big or small, and we want everyone to know how incredibly proud we are of you all.

We have given certificates to every learner at the end of this half-term to recognize the great work that they have completed.

Well done, everyone!

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Important dates

School closes for half term on Friday 27th October and reopens on Monday 6th November.

We close for the Christmas break on Tuesday 19th December and return to school on Thursday 4th January.

Dates to remember:

- World Science Day - 10th November
- World Kindness Day - 13th November
- Diwali - 13th November
- Anti-Bullying week—13th- 17th November

Themes of the Month

Learners have been working incredibly hard this half-term focusing on our monthly themes:

- The wonderful world of Roald Dahl
- British History
- The Jewish festival of Sukkot
- Black History Month
- Halloween

Coming up in the following half-term we will be focusing on:

- Anti-Bullying
- Children in Need
- Christmas

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Kiora Hall School.

What a wonderful start to our academic year! Our learners have settled in so well, and we are already seeing so much success.

Our newsletter will provide you with plenty of information and an overview of events of each half-term. We will show you what we have been getting up to in school and everything we have achieved.

We are incredibly proud of all our learners here and love to celebrate their success, no matter how big or small that is.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and gain an insight into the wonderful things achieved, planned and celebrated within school.

Happy reading…

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Kiora Hall: Talk Time

Annie Curry supports our learners through scheduled talk sessions.

Learners are able to talk to Annie about any worries that they may be experiencing.



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Kiora Hall Learners Meet the Police

Pupils at Kiora Hall have enjoyed a visit from the police.

Geoff from Cleveland Police held the first of a series of sessions called "Meet the Police". Pupils enjoyed

Geoff was greeted by some of the pupils in the hall and then he visited the other classes. Pupils were willing to join in, asked questions, and listened carefully to what Geoff had to say. The visit supported our British Values, and we are excited to see what the other sessions bring.



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Black History Month

To celebrate Black History Month, Lime class took part in a project to research the significance of the event and to explore the remarkable lives of influential people and inventors with black heritage.

We explored the lives of Rosa Parks, Barack Obama and Mae Jennison, discussing how they made history and established themselves as international role models. We discussed the obstacles they faced in becoming as influential as they are and the effects they have had on society.

We were also interested in researching other influential people with black heritage who were less well-known. We took part in conversations and created PowerPoints to demonstrate our understanding.



Visiting East Grange Farm

Sycamore and Hazel classes enjoyed a trip to East Grange Farm. The pupils looked at different types of pumpkins and were able to pick them themselves. They enjoyed using their numeracy skills to measure the pumpkins using different sized rings that were provided by the farm.



The surroundings of the farm provided lots of sensory stimuli for the pupils to explore. They really enjoyed climbing the hay bales and using their gross motor skills to push the wheelbarrows.



Cookery

Pupils in Lime Class made their own pizzas from scratch this week, starting with creating a shopping list and walking to a supermarket to buy their ingredients. This incorporated a range of independent living skills, which included road safety, searching for ingredients in a store, asking for support from employees, comparing the prices of items, and paying for goods.



While following the recipe, they made good use of the food and hygiene course they had previously completed and ensured they followed the basic regulations, so their pizzas were safe to eat.

Pupils have also been working on supporting team members and improving communications by developing their own football team, Lime FC. They have elected a captain and a manager who have been holding strategy meetings to discuss how they can work together and communicate within a match.

They assessed which of their strategies worked well in previous matches and which required improvement. The class has seen a significant difference in their ability to work as a team, their confidence, and the level of support they give their teammates.