



Quote of the Week:

"I have never met a person whose greatest need was anything other than real, unconditional love. You can find it in a simple act of kindness toward someone who needs help. There is no mistaking love, it is the common fiber of life, the flame that heats our soul, energizes our spirit and supplies passion to our lives."

Elisabeth Kübler-Ross

News from Sark School - 29/11/24

I hope this letter finds you well and that you are enjoying a wonderful term at our school. I wanted to take a moment to remind you of our school values, rules, and vision, as these principles are at the core of our learning environment and shape the fantastic community we have here at Sark School.

Our vision, a small school with big ambitions, guides us in everything we do, providing a clear direction for our goals. It helps keep everyone—staff, pupils, and parents alike—focused on our shared objectives. In conjunction with our vision, we adhere to the following values, which we affectionately refer to as the Sark Bees:

1. **Be Kind:** We encourage all our students to treat others as they would like to be treated. A culture of kindness fosters respect and builds a positive school atmosphere.
2. **Be Curious:** We strive for every child to try their best and embrace a love of learning. Curiosity is vital as it encourages our students to explore new ideas and develop critical thinking skills.
3. **Be You:** We celebrate individuality and encourage our pupils to have confidence and pride in who they are. Embracing one's uniqueness enriches our community and allows everyone to shine in their own way.

We regularly take these values and incorporate them into our assemblies. I wanted to share some heartwarming news from our recent school assembly focused on kindness. Our pupils engaged wonderfully with the theme, and two of our older learners took the initiative to write uplifting comments which they displayed around the school. These messages have created a lovely atmosphere, reminding us all of the importance of being kind. I encourage you to discuss this with your children and explore ways to incorporate acts of kindness into your daily lives. Simple gestures can truly make a difference in our community.

As we continue this academic year, I kindly ask for your support in reinforcing these values at home. Together, we can create a cohesive environment where children feel safe, motivated, and excited about their learning journey.

Have a great start to Christmas! The decorations are up and ready at Sark School!

Best wishes,

Michelle Brady



Around the classrooms - A weekly round up of what we've been getting up to



This weeks certificate winners.

Class 1

As part of our exploration of different cultures, we have been learning about Diwali, the Festival of Lights. The children thoroughly enjoyed making their own Diya lamps from clay, which they then decorated with vibrant colours. It has been heart-warming to see their creativity shine as they referenced the significance of Diwali in their artwork. These lamps not only represent the festival but also serve as a beautiful memento of their hard work and ingenuity.

We have continued to explore our local environment. The children have been singing delightful songs about birds, which ties in perfectly with our outside walks. These outings have provided a fantastic opportunity for the children to connect with nature, observe wildlife, and learn about the various sounds that we can hear in our local area.

Our PE sessions have also been a highlight, where the children have had immense fun with dance! They have embraced the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, bringing it to life through movement and storytelling. It's been a joy to see them express themselves so freely and enjoy the performance aspect of dance.



Class 2

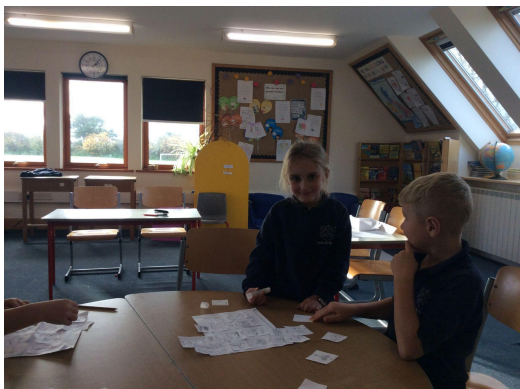
In this week's edition of Class 2's newsletter update, we are celebrating all things working together not just with each other but with children across the whole of Sark School, which Class 2 (and everyone in our school community) does so naturally and beautifully.

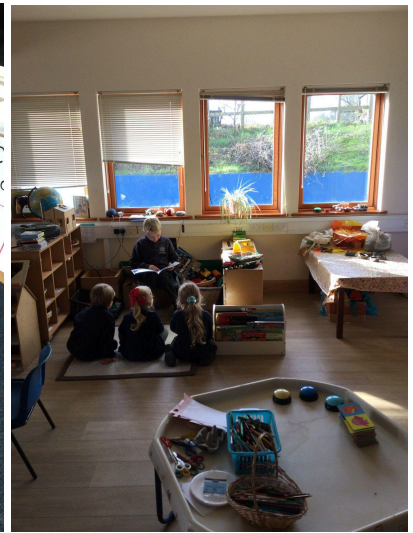
In reading time we sometimes like to take a trip downstairs to Class 1 and read to or with them, which everyone really enjoys, especially when we do silly voices and discuss the colourful pictures.

Three times a week, Eli and Sophie in Year 1 take a trip upstairs for a whole afternoon which everyone always looks forward to! At the moment we're writing and cracking important notes to each other in morse code as we continue on our timeline of communication in History; taking field trips to discover wildlife habitats great and small in Science and exploring different stories relating festivals of light in RE.

We've also all come together with Class 3 where we take a trip to the big hall, to get our hearts pumping in Circuit Training to finish off the week on a bang every Friday!

It's always lovely to see children of all ages at Sark School learning together, being curious, kind and helpful always.





Class 3

It is certainly beginning to look a lot like Christmas- the school is trimmed, there's a buzz of excitement in the air, and rehearsals are well underway for the nativity. Having said that, school life continues at the same pace. The children have all worked really hard on their reading and maths quizzes this week, so well done to them. In KS3 Science, the children have been exploring the periodic table, and classifying elements. In KS2, the children have made discoveries about the nature of light and colour- and were amazed to hear that colour came from reflected light, and not the objects themselves. They also discovered that it took three Elvis's to screw in a lightbulb- one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, now go, go, go. The children have also written a report on polar bears, started to write speeches and explored contours and treasure maps in Geography. Remember to encourage your children to read regularly at home, and Maths homework is available on their Purple Mash logins. Please get in contact if they have forgotten them. We are trimming the class tree today, and all are looking forward to December!





Enrichment

Enrichment next half term will be as follows;

Mondays - Nativity

Wednesdays - Christmas Crafts

A few dates	
12th December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children Christmas Disco 3:30-5pm
13th December	Christmas Fair
18th December	Nativity 6pm
19th December	School Christmas Party
20th December	Term ends 12pm

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To arrange a meeting with the Head of School, please email office@sarkschool.co.uk.

Alternatively, please feel free to drop-in to School any day between 8.00am and 8.15am



Be Kind



Be Curious



Be You