

d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

OneGov 'Team of the Year' Nomination

I am so proud to let you all know that the team at d'Auvergne has been nominated for the Government of Jersey 'Team of the Year'. This award *'recognises consistently outstanding teamwork. A team that strives to continually improve and provide the best services and has successfully introduced changes and improvements for the benefit of Islanders and service users.'*

We do hope that this description resonates with you, and how d'Auvergne particularly supported during lockdown. To be nominated is recognition of my colleagues' continued commitment to your school and our wider community. Whether we are short-listed or not for the final, it's just great to be in the mix. Go d'Auvergne!

Fitness Instructor

We are looking to recruit and employ a fitness instructor to help us out by running a small group from 8.00am – 8.30am for 3 mornings each week. If this is you, or you know someone who may be able to help, please let me know. Thank you.

Covid Update

There is lots in the news about Covid at the moment in relation to schools in Jersey.

We have a robust plan in place. We have been working very closely with CYPES and Public Health and are very clear on our procedures. With the bubble approach, limiting visitors, the distancing and the increased cleaning regime in school we are working extremely hard to avoid any such situation but we do have a very clear plan that we have "walked through" and have everything in place should we need it.

I should like to thank you for your trust in us and our systems – it really makes a difference. If you are going away at half-term, I would ask you to read the Government of Jersey Guidelines carefully and follow their procedures.

PTA News

Next Friday is our seasonal Fancy Dress day, £1 per family.

We shall also be running a Tuck Shop. For 50p, children will be given a bag of mixed sweets (more than 1 bag may be purchased per child).

To help us to be organised in advance of Friday, the children **MUST** bring their money to school on Monday or Tuesday and give it to their teacher. They will keep a note of who brings

the money in, and the children will be given their bag(s) of treats on Friday. Thanks in anticipation for your support.

School Awards

A reminder that every child in the school has the chance to win one of our School Awards every term. The awards are for effort, attainment or great behaviours. Additionally, the PTA are providing us with a special 'Community Award' to recognise community efforts beyond the school.

For example, is your son / daughter a carer? Do they fund raise extensively for charity? Do they help their neighbourhood in some way? If they do, please let us know and the PTA will consider them for the 'd'Auvergne Community Award'. The winners each term have their names engraved on the trophies as a record of their achievements.

As most parents can't get in to school at the moment, here is a picture of the wonderful display cabinet (provided this month by your PTA) with the trophies that your child could win:



Have a great weekend everyone,
Mr Cooper

Year Group Updates

Nursery

This week we have been looking at numbers from 0-10. Most of the children can count up to 10 which is fantastic. To move them on to the next challenge we now want to teach them the following skills:

1. Count objects one at a time. Encourage your child to touch each object as they count. Line objects up with even spacing to make this easy, then group them for more of a challenge.
2. Recognise the numerals. Point numbers out wherever you find them, number plates, traffic signs. Maybe make some number cards, practice number recognition. Muddle them up and re-order them for more of a challenge.

Put a photo or video on Tapestry to share how you got on.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Knight

Reception

Once again, it's been a busy week in Reception. We have spent a lot of time practising putting on our waterproofs and wellies but still have a way to go until we are independent. Please look out for an email coming soon about waterproof homework!

We continue our maths this week with the number 4, and once again any work you can do at home spotting, writing and counting forwards and backwards to and from 4 would be really beneficial. We have spent a lot of time looking at 4 sided shapes and the difference between squares and rectangles. Ask your child at home to find and name these shapes and see if they can explain the difference between the two.

We encourage the children to have a go at writing their name whenever and wherever possible. If your child is struggling with holding a pencil there are still many ways they can practice. Writing with their finger in sand or a tray of shaving foam or salt is lots of fun, as well as using paints or even just tracing over their name with their finger.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

The Reception Team

Year 1

We hope that you're enjoying the autumnal, crisp weather as much as we are!

On Monday, we had a fantastic trip to the woods. Thank you so much to those parents who came to support, these trips are not possible without you!

This week the children have worked on being independent, and have completed their first independent write for their special folders – well done! We wrote about our trip to the woods and everything that we learnt and did. On Thursday, we celebrated World Maths Day, working as a team to complete a maths problem about Noah's Ark.

Next week, we will be learning how to follow instructions and do some baking! We will be using this as a hook into writing and sequencing our own instructions. In our maths learning, we will be ordering numbers.

Please make sure you return any parent consultation paperwork into us as soon as possible so that we can start to book you in to speak to us.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Miss Fage and Mrs Prothero

Year 2

Wow what a fabulous week we've had in Year 2. On Monday, we heard that a discovery had been made in our forest school area and on further investigation, the children found dinosaur bones, possibly from an Ichthyosaur or T-Rex! We learnt how to write newspaper articles and wrote our own unaided piece for the d'Auvergne Daily Post. This next week, we will be writing these up neatly for our 'Beautiful Thing' books which will go on display at the front of the school.

We've enjoyed our third session with the netball coach this week, learning to pass the ball correctly by shaping our hands into a W. Please remember PE days are Monday and Tuesday.

We're still waiting for some replies for your choice of Parent/Teacher Consultations, please get those back to us by Monday 19th October so we can organise dates and times after half term.

All children have been invited to join our individual google classrooms and have been given their own log ins and passwords. Please accept the invitations so the children can have access to any online learning we may provide.

A polite reminder, our register in Year 2 closes at 8.20am so all children should be settled in class by then ready to start their learning. We encourage the children to be independent in Year 2 and to remember to bring everything they need for the day. They have had a fantastic start to the year, so a huge thank you to you all for your continued support with this.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lutkin-Clarke and Mrs Andre Brown

Year 3

What a fantastic week year 3 have had! They have been working extremely hard and have had an amazing Groovy Greek Day! We were so impressed with their costumes and how enthusiastic they all were. They did a wide variety of Ancient Greek activities and even had a tasting session! We are sorry you were unable to join us but keep your eyes peeled for some fantastic pictures of year 3 in character!_

This weeks achievers!

[Eden 3B](#)

[Rudairo 3GD](#)

[Luciana 3D](#)

If you have not done already, please ensure you have returned the slip specifying which form of parent consultation you would like. In addition, a gentle reminder to please ensure you have emailed your respective class teacher so they have your email for future reference.

Miss Banks, Miss Dunn and Mr Du Feu

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Year 4

Anyone walking by the Year 4 classrooms this week could hear the teachers asking the children to '*Now squeeze the poo out of your tights*'. This is not a statement we have had to say too often thankfully. What a sticky, messy week of Science we have had! The children have all demonstrated how to make poo with bananas, biscuits, a splash of orange juice, a dash of water, a sandwich bag and one leg from a pair of tights. Yes...it was noisy, fun and at times gross, but it was a lesson none of us will forget.

We have moved onto Addition and Subtraction in maths and to support their times tables learning, the children should all now have completed their ten 'Studio' rounds on TTRockstars. Please check with your child at home. If they have not done this, please allow them some time online to try.

We have been really impressed with the Handwriting homework. If the children complete the unit for the week before a Friday, they can bring the packs in on any day and we will check them as they come in. Please remind the children that they should be writing in between the blue/grey lines on the page. The letters **y,g,f,j,p,q** have 'tails' going below the line. The letters **h,t,l,k,b,d,f** have tall necks that go above the line.

Viking Day – Wednesday, 4th November:

After half term, the Year 4 topic will be Invaders and Settlers. On Wednesday, 4th November, we are going to have a Viking Day. The children can dress up as much or as little as they want for this day. We would suggest anything in the shades of brown or grey, using rope or leather for tying or even fake furs/animal skins. Hair was often plaited and chunky, wooden jewellery would have been worn.

Any questions or queries then please do get in touch,
best wishes,

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Year 5

What a successful week we have had.

We started the week in the Makerspace, designing and painting our Solar System orrery. During the week, we copied up our myths in our best handwriting, started our new Maths topic (Addition and Subtraction), and studied Sir Isaac Newton in our Science lessons.

Achievers this week:

5KL – Max, for consistently working his hardest. Max has shown he will put in 100% effort in all subjects both at school and at home. Well done Max, keep it up!

5H – Anya, for consistently working hard in and out of the classroom. This week your myth was fantastic and super neat. The pride you take in your work is above and beyond the d'Auvergne standard. Well done Anya, keep it up!

5L – Simao, for working so hard in all that he does. His constant graft is starting to pay dividends with the brilliant myth story he produced.

We have more exciting news regarding trips. We are heading to Kemp Tower to do some bushcraft and outdoor activities. The date for this is 6th November 2020. As always, parent helpers are needed, so your support would be greatly appreciated. Please contact your child's class teacher if you are available to help.

We hope you have a great weekend.

Year 5 Team.

Year 6

This week in Year 6 we have been looking at how to use branching databases to help us categorise different types of animals and plants.

Using categorising we also enjoyed our World Maths Day challenge of finding out how many different combinations of animals Noah could have seen when he counted 12 pairs of legs boarding the Ark.

Next week we are all very excited about the inter-house football tournament on Monday (please come in PE kits!) and getting the opportunity to write our own adventure stories in the style of our class text 'The Secrets of Platform 13'. Will the prince ever get back through the Gump?! We'll find out!

This week our achievers are Alexander R from 6W for his fabulous progress with times tables and incredible increase in confidence in Mathematics as a whole.

6AW's achiever this week is Niamh for fantastic effort with her handwriting! Well done Niamh

