# d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Head Teacher's Comments**

#### Year 6

I have had the pleasure of spending significant time with Year 6 over the last week, as they took part in their residential week. Coasteering; paddle boarding; surfing; art; percussion orchestra; walks; crazy golf; bowling; Jump Jersey; story performers; fire starting; bell boating; the Minquiers; Leavers' Assembly; Jersey dining experiences....the list goes on. The activities were thoroughly enjoyed by all and I congratulate the children for throwing themselves into them; I hope that they gained much from the experiences.

My sincere thanks to all the team who stayed, helped out, lifted / shifted and organised for their assistance – a great d'Auvergne effort to put this together at Covid-enforced short-notice.

To those parents who were with us on Thursday evening, it was lovely to see you at our Leavers' 'Assembly' and for the many kind words offered by so many about d'Auvergne – very much appreciated.

## **PTA Smarties Challenge**

All of that bedroom tidying / dishwasher emptying / vacuuming paid off as you raised £1,195! Amazing 'work' everyone – particularly Charlie and her team.

#### Covid

Following yesterday's communication from Mrs Nelson (School Business Manager) you will be aware that we had a confirmed case of Covid 19 in school yesterday.

As always, high hygiene levels must be maintained – plenty of handwashing before school please, and may I again remind you that if your child is presenting with symptoms that you must keep them off and check with the helpline, 445566. Thank you.

### **School Reports**

These will be coming home on Monday, with the exception of Year 6 (Tuesday). It is important to us that we receive your feedback, so please use the reply slip enclosed in the report. Thank you.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Mr Cooper

## **Year Group Updates**

## Nursery

This week we have had a wonderful time with lots of singing and dancing. Jackson taught us all the 'Footballs Coming Home' song, we sang our hearts out on the Disney train and we've been doing lots of Cosmic Kids Disco (our all-time favourites).

There are the links to the Cosmic Disco songs for you to enjoy at home!

Hot Air Ballooning:

https://youtu.be/dtQ72qRpVVE

Bunny Hop:

https://youtu.be/9gV85rd3yTc

Washing Machine Song:

https://youtu.be/dw-0bmtDPnk

The children were absolute superstars on our trip this week, they loved the Disney train and were so well behaved, we are extremely proud. We are looking forward to welcoming you all in next Wednesday the 14th of July at 11:30 for you to hear our lovely songs which we have been learning.

We hope you have a well-rested weekend; we look forward to a fun last week of term however, we will be very sad to see these wonderful children move onto Reception. The Reception Team are very lucky to be gaining such a fantastic group of little people!

See you for our last week of Nursery!

Mrs Knight

## Reception

As the end of term approaches, we have been reflecting on our time in Reception and discussing what we are looking forward to next year. The children have been spending some time meeting and getting to know their new teachers and teaching assistants, who have all been impressed by their enthusiasm for Year one!

Maths learning has been a continuation of repeating patterns and the children have been set open ended challenges of finding patterns that fit within a specific frame.

We have decided to unlock all the relevant areas of Mathletics so your child can access them throughout the break. Please continue to work on these important Maths skills regularly so your child doesn't forget their learning during the long summer holidays.

Mrs Kruk, our EAL lead, has also highlighted a really useful website that you can access at home with fun literacy activities based around a range of stories and songs. Please find the link below.

https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/

Finally we ask that **all** RWInc materials are now returned to school by Monday 12th July. We remind you that there will be a charge for items not returned.

Please see the photos below of examples of materials to be returned:









Many thanks
The Reception Team

#### Year 1

This week in maths, we have been talking about positional language to describe different movements and turns. For example, forwards, backwards, up and down, half turn, full turn, quarter turn, three quarter turn, clockwise and anticlockwise! WOW - so many new words. Please could you continue using these words at home to consolidate our learning.

Thank you for bringing in such interesting items for show and tell this week. We have enjoyed listening to the confident speakers and practising using our question words - why, where, when, how and who?

We have assessed your children in RWInc this week - they will find out their new groupings in September ready for Y2. Please continue to read with your child every night and over the summer holidays, focussing on fluency and pace as this is what is currently preventing many children from moving into the next group.

Next week, we will be continuing our PSHE learning on 'Changing me' by talking about changes that have happened in our living memory, to support us with this please could you either send your child into school with a **named baby photo** for us to photocopy, or email a picture to <a href="mailto:h.fage@dauvergne.sch.je">h.fage@dauvergne.sch.je</a> or <a href="mailto:s.prothero@dauvergne.sch.je">s.prothero@dauvergne.sch.je</a> BY MONDAY - thank you!

As always, thank you for your support.

Miss Fage and Mrs Prothero

#### Year 2

In maths, we have continued to work on position and direction. We have used vocabulary such as forwards, backwards, quarter turn, half turn, clockwise and anticlockwise to describe movement. It would be useful if you could revisit this vocabulary at home.

Following on from our poetry workshop with Ian Bland, we have written our own acrostic poems based on us. We have used all our language skills, to write descriptive poems about ourselves. We have realised how wonderful we all are!

You will notice that the children are beginning to bring home old workbooks. Their current workbooks will remain in school for use in Year 3.

Thank you for your continued support this year, what a fabulous group of children.

Mrs Andre Brown and Mrs Lutkin-Clarke

## Year 3

This week, the children had a fantastic visit to Master Farms. The children's behaviour was excellent and they enjoyed learning about how milk gets from the cow into the supermarket, as well as seeing many dairy cows and baby calves. One group even saw a calf which had just been born and saw it stand up and attempt to walk for the very first time! In class, the children have been writing their own version of the story, 'Stone Age Boy' where a child falls down a hole and goes back in time to the Stone Age!

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Miss Banks, Miss Dunn and Mr du Feu

#### Year 4

It's the penultimate week of Year 4 and the children have been busy planning and writing their own underwater themed dilemma stories. What would you do if...

...you were trapped inside an underwater cage, surrounded by circling sharks and running out of air?

...you were deep sea exploring and discovered a rare type of gold on the seabed but it was too heavy to lift and you knew that pirates were on their way?

In the Maker Space, the newly designed games are well on the way. There was 'a first' engineering process experienced this week. The children learned how to create Cyanotype prints for the background pictures of their games. It involved a special blue ink, sea weed, gravel, elastic bands, paper, a cardboard box and lots of sunlight! Encourage the children to explain to you what they did. The results were fantastic!

Please could all the children bring in a plastic bag for Monday. More than one might even be helpful. We would like to send home some things and it is useful for the children to be able to carry them in something.

Have a wonderful weekend, Best wishes, Mrs. L, Miss. S and Mrs. W!

#### Year 5

It has been another busy week in Year 5. We have continued with converting units of measure in maths, we have finished our poetry in writing and designed some fantastic moving cars in the Maker Space.

All the children have now met their new teacher and seen their classroom for next year. They all seem very excited.

We thank you for your consistent hard work and support this year, it is much appreciated. A final gentle reminder, could all school library books and all school football kits be returned next week. Library books to class teachers and football kits to Mr Lim.

#### Achievers:

5H: The whole of 5H!! What an absolutely smashing job you all did at the States Chambers. It was great to see so many of you participate in a formal debate and give public speaking a go. It has been a terrific year and I thank you all for your extremely hard work!

5KL: Sandra for always being amazing. Sandra never gives up and always strives to do the best she can. Well done Sandra, you have shown you are ready for Year 6.

5L: Melisa for being such a hardworking and eager student in all that we do in 5L. She will always give 100% and this will bode her well in the future.