

d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

Head Teacher's Comments

I am hoping this update finds everyone enjoying the start of their Easter holidays. We finished the term celebrating many significant achievements by the children. Termly shields, trophies and cups were handed out to worthy winners who have been trying hard in a range of contexts – many congratulations to all!

Additionally, dozens of art and French Eisteddfod certificates were distributed – including an **UNBELIEVABLE 8 PLATINUMS!** This is a remarkable achievement, as they are incredibly tough to come by...normally, schools only win a couple each year. Well done everyone!

Jersey Sings / Choir

Congratulations to all involved in Jersey Sings on Wednesday afternoon – you may have seen us on the news! As usual Mrs Prothero lead from the front, with her infectious enthusiasm being caught by all the children from different schools at the event.

Additionally, we have the received an invitation for a 30-strong choir to sing at Government House in mid-June, a real privilege!

Cake Sales

We raised nearly £250 for Charity from the sales of cakes last week – what a fabulous job by our dedicated team of bakers!

School Uniform

A reminder that children are to wear summer uniform (striped dresses for those who chose) from the start of next term.

We have very many quality summer dresses and grey shorts available in our Second Hand Uniform at school – just pop to the office and the team will be very happy to help you. Some of the items are nearly BRAND NEW – so grab yourself a bargain.

On the first day of term we shall be walking around school and trying to hand back all the UN-NAMED LOST PROPERTY. Any remaining will be put on the fence at the end of the day for collection by parents – help yourselves! There are very many un-named, quality items that we simply can't reunite with the owner because they are not named.

Laptop Moneys

Our Key Stage 2 children all have a laptop, for which we request £10 per term. The office team will be sending reminders to those who have not made their contribution. If you are struggling with this cost, please do contact me. Thank you.

French Google Classrooms for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Mrs Kruk would like to remind all children in KS2 and their families that French Google Classrooms have been created for each KS2 year group.

All children are requested to accept the invitation to the French Classroom where they can find songs, presentations and other resources to practise at home French topics currently studied in lessons in school. 'Little and often learning' is most effective way to study a foreign language, therefore, we encourage all children to visit Google Classroom as well as log in frequently on linguascope.com (login and password in children's diaries).

Happy Easter – Joyeux Paques,

Mrs Kruk

Ready...Steady...Write! Spring Term Winners

The winners of our home-writing poetry competition this term are:

Rec: Seth (RS), Freddie (RM)

Y1: Mollie-Jay (1M)

Y2: Elsie-May (2LC)

Y3: Erin (3GD)

Y5: Esme (5W)

Y6: Nina (6A)

Well done to all who took part – 2 House Points to everyone who entered!

Have a great Easter everyone. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 26th April.

Take care,

Mr Cooper

Year Group Updates

Nursery

Wow – what a term.

We are happily sending home some very tired 3 and 4 year olds (and the odd tired adult too!). It really has been a busy term and it was lovely to welcome some parents in last week to see what we get up to.

I am looking forward to chatting to you all after the holidays about what your children are doing individually and with a few targets to move them forward.

We all hope you have a wonderful, safe and sunny 2 weeks – and look forward to welcoming in the children for their last term in Nursery!

Team Nursery

Reception

Well done to all of the children on another busy and successful term in Reception.

Your child will be sent home with a home learning pack that is relevant to their next steps in Literacy and Maths. Please practice these at home during the holidays.

Literacy

We are now focusing on learning red words and being fluent and confident with blending and segmenting green words. If your child has received red words, please practice at home. All children should continue to practice blending CVC words (green words) at home.

Handwriting Workbook

Your child will receive another workbook to complete for handwriting. Please return this handbook by **Friday the 29th of April**.

Maths

Your child should receive the following in their book bag:

- 1 Partitioning to five template
- 1 Partitioning to ten template
- 1 five frame
- 1 tens frame
- 10 star counters

The children are familiar with the partitioning template as we use them daily at school.

Please use the counters to make various groups to 5 and 10. for example: If 2-star counters are in one circle then 8 counters would need to go in the other circle. Explore how many ways you can split 5 and 10.

The five and tens frame are also regular tools that we use to partition numbers to 5 and 10. Essentially this is the same concept, however children can further embed their learning using various methods to partition numbers to 10. The children will use the term 'number bonds' to explain partitioning.

If you have any questions regarding the home learning, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Mitchell or Mrs. Sweeney via email.

Have a wonderful Spring Holiday and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in the summer term!

Many thanks,

The Reception Team

Year 1

This week we have been learning about 2D shapes; reminding ourselves of their names and discussing their properties (sides and corners). We looked at squares, rectangles, triangles and circles and spoke about where we see might see them in the world around us.

We continued to build on our pirate stories and writing them using the structure of beginning, middle and end. After writing the beginning (introducing the character and the setting), the middle of our stories was where the problem occurred and the end was how the problem was solved. We thoroughly enjoyed reading the final pirate stories!

We look forward to seeing the children back after the Easter break.
Have a lovely holiday and take care.

The Year 1 Team

Year 2

What a busy term we have had. The children are ready for a break, they have been working so hard and should be proud of their efforts.

Next term, our topic will be 'Islands', you will find some topic vocabulary in your child's bookbag, please spend some time looking at these words over the holidays. We are hoping to visit our neighbouring island of Sark! More details to follow shortly... 😊

PE days will continue to be on Monday and Tuesday for both 2F and 2LC.

Easter holiday challenge: children need to learn to tie their own shoelaces. If your child is unable to do this, please ensure that they have a pair of velcro shoes.

We hope that you have a lovely, restful easter break. We are looking forward to seeing you at 8:15 on Tuesday 26th April.

Miss Fage and Mrs Lutkin-Clarke

Year 3

This week, Year 3 have been continuing to learn how to tell the time. The children are becoming much more confident with this topic but it still is challenging for many children so please do continue to support them as much as possible with this at home.

In writing, the children have created some wonderful leaflets promoting a variety of zoos and conservation trusts they have researched using their laptops. They have used persuasive language, key information and an eye-catching layout to help encourage people to pick up the leaflet and visit the zoo.

The children enjoyed their final yoga session this week and are looking forward to starting tennis after Easter.

The PE days will remain on a Monday and Wednesday for Summer term 1.

Spellings and handwriting will be given out after the school holidays.

We hope you all have a wonderful Easter and look forward to seeing you and your children in a couple of weeks.

Kind regards,

Miss Banks and Miss Dunn

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Year 4

What a busy week! What a busy half term!

We are all immensely proud of Year 4. They have adapted so well to the changes we have had to make with staffing and timetables - some very last minute too. We are in no doubt they are well on their way to being ready for Year 5 and all fully deserving of a well-earned rest over Easter.

Next half term, the children will be swimming every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Please make sure that they are in school promptly on these days as we have a very tight timetable at Haute Vallee, where we will be walking to. A separate letter has been sent to give you more information on this and what they need to bring.

If you think you can help us walk to the pool and back on any of these days, please get in touch as soon as possible. We really could do with the additional help.

A special mention must go to the Jersey Sings team who totally rocked at the Radisson. We thought that the children represented the school with pride and were by far the best dressed, top singing and most entertaining group present. The BBC and ITV crews clearly thought so too! One sunny day next term, Mrs. Prothero has said that we will be asking the singers to repeat the event at school and this time with all the songs they practiced!

Have a wonderful Easter break and we look forward to seeing all the children on Tuesday, 26th April. As always, please do ask if you have any questions,
Best wishes,

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Year 5

What a busy week to end a busy term. The children have worked so hard to finish off a whole host of tasks this as we bring our 'Pharaohs' topic to an end.

In Maker Space, final details were added to our clay models, ready to be displayed in our year group pyramid. Take a look at the images below - it looks amazing! We also added the final codes to our Scratch game, to incorporate a timer and score!



In Maths, we continued our chapter on decimals, reading, writing and comparing decimals. For this we needed to make sure we have a solid understanding of place value and could convert decimals into fractions. Could your child explain which decimal is bigger and why, 0.12 or 0.1? Try to ask them to include the vocabulary: tenths, hundredths.

In writing, we organised our notes about the ancient Egyptian hierarchy system from our research last week into subheadings. We then looked at examples of facts files and wrote our own in our books, remembering to make them visually appealing, as well as writing to engage the reader.

Thank you for all your support throughout the term. We hope you have a wonderful Easter holiday and are looking forward to the final term in Year 5, where our topic will be 'A Child's War'. Please remember the date **Thursday 28th April** as our themed topic day (letter went home with information regarding the day/clothing).

Our PE days for Summer 1 will be a Monday and a Wednesday.

Finally, we want to wish Miss Leighton all the very best for this upcoming weekend as she is getting married! We all send our best wishes and all the happiness for the future.

Best wishes,

Year 5

Year 6

It has been a fantastic final week of the Spring Term in Year 6!

In maths, we have continued looking at coordinates and geometry, in geography we have been comparing physical and human geography, and in reading we have smashed some Cracking Comprehension. Our rugby session with the Jersey Reds players this week has been wonderful, and the children are all showing some real progress!

A few notes for next term:

- Please ensure your children are taking good care of their laptops and laptops are brought in fully charged each day.
 - PE Days next half term are:
 - **Monday 6A ONLY**
 - **Tuesday (Gaelic Football)**
 - **Wednesday (Netball)**
 - **Friday (Jersey Sport).**
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- **SATS practice.** Your children have come home with two SATS practice papers for them to complete over the holidays. It is incredibly important these are completed as our SATS (KS2 Assessments) aren't very far away and we want the children to be as prepared as possible. There will also be extra resources added to google classroom, should you wish to access them. Thank you for your continued support with this.

We hope your children have a lovely time over the holidays and come back ready to hit the ground running.

Home Learning

Spelling: Any spellings you struggled with over the term, make sure to give them a practice.

Maths: Keep going with TT rockstars and go back through any Mathematics tasks you may have struggled with over the term.

Reading: Keep reading over the holiday period!

Writing: Well done to those who entered the writing competition. Mrs Wilkinson tells us there was some fantastic poetry.

SATS Focus: Maths, SPAG and Reading pack (x2)
