

# d'Auvergne Weekly Update

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Head Teacher's Comments

### Transition

We hope that our Year 6 pupils had a fabulous time at their new secondary schools over the last couple of days. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July, the rest of the school will have the opportunity to meet their new teachers.

As per our 'Class Mixing Policy' (available on our website) we have blended some year groups this time. Some year groups are slightly out of synch in the timing of this, as we didn't want to change many classes last year when we were in the thick of Covid.

### d'Auvergne Football Team Crowned Champions at Primary Schools Showcase

Massive congratulations to our Year 6 footballers (and Mr Henderson!) for WINNING the show-piece Ron Lobb tournament for Primary Schools at Springfield recently.

Being crowned the best team, beating de la Salle in the final, is a very significant achievement and has put us at the top of a very talented pile! Well done Team d'Auvergne!

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### Portuguese Lessons with the Camões Institute

I have received this amazing news from Isabel Matos, who teaches children from around the Island about one of our pupils:

*"It is with great pride and joy that I would like to announce that Kelly Mendonça of d'Auvergne School has won the **Prize for Best Student 2021/2022 (Year 3) in the Camões Institute in the UK and the Channel Islands.***

*She will be invited to receive her prize and diploma at the Embassy of Portugal in London, on the 8th of July 2022, in a special event with the presence of His Excellency Ambassador Nuno Brito and the Director of Camões Institute in the UK and the Channel Islands / Attaché for Education Affairs, Regina Duarte."*

Very well done Kelly! This is an INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT!

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### Children's Rights Day on Monday

We are excited to celebrate our first Children's Rights Day on Monday.

Don't forget that children can come to school **dressed in blue and white clothes** (UNICEF colours) for a donation of £1 per family. Monies raised will be used to purchase as many 'schools in a box' that we can.

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### Music to Listen to in July

In school, we continue to listen to a variety of music to enrich our knowledge. Here are the tunes for the coming month:

The Dance by John K Miles

We Will Rock You by QueenOye

Como Va by Santana

Why don't you by Gramophonedzie

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### Vaccination Programme Update

Please see the attached information informing parents of the arrangements for the second paediatric COVID-19 vaccination doses for 5 to 11 year olds and the new Rock Up clinics starting this Saturday.

### Secondhand Uniform

A last-minute reminder that we have very many quality Second Hand items for sale this afternoon. Many thanks to Mrs Nobgrega for your help in sorting the mountain!

Have a great weekend everyone.

Mr Cooper

### Year Group Updates

#### Nursery

What a strange week we have had parents! We have had more **illness** than the winter; coughs, sneezes and plenty of snotty noses throughout the Nursery.

We have however managed to watch our **butterflies** grow and ultimately get released into the wild – you may see them as you explore the island this weekend.

On **Monday** we are heading to the Sand Dunes as you know. Please could your child bring their lunch in a disposable bag if possible? For example, no lunch boxes and sandwiches wrapped in foil. I appreciate there is an environment aspect to this request – but if you could bare it in mind that your children will need to carry and eat their lunches at La Braye.

In addition; hats / suncream / weather appropriate clothes reminder!

Covid protocols withstanding, we will also be welcoming in mums next **Tuesday** morning to see how our day starts and then the dads will be heading our way next **Friday**.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr du Feu & Team

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## **Reception**

We have had a busy week in Reception continuing to explore being proud of who we are. To celebrate this we had a parade on Friday where we waved flags and sang songs.

As mathematicians, we continue to explore using number lines for addition and subtraction – something that is also a part of the Year One curriculum. As writers, we have been writing independently about what makes us proud.

Thank you for your continued support across the curriculum, it is a delight to see the children become increasingly confident and ready for the challenges of Year One. Keep it up!

## **Year 1**

We have had another wonderful week of learning!

In maths, we have measured money, time, mass, and volume. We need lots of practical consolidation around these topics, so please get your rulers and measuring jugs out at home. We have posted videos on our Google Classrooms to support this, so please ensure your child is signed up.

We have been lucky enough to have a visit from Nicola, from Jersey Library. This is a great resource to access, particularly over the Summer and membership is free. Keep an eye out for the Summer Reading challenge.

Over the next week, your child will be learning about their body parts, and the correct terminology in PSHE. If you have any question around this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Even though we are close to the end of term, please keep reading and please keep practising spellings.

Many thanks,

Year 1 Team

## **Year 2**

Another cracking week from Year 2!

In maths we have continued learning about time, durations of time, start and end times.....everything to do with time!

Keep practising at home with some word problems e.g. *It 2:35 and we need to be at the cinema for 3:05. How many minutes do we have to get there? The film starts at 3:25 and lasts for 1 and a half hours. What time will the film finish?*

Now that the children know who their Year 3 teacher will be, we've begun writing letters to them, telling our new teachers all about ourselves; what we like learning, what hobbies we enjoy and what we are looking forward to in Year 3. We know for some children (and parents), this will be an anxious time and they may be worried about the challenges of 'harder' work or not being with all their classmates that they've been familiar with for the last few years but this is an opportunity for them to create new friendships and work alongside different children which I'm sure you'll agree is a positive thing. Please

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reassure your children that year 3 will be exciting and they'll get chance to try it out during our transition afternoon on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Any worries or concerns, please email us.

Next week, we have a Rights Respecting day on Monday and our visit to Sark on Thursday. All information regarding this trip has been sent out and can be found on our google classroom. Please, email Mrs Lutkin-Clarke if you are unsure about anything. We have a great team of staff accompanying us on the day and we have all done this trip many times, so it's set to be a fantastic day!

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all bright and breezy on Monday morning.  
Mrs Lutkin-Clarke and Miss McEnery.

### **Year 3**

This week, year 3 have written some fantastic historical fiction stories, travelling back in time to the Stone Age! The children have worked hard to include many of the writing skills they have learnt this year and we have been particularly impressed with how many of the children have correctly used direct speech and apostrophes within their work as these can be tricky to fully understand. The children will continue to develop their story writing skills, along with learning about direct speech and apostrophes, in year 4.

In reading, we have been continuing with our class text, Stig of the Dump and the children have enjoyed doing some whole class reading. The children have created wanted posters to try and help the police catch the thieves that robbed the house of Barney's grandmother.

### **Year 4**

*The Year 4 teachers have now handed over the Newsletter writing to a team of keen reporters. Each week this will continue and you can see the names of our reporters in the sign off below.*

Last Friday we went to Elizabeth Causeway to meet with the conservationists at Jersey Marine Conservation. We got to look at lots of different marine species such as starfish, lug worms, goby fish, and crabs. Some of us tidied the beach of litter and also did some sketching. It was a brilliant opportunity to learn more about our important coastlines in Jersey.

This week, year 4 have been learning how to code a bubble pop game on scratch so they have ideas to code an underwater game. In PE, we have been training our hockey skills and rounders.

In maths, we were measuring the perimeter of shapes. Perimeter is the total length of the outside of a shape. For our help we used a ruler to measure each side of the shape.

In reading, we had some of our parents watch our reader's theatre. We read some of chapter 1 of *Why The Whales Came* by Michael Morpurgo.

In writing, we have been using a dictionary to find out what 'dilemma' and 'consequence' mean for our Dilemma Stories work.

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These updates have been written by Xavier, Tadhg, Tristan, and Logan.

Thank you to our parents visiting our classes this week. It has been lovely to welcome you back into d'Auvergne and we are sure you are so proud of the year 4 group just like we are!

The achievers this week are:

4KB - Caelan - Your efforts this week in doing your best in your work have not gone unnoticed. Fantastic labelling of Jersey's beaches in geography. Keep it up!

4L - Dylan - For teaching Harry the most important life skill... How to crack an egg at Forest School!

4RB - Bonnie Toner - For being an *excellent* batter in rounders. When Bonnie 'The Bolt' is holding the bat, all of the fielders go long. She still scores a rounder, though!

If you have any queries, please get in touch. Our emails are below.

Best wishes,

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## **Year 5**

What a fun week we have had in Year 5! A group of children have been learning how to snorkel with the Bouley Bay Dive Centre. They have had an amazing time learning new skills.

All of Year 5 went to Havre des Pas for Swim Safe sessions on Tuesday. What great ambassadors they were for d'Auvergne School, and although they were tired a great time was had by all.

A big thank you to the parents who have enabled these trips to go ahead. Without your support we wouldn't be able to give the children these great experiences.

In writing, we have continued to extend our persuasive texts using the different sentence structures to write an introduction to persuade the reader of our point of view. We are beginning to edit our own and others work, discussing ways in which we can improve it and ensuring we have included all the relevant parts.

In maths, we have been learning about position and movement of shapes. Accuracy has been so important as we plot co-ordinates for 2d shapes and then use our knowledge to reflect and translate those shapes.

In art we have looked at and discussed the work of the Spanish artist Joan Miro before recreating our own art in the same style. We have also made decorated and made 3d fish following the Map of

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Wonders course. The children also continue to work on WW2 art sketching and painting poppies and well as creating silhouette pictures.

We have also learned how to play petanque with Madame Mann during French. Once we knew the rules it proved a popular and competitive game that we all enjoyed playing.

Spellings are given out every Friday and there are always spare copies should your child mislay them but we have included them so that you know what they need to practise.

convenience, muscle, disastrous, neighbour, interfere, pronunciation, queue, rhyme, rhythm

Next week we are looking forward to Safety in Action Day on Tuesday.

### **Year 6**

A short 3-day week for Year 6, as they went off for their transition days at their secondary schools! We look forward to hearing all about it, upon their return next week.

While we were in school... we had our second session with Calvin, from You Matter, who spoke to us about 'Pregnancy and Birth'. In reading, some of us have now finished The Secret of Platform 13 and others are still enjoying getting to the end of our much-loved class text. On Tuesday, we were back in the Maker Space making characters for our automatons.

PC Carter came in to speak with all of Year 6 about online safety and social media. She advised Year 6 not to be on group chats because if people send you inappropriate things, then they are on your phone unless you delete them immediately and ensure that they are deleted from your phone completely.

Many thanks to those parents, who have sent your child's teacher a photo of your child as a baby and one of them in Reception. If you haven't already done so, please can you do so, as we need them by Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July at the latest.

The achiever in 6W, this week is Amber. I am so proud of Amber and the fluent and confident way that she has been reading aloud in class. Her reading has gone from strength to strength, and it is wonderful to see her confidence growing and her constantly reading books! Equally, her hard work and determination has been paying off with her maths too and the way in which her mental maths score is creeping up day by day. Well done, Amber – continue being the absolute star that you are!

This week the achiever in 6A is Elliott, well done on persevering with your drumming lessons! A great level of commitment to a new subject! Continue to keep up to the beat, you're absolutely smashing it!

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The achiever for 6H this week is Sirena for being a lovely and outstanding person, who is always listening and doing the right thing. I know that she is going to smash it when it comes to starting JCG in September.

#### Home Learning

#### **Special focus 12 – homophones**

advice	advise
advised	practice
practise	practised
device	devise
licence	license

Make sure that you are reading, not only for enjoyment, but in order to continue improving your vocabulary. You can read a book on Bug Club, or part of a text on Cracking Comprehension.

Remember to go on Mathletics and TT Rockstars to keep your brains ticking over!

**Speaking and Listening:** Can you write a summary of your transition days at your new secondary schools. Think about these questions:

What was your most favourite thing?

What were you most surprised by?

Was it bigger, or smaller than you imagined?

How many new people did you meet?

What are you most looking forward to about starting secondary?

Have a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

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