

d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

Head Teacher's Comments

Apologies for the lateness of this update (I was away in the UK with the amazing Year 6).

I do hope that you are all enjoying this Bank Holiday weekend. I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday.

Kind regards,

Mr Cooper

Year Group Updates

Futures

Whilst it has been a short week we have, as always, been very busy!

We have been using our bus stop game to investigate numbers of passengers, estimating how many, adding and taking away. We have also been using shapes to create our own vehicle pictures and carefully adding wheel stickers to practice our fine motor skills.

Our Key Stage 2 children enjoyed a fantastic workshop delivered by Music in Action all about The Carnival of the Animals. They learned a lot about all the different instruments and loved joining in with the animal actions.

Today was all about crowns & kings. Continuing our work on shape, each child decorated their crown with a bright array of circles, triangles and diamonds. They have enjoyed wearing their crowns and being King for a day!



Nursery

We have spent a busy week preparing crowns within our **creative** area (for the Coronation) and making maps in the woodwork zone (based around our beautiful island).

In addition to this, the children became **fascinated** with weddings and a number of our little learners decided to get hitched on Wednesday. The service was beautiful and the children dressed up, attended the ceremony, ate the cake and thoroughly enjoyed the al fresco party!

Our **sound** this week has been a long a stretchy "rrr" with a robot picture to aid our memories. The robot impressions and noises have kept us amused all week.

The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright and Jim Field has been our **story** of the week with key vocabulary being: weenie, gulp & slumbering.

Enjoy a lovely (long) weekend with your special little people.

Mr du Feu & Team

Reception

Even though we've only had a 4-day week. we've still been as busy as ever in Reception. We have been learning about Florence Nightingale and the wonderful work she did as a nurse during the Crimean war. The children wrote sentences about her and why she was so famous.

In Maths, we are continuing to learn number bonds to 5 and 10 using addition and subtraction. We have even been solving some word problems and listening for the important pieces of information. For example:

I went to the shops and wanted to buy 5 chocolate bars, but my mummy said I could only have 2. How many chocolate bars did I have to put back? The children use their whiteboards to record their thinking and use pictures and equations ($5 - 2 = 3$) to represent the number story. Try this at home too, it really gets them using their number skills. If they are confident, try numbers up to 20 too! We have spent lots of time outside this week in the sunshine and have been revamping our garden area. If you have any old guttering, pipes, pots and pans that you no longer need, please send them in so we can continue to develop our mud kitchen and water wall.

On Friday, we enjoyed celebrating the King's Coronation and joined together for a mini tea party in our garden. We wore our crowns with pride, which you'll see when the children bring them home at the end of this week.

Thank you for your continued support, we really do appreciate all your efforts with keeping up with home learning. Please remember to sign your child's diary to share all the lovely reading and spelling practice you are doing together.

Please also remember water bottles, healthy snack and lunch, book bags with all books (including library books) and a waterproof coat. Now the weather is warming up, we'd suggest you apply sunscreen as necessary and send your child in with a d'Auvergne school cap.

Have a lovely extended weekend and we'll see you all on Wednesday 10th May.

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Year 1

This week in Year 1 we have been working on word problems in Maths. We have been focusing on picking out the parts of the problem that tells us if we need to add or subtract and what calculation to carry out.

In Literacy this week the children have been writing their own rhyming poems about spring. Children would benefit from consolidation at home.

Year 1 have been creating their own crowns this week to join in with the celebration of King Charles III coronation over the weekend.

In topic this week the focus has been on plants. We have been exploring what the different parts of a plant are and what they need to grow. Children would benefit from consolidation at home.

On Wednesday 14th June we are going on a trip to Hamptonne Country Life Museum. This will be a morning trip. We would aim to leave school by 9:15am and we would arrive back before lunchtime. If you are able to support with the trip please let your child's class teacher know.

We have been looking at zones of regulation the past couple of weeks to support children in discussing how they are feeling. Children would benefit from support with this at home.

Please continue to read daily with your children and record this in their homework diary as well as well as encourage children to practice their spellings.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Andre Brown and Miss Aubert

Year 2

Another exciting week in Year 2, with a special visit from The Bailiff, Sir Timothy Le Cocq! We all had a fabulous time making our royal crowns – cutting and curling paper until it was fit for a King / Queen. I think you can all agree the children looked superb and ready to celebrate the King's Coronation this Saturday.

In writing, we have been discussing and drafting a recount for The Battle of Jersey. The children have remembered to write in the past tense and use time connectives to help make their writing flow. Next week, we'll be looking at editing our recount and improving our sentences.

In maths this week, we have started learning about 3D shapes and we will be continuing this next week. We have discussed 3D shape names and introduced the new vocabulary of 'faces', 'vertices' and 'edges'. I wonder if the children can find any 3D shapes around the house and identify how many faces, vertices or edges it has?

Your child will also be coming home with some times tables as well as their spellings this week. By the end of Year 2, your child will be expected to know all of the x2, x5 and x10 tables. Please practice these at home and they will be tested alongside spellings on a Friday.

Have another wonderful long bank holiday weekend.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Year 2 Team

Year 3

What a busy and productive week Year 3 have had!

They have researched so much information about Gerald Durrell by asking the right sort of deep dive questions online. We have worked hard encouraging the children to think carefully about what questions they are asking to make sure they get just the information they need to help them write their notes.

Next week we are looking forward to turning the notes into a biography all about Gerald Durrell. If the children would like to, they could research more information to add to this.

We have looked closely at three portraits of different Kings all called Charles and discussed how they are similar and different. Again more questions were asked such as 'Why does he have a blue sash?' 'Why is Charles I on a horse?' 'Why is Charles II wearing such frilly clothes?'

We are also learning to tell the time to the nearest minute. Now it's YOUR turn to ask the children what the time is!! Motivate them to use analogue clocks, count in five minutes and one minute intervals to help them.

Next week our spelling pattern will be using the **prefix-sub**. Words such as **subheading**, **submarine** and **submerge**, will be included and the children will be writing these in sentences on Wednesday morning!

We hope you all enjoy watching the Coronation on Saturday, surrounded by special people for this historical occasion. Mrs. Lawrence explained to her class that her mother had to hire a television for the first time to watch the Queen's Coronation - there was a look of shock on some faces!

As always, please do ask if you have any questions. Our emails are below,

Best wishes,

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Year 4

The children in year 4 have been up to lots of things this week.

In writing and science, we have been looking at the 3 states of matter: Solids, Liquids and Gases. The children have written non-chronological reports on the states of matter and how they can change state using heat or by cooling them.

In Maths, we have finished our topic on Fractions and will begin our new topic: geometry. It will look at shape, angles, types of lines and symmetry. As this topic requires the children to know a lot of

vocabulary, we have given the children a knowledge organiser to look over during the long weekend. We hope this will help with their learning.

Trumpets and Clarinets have gone home this week. The children have made a great start to this project, and it has been lovely seeing them get excited about their lessons. The project will continue for 10 weeks and at the end, the children will put on a performance for you all to enjoy.

This week, we have also celebrated the King's Coronation by making crowns. The theme for year 4 was nature, so their crown's reflected the beautiful shapes, colours and patterns of the world around us.

This week we still need helpers for swimming (4C) on Wednesday and the Maritime Museum (leaving at 12 being back for 2:20pm, Thursday 11th) next week. If you could help, please could you email Miss Trigg or Miss Condlyffe. Thank you!

Have a lovely time celebrating the King's Coronation this weekend.

All the best,

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Year 5

Although it has only been a four-day week, we have had a super busy time in year 5! We started off the week by immersing ourselves in a World War 2 The Blitz situation, thinking about how we can use our senses to describe what it would be like for children in London during The Blitz. We then started writing a diary entry, using our senses work, from the point of view of a child in WW2.

In maths, we have continued looking at decimals and have been learning how to convert decimals into fractions and vice versa. Please continue to practise your times tables as this comes in very handy when converting.

In Makerspace, we started recording our own radio broadcasts using a program called Audacity. We had to import music to start our broadcast and create a speech to inform the world of the latest news, replicating the way the news was reported during WW2.

In PE, we started our dance sessions with Jodie. She has begun teaching us a few steps, working towards a dance sequence to swing music.

In topic, we learnt about Alan Turing and how he was a big part of helping the war come to an end by cracking the code of the Enigma Machine which the Germans used to send secret codes.

On top of all of this, we had The Bailiff visit us this week. He came to Year 5 to see us making our crowns for the King's Coronation.

We hope everyone has a lovely Coronation weekend and we will see you back at school on Wednesday!

Year 6

No report this week.
