

d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

Head Teacher's Comments

School Travel Survey

We would very much welcome your assistance by completing this survey, to indicate how your child travels to school.

English <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/QCVPIY/>

Polish <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/HEICJS/>

Portuguese <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/JQYW0V/>

Celebrating Portuguese Language and Culture

On Tuesday d'Auvergne School hosted a workshop with a Portuguese writer Maria João Lopo de Carvalha (the author of 75 books) organised by the Camões Institute in London and two local, Portuguese Teachers: Isabel Matos and Graça Ramos. The Portuguese Consul, Manuel Silva, Cris Lakeman from CYPES and Kamila Kruk from d'Auvergne were also present in this important cultural event. Well done and thank you to all involved!

Oliver!

All the cast and choir are required to be in school on Saturday and Sunday, from 2pm – 5pm for our final rehearsals. Thank you, children, for your commitment and perseverance. And thank you, to colleagues involved, for giving of your time (for free) to support our pupils. You are all amazing!
Nearly 700 people will be watching our performances next week.

d'Auvergne has Talent!

Many congratulations to three of our Year 6 pupils.

For her brilliant ballet solo, **Darcey-Mai Warman** has qualified to represent the Channel Islands in the Dance World Cup Finals in Braga, Portugal in June. This is incredible!! Well done, Darcey-Mai!

Harry Hall continues to blow us away with his trumpet talents. Harry recently won the Junior Brass Section of the Jersey Young Musician of the Year. Stunning!

Craig Chimwaza is representing Jersey in the U11 Primary Schools' Football Team and is also in the JFA Centre of Excellence squad. Despite being a staunch Manchester United fan, he's doing fantastically well!

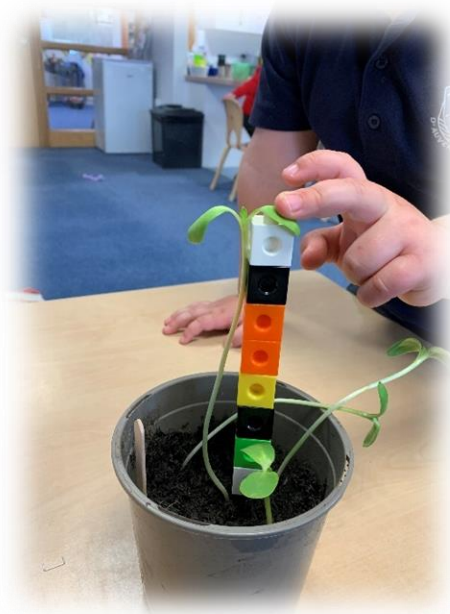
Have a great weekend everyone.

Kind regards, Mr Cooper

Year Group Updates

Futures

The children have been photographing their beans to keep a record of how much they are growing. So far Noah's is the tallest, but they are all growing well. We are looking forward to transferring them into the polytunnel next week. We also can't believe how quickly our sunflowers have grown! To keep track of these we are using cubes to measure them. At the moment, the tallest sunflower is cubes tall. I think we are going to need a lot of cubes to measure them with by the end of the summer!



In Forest School this week the children used a hack saw to cut pieces of elder to make a wooden whistle, just like the one Titch has in our story. They also hollowed out an air hole and with a little bit of fine tuning from Mrs Bailey and Mr Le Quesne their whistles made a noise! As well as being great fun, this is fantastic for hand, arm and shoulder strength, which will benefit the children's pencil control and all other fine motor skills.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Mason & The Futures Team

Nursery

Imagination station in Nursery this week. We have been developing your children's Small World and roll play learning with both indoor and outdoor activities. Our favourite parts of the day are when a group of children take an idea and become super immersed in it ... we love watching their imaginations run wild!

"fffff" is our brand new **sound** it is a long stretchy one with "fff" as the picture to aid with recall. 2 of your children were over the moon to have it as their special sound this week too!

Drawing Club is something new we are using in Nursery. We repeat a story each day and it is accompanied by some new vocabulary. The culmination is some drawing / writing / mark making and I will keep you updated with how it goes.

The Koala Who Could (wallop, succeed, apprehensive & clung)

Easter **singing** is in full force as I am sure most of you have heard!

Finally, some dates for your diary:

Tuesday 23rd May

Wednesday 19th July

We will be heading out on **trips** with our Nursery crew ... and would love to welcome you all aboard where possible. More details to follow.

Have a wonder weekend,

Mr du Feu & Team

Reception

It has been so lovely to have conversations about your wonderful children this week during the teacher/parent consultations. It has given us an opportunity to share your child's learning, progress and targets for the next few weeks. If you missed your appointment or have yet to make one with us, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any further questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us via email and we'll respond to you as soon as we can.

This week we have been writing minibeast poems. We started to create one in groups or as a whole class and then we added our own lines. E.g. Caterpillars wiggle and jiggle, bees fly in the sky... Perhaps you could write a few lines at home with your child and send them in so we can create a poetry book full of minibeast poems.

We set everyone to work this week, planting sunflower seeds. We needed to follow a set of instructions so we knew which order to do this in e.g. soil in the pot. Make a small hole with your finger. the seed into the hole...

Hopefully, these will begin to grow at school and then we can transfer them to our outside garden.



Put
Push

We can't wait to see how tall they grow.

Mrs Lutkin-Clarke and Mrs Hill completed some maths training last week with Karen Wilding, a UK and International Early Years Maths Consultant. Based on some of her work, all the children have been using their subitising skills to work out quantities of different objects without directly counting them. Ask your children about subitising at home.

Reminders: Please keep all school books (RWI books, home readers, library books, homework diaries) in your child's book bag every day.

Please send in a **water bottle** with your child every day. They get thirsty!

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Rachel Lutkin-Clarke and Mrs Gina Hill

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Year 1

This week in Literacy we have been starting to write our own short stories about pirates! The children have been thinking about the layout and structure of a story. They have been discussing what happens at the beginning, in the middle and at the end of stories. The focus has been on how to begin a story. We have used story bags and mind maps of adjectives to support the introduction of characters and settings.

This week in Maths the children have finished looking at subtracting numbers between 20 and we have moved on to looking at numbers to 40. We have been focusing on counting up to 40 and looking at what 2-digits make these numbers. We have been learning about what the tens numbers and the ones numbers represents. For example: 38 = 3 tens which is 30 and 8 ones.

To support your child's learning, we're giving you an online version of your child's maths textbook and workbook called Parent Guides.

Once you're signed in, you'll be able to access maths content, help guides and lesson support for:

England - New Edition

Year 1

Sign up for Parent Guides by following this link and entering this access code.

Link: <https://hub.mathsnoproblem.com/self-signup/T2KAJH0>

Access Code: QQATCH0

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On Friday 31st March Year 1 will be having a Pirate Day! Children can come in dressed as pirates. If you have any junk modelling materials, please bring these in as the children will have the opportunity to build pirate ships in groups along with other fun pirate themed activities!

Could we please remind parents to try and read with their children as often as possible, ideally for 10 minutes every day, and record this in your child's homework diary.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Andre Brown and Miss Aubert.

Year 2

An egg-citing in Year 2! We had the arrival of some chicks to our classes on Monday and also the hatching of chicks that we have been looking after in our incubators! The children have been asking lots of fascinating questions and have enjoyed learning about and holding the chicks. Their booklets about caring for chicks are almost complete and will be egg-cellent. Thank you Collette Bisson for supporting us with this!

To complete our learning about eggs we have been reading the story Egg Drop by Mini Grey and we have challenged the children to design a contraption to keep an egg safe when it is dropped from a height. The eggs used for this will be your normal eggs that you buy from the shop and will be hard boiled!! To help us with this project please could you send in any yogurt pots, cardboard or egg cartons for the children to use.

Mrs French has been busy adding you all to the Parent's area on the Maths No Problem website, if you would like to take a look and access what's on there please follow the link below:

<https://hub.mathsnoproblem.com/self-signup/T2KAJH0>

Access Code: OSLXIPY

We have just about completed our work on pictograms and will be moving on to learning about money, fractions and time after the Easter holidays so sharing key times of the day and exploring different coins and notes will be something really useful that you could do at home. We also continue to work with the children on developing different strategies for solving problems using the 4 number operations and using mental maths skills.

We are nearly at the end of our travels around the world exploring different countries on each of the continents. You children should be able to name the seven continents and tell you something about the countries we have explored.

Thank you to you all for coming in for Parents Consultations, it's really great to share your children's learning with you and be able to work together on their targets to support them in making progress over the coming weeks.

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Year 3

What a lovely week we have had catching up with so many parents and sharing your children's learning. If you haven't managed to come in, please get in touch. It's a busy week coming up with Oliver! and we want to say that we are especially proud of all the children in Year 3 that are involved with it. What an amazing and memorable experience.

Maths has been all about money this week and we want the children to become experts in counting money and finding change, using pounds and pence. Questions such as '*How much change would I get from £10 if I bought three footballs costing £1.50 each?*' Additionally, please encourage your children to go onto Maths Tutor at home at least twice a week. It is specifically tailored to your child's needs and will provide extra support, activities and confidence for many.

Here is a message from Mrs. French, our school Numeracy lead, to help you understand more about how we teach maths at school...

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Sign up for the Parent Guide by following this link and entering this access code.

Link: <https://hub.mathsnoproblem.com/self-signup/T2KAJH0>

Access Code: 9XIM8WA

Once you're signed in, you'll be able to access maths content for your child's year group, along with help guides and lesson support.

Just as a reminder, we have booked a trip to Durrell Zoo on the morning of **Wednesday, 26th April**. We shall leave school about **9:30am**. The children will spend some time with an animal educator and sometime walking about the park itself. If you think that you can help us on this day, then please let us know. The more adults that support, the better the experience for the children.

Next week, our spelling pattern will be words using the **prefix - re**. For example, **redecorate, reheat, rebuild, repeat**. During the spelling checks each Monday, the children have to write the red words into a sentence to show their understanding. Please continue to make sure that the children are also learning the red words and their meaning.

Vocabulary books are nearly ready - we hope they will be brought home next week, once the children have settled on how to use them.

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

Best wishes,

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Miss. Walker - l.walker@dauvergne.sch.je

Year 4

What a great week!

In Maths, we have continued to look at fractions. They have been looking at Equivalent Fractions with the children. This is still quite new to the children so it would be great to see them practising at home on Maths Tutor. Please could we encourage all children to try and access this from home twice a week. We now have a parental login for Maths-No Problem! for you to access at home. Once you have signed in, you'll be able to access math's content for your child's year group, along with help guides and lesson support. If you would like to access it, here are the details:

Link: <https://hub.mathsnoproblem.com/self-signup/T2KAJH0>

Access Code: 7UIEKM4

On Wednesday, we had Viking Day. We had SO much fun! We began the day listening to a Viking soundtrack on Now-Press-Play. The children loved it! Following from this, the children created a longship from the classroom furniture and sports equipment. It looked great! Pop onto Google Classroom to see the pictures of the Viking Longship. To finish the day, we

created shields from cardboard and had a fabulous, memorable day. Thank you to all the parents and children who made an effort for the day – especially with their costumes! We really do hope the children have had as much fun as we have had!

As part of our Year 4 curriculum, we will be taking your child swimming at Haute Vallee pool for the whole of the Summer Term. This will take place on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Letters about this will be sent out this week so we would really appreciate if the letter could be returned by the following Friday (31st March). Thank you for your support.

Lastly, Miss Trigg just wants to extend her gratitude for all the parents she has seen this week. It has been so lovely to celebrate the children's learning with you.

Have a great weekend,

Kind Regards,

Miss Trigg and Mrs Prothero

Year 5

It has been great to see parents this week and discuss the progress that is taking place!

In English, we have been converting the narrative of Jimmy and the Pharaoh into a playscript. This has led on to us planning our own playscripts which we will be writing for our independent writes before Easter. Can your child remember how dialogue is written in a playscript?

In Maths, we have been continuing with our fractions topic, adding fractions. We spoke about fractions needing to have the same denominator in order to add them together and can demonstrate our understanding of adding fractions pictorially (drawing diagrams) and abstractly (using numbers only). Can your child explain what an equivalent fraction is and how we make equivalent fractions?

In Maker Space we made stamps of ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. To do this, the laser cutter created sets of hieroglyphics and the children stuck them onto polystyrene slabs before using ink to print their name or a phrase onto paper.

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Year 5

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Year 6

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us in celebrating your children's progress at school for parent consultations. We had many questions about further preparing the children for the SATS tests in May. You can find SATS resources, such as previous papers and answers, on the gov.uk website. On Google, search:

2022 KS2 SATS Maths

2022 KS2 SATS Reading

2022 KS2 SATS English Grammar

In Writing, children are writing their biography about Muhammad Ali's life. Ask your children about relative clauses and how they can use them by having words like 'that, whose, when, which' in their sentences.

In Maths, children have been practising their place value when using decimals. Children should be able to explain where the decimal point fits into the place value depending on how great or small the number is.

Each time the decimal place moves up, what is the number being multiplied by?

Each time the decimal place moves down, what is the number being multiplied by?

"Show of hands: who's enjoying *Pig Heart Boy*?" asked Mr Blake. Without hesitation, all hands shot up. Needless to say, we are loving *Pig Heart Boy*! We are nearing the end of the story and we have seen the swap in feelings and experiences which Cameron has. When it started, he wanted to have a heart transplant so that he could feel normal. As it turns out, having the operation has made others look at him differently despite him being the same person on the inside.

If your child is enjoying *Pig Heart Boy* then we recommend them to have their own copy or to see other books written by Malorie Blackman.



Home Learning WB Monday 27th March

Reading: Daily for 20 minutes. Please remind your child to record this in their homework diary.

Maths: Maths Tutor and TT Rockstars.

KS2 Assessment texts: We will send more texts home in the next few weeks, along with an exercise book to complete questions.

Spelling: See Google Classroom.

Achievers

This week the achiever is Nikola. A more reserved member of 6AW who doesn't always like to be in the spotlight. HOWEVER, we are very much looking forward to watching her perform in Oliver. Academically Nikola has made wonderful progress this year, particularly with her most recent assessment. Well done Nikola, you are an absolute STAR 🌟

This week in 6B we have a double award going to two creative, budding artists... Filip and Austin, your Muhammad Ali artwork is so creative, colourful and quirky. Remember: sometimes the strangest art can be the most beautiful art! Well done, guys!

The achiever in 6H this week is Lucas R. He has shown an incredibly diverse range of sporting skills at the Year 6 athletics experience on Wednesday. Lucas is an incredibly gifted young sportsman and has shown the determination and motivation of a top-level athlete. It was so inspiring to see a young man enjoy the sport of athletics so much! Well done Lucas, keep it up!
