# d'Auvergne Weekly Update



Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Head Teacher's Comments**

## **School Walk**

What an **amazing effort** from all who participated in one of our key community events of the year. The weather was perfect. The children laughed. The lollies were welcome. The music was motivating!

It took some children a lot of determination to make it to the end – well done you!

Very many thanks to all the parent / carer volunteers who helped us – it really is most appreciated. Particular thanks to Miss Shurey, for her flawless organisation.

Sponsor money is flooding in. If you haven't returned it yet, please do so asap. Thank you!

## Great job d'Auvergne!

#### **Summer Fair**

Our community events are coming thick and fast! Sunday looks set to be another great d'Auvergne gathering. We open from 11am. Please remember that there will be no parking on site (except for Blue badge holders). Please bring cash only (no cards).

Cakes / bottles etc may still be delivered on the morning of the Fair.

See you there! I'll be the one cooling-off in the stocks!!

## **Polytunnel Help**

Thank you to **Theo (and family)** from Nursery, who will be helping out with our polytunnel this summer. **We still need six more families to offer 1 hour / week during the holidays.** 

Watering, weeding, picking fruit and vegetables (which you'd keep) would be required. If you and your family would like to help out, that would be amazing. **Please let me know.** 

## **Sports Days**

A reminder of dates / times:

NURSERY & RECEPTION (Foundation Stage) Monday 26th June, 9:15am - 10:15am.

YEARS 1 - 2 (Key Stage One) Wednesday 28th June, 9:30am -12.00pm.

YEARS 3 - 6 (Key Stage Two) Thursday 29th June, 9:30am - 12.00pm.

See you on Sunday everyone! Remember the suncream!

Mr Cooper

## **Year Group Updates**

#### **Futures**

What a week! Your children have done themselves (and us) proud.

We started the week on Monday with our school walk, down through the woods, along Valley de Vaux, then back up a million steps to La Pouquelaye! We waved at passers by, discussed what we could see around us and didn't grumble once! A super effort all round.



On to Wednesday and a trip to the zoo. We spent some time in the zoo classroom learning about animal habitats, we visited the farm to see how much the seeds we planted last time we visited had grown, before finally exploring the rest of the zoo, seeing how many different types of animals we could see.

I must also congratulate our Key Stage 2 children who took part in a riding demonstration last Saturday. It was a lovely opportunity to show off all that they have been learning during their weekly sessions at RDA. Each of the children rose to the challenge of riding confidently in front of an audience, as well as being in an arena they had never been to before.



Have a great weekend,
Mrs Mason & The Futures Team

## Nursery

These little walkers are (once again) proving just how hardcore they are! I was gutted to miss the trooping but have heard just how superb Nursery were. Very well done and a huge thank you to the helpers. We are really blessed to have such a wonderful team around the children this year. Amazing ①

"zzz" is our sound this week with a "zzzip" as the picture to aid remembrance. We had a lot of fun trying to find this sound in our children's name .. but we did!

We have also been playing games with dice, guessing the number and then subitising the result ('knowing' what number appears, not counting it). Loads of puzzle play this week too with some huge puzzles created as a team.

The cucumbers we planted in the poly tunnel are MASSIVE and have gone down a storm on the Trying Table during snack.

Sports Day is Monday and it is a 9:15 start.

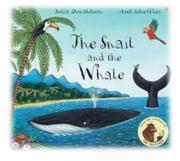
Have a lovely weekend,

Mr du Feu & Team

## Reception

What a super walk we had on Monday, your children and all the parent helpers were amazing! We even coped with the steep steps back up the hill without any complaints and enjoyed an ice lolly from the PTA on our return.

We have continued our learning about the story, 'The Snail and the Whale' and have been looking at fact books about snails and whales.



The children know that the story is a 'fiction' book, full of imagination and pretence. The fact book, however, is a 'non-fiction' book full of facts and information about real things. Have a look at home at different texts and discuss with your child whether they are fiction or non-fiction and ask them why. What do they notice about non-fiction books? What features can they see?

This week, we have been assessing the children on reading and maths and most children have completed their first PIRA and PUMA paper. As the children move up through the school, they will be assessed each term using this form of assessment, so this was just a

practice run in preparation for their first term in Year 1. It's a fun challenge and the children were excited to be using the little booklets to show off their reading and number skills. All assessments provide us with a target for your children and these will be reflected in their end of year reports.

Next week, we have our sports day on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June. We'll be out on the field for a 9:15am start. Please ensure your child is wearing the d'Auvergne PE kit, trainers, hat, is smothered in suncream and brings a bottle of water (all named).







If you have the chance, please come along and support the children taking part. Thank you for your continued support.

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### Year 1

We have had a lovely week in Year 1. We started the week off with our sponsored school walk. We are very proud of the children and how far they walked! They did really well, and the day was enjoyed by all. A massive thank you again to all parent helpers.

In Literacy this week we have been writing about our Year 1 experiences. The children have been writing about their favourites memories of Year 1, what they are most proud of this past year, what they have enjoyed learning about and what they would like to learn or improve upon next.

In Maths we have been working on division. We have been looking at how we can share a number of objects into equal groups. E.g. 10 stickers shared into groups of 2 will make 5 groups. 10 shared by 2 is 5. Children would benefit from consolidation with this at home.

Science this week we have been carrying out an investigation with daisies. We asked the question: do all daisies have the same number of petals. The children first made a prediction. We then discussed how we can carry out the experiment. Children picked 6 daisies and counted the petals on each daisy. The children then completed a table and wrote up the results of their investigation.

### Reminders:

- Sports day is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June. 9:30am 12pm. Parents are welcome to come and watch their children during sports day. **Please ensure your child comes in with a hat and suncream.**
- Please read with your child every day and record this in their homework diary. Please also encourage your child to practice their spellings every day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Andre Brown and Miss Aubert.

#### Year 2

The days seem to be flying by and the eagerly awaited Year 2 trip to Sark is next week! Miss Hogan and Mrs Davies have put in so much effort and time to organise this event to ensure that the children have a super time in Sark. Mrs. Willis would like to thank them on behalf of all the children and adults. A parentmail with final details will be sent early next week. We will also be welcoming the library service into school to talk about the library challenge over the long summer break. If your child is not already a member of the town library, we would urge you to make a trip with proof of your address and join them up. During the holiday, the library is a haven for tired parents as the staff organise activities and events to encourage your child to enjoy reading. All three classes in Year 2 are excited to visit our school library each week so we know that they will benefit from the wealth of books in town.

We would also like to ask you to continue to support your child in learning the 2s, 5s, and 10s times tables to the point where they are fluent and have rapid recall of the facts. Competition is building up in the maths groups to be the fastest to respond to a times table question. Congratulations to Niko from 2D who is still the one to beat! He set the benchmark high and the wonderful thing is, this has encouraged so many of the other children to want to compete. It has had a snowball effect so much so that on the sponsored walk on Monday, many of the children wanted to play quick fire games and forgot their feet were getting tired! As we know, practise makes perfect, so whether you are in the car or out for a walk, please keep firing multiplication questions.

Thank you from the Year 2 Team.

### Year 3

Thank you.

A huge thank you to all the parents that were able to join us for the walk on Monday. The pavement pounding certainly took a toll on all of our legs but we were immensely proud of the children for walking with such positive spirits.

The next trip, which is an all day one, is on *Wednesday, 12th July. Leaving school at 9.30am and returning for 2.30pm.* We are going to La Hougue Bie, for a day of historical discovery and art. Please let us know as soon as possible if you can join us. Literacy.

We have spent a little time this week, talking about different types of words. To support the children at home, remind them to head to GoogleClassroom, where they can find this link <a href="https://wordwall.net/resource/29263270/word-class-game">https://wordwall.net/resource/29263270/word-class-game</a>. Please also remind the children to use the vocabulary books we sent home with them last month. They should be added to each week and should be coming between home and school daily.

Celebration time!

Congratulations to Marli and Kaya, who have been awarded some book vouchers. We have been so impressed with the reading that they have been doing this year. Kaya especially for reading at every opportunity, to help research information and Marli for the huge amount of quizzing she has done!

Spellings.

Next week our spelling pattern will be continuing with the pattern of words using the **/ay/** sound spelt eigh Words such as, sleigh, weigh, eight and neighbour will be included and the children will be writing these in complete sentences during the early part of next week. PSHE.

We are at that time of year, when we are talking to the children about how their bodies will change as they get older. We will also be discussing... How babies grow and what they need - How bodies change on the outside - That an egg and a sperm are used to create a baby. Each year, a little more detail is added and it is only natural for your child to ask questions. Please be as open and honest as you feel comfortable with doing in these discussions with your children.

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

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## Year 4

This week we have had an active week in Year Four!

We have been continuing with our Poetry work and wrote a sound collector poem on the beach during our trip on Thursday!

Secondly, we have been looking at money and decimals in 4T and 4C and continuing to reenforce our work on time. Please can we remind parents and children that they could be using Mathletics and Maths Tutor to consolidate their learning.

In Science this week, we have finished Animal Habitats concluding with our wonderful trip on the Jersey Duchess and to La Rocque on Thursday! Here, we learnt all about different sea life, went on a rock pooling scavenger hunt, took part in active games and made our own painted rocks!

We have been practising our trumpet and clarinet pieces ready for our upcoming concert on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July. Please keep an eye on the Parent Mail to find out more information about this.

Well done to all for a super effort on Monday for the School Walk! It was a wonderful successful and we look forward to seeing you all at the School Fayre on Sunday.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Trigg and Miss Condlyffe

#### Year 5

Our Sponsored walk on Monday was a huge success! The heat didn't make it easy for us but everybody that took part did a fantastic job, well done all! A big thank you to the adult helpers also.

All 3 classes have now completed their Level 1 Bikeability Course. Well done to everybody who took part. The children now have a solid starting point in cycling awareness and know how to check their bikes, helmets and they themselves are roadworthy and safe. Please use your child's knowledge to help keep the family safe when riding their bikes.

In science, we have been writing up an experiment that we have undertaken to find out which method of separation is the most effective when separating different mixtures of materials.

In writing, we have continued looking at persuasive writing, with a focus on emotive language and how this can impact the reader. When reading with your children at home, have a discussion about any emotive language they come across and why they think the author has chosen to use that particular word or phrase.

On Thursday, we have our Sports Day, which will begin at 9:30 am and finish at approximately 12:00. Please ensure children come to school with something of their house colour, P.E. kits, sunhats, sun cream and water on this day.

Miss Shurey is looking forward to seeing some of you at the Jersey Dance Awards at Haute Vallee theatre on Saturday, representing d'Auvergne! Please ensure you know what time your child has to be there and a reminder that a parent/carer must stay on site as the responsible adult the whole time your child is there.

Although it is particularly important on P.E. days that the children are keeping hydrated and protected from the sun, please ensure your child is coming to school daily with sun protection and water.

We hope you all have a lovely, well-deserved weekend.

### Year 6

What a great school walk this year! The sun didn't discourage us and the fog did not deter us! Year 6 smashed it as expected.

In Writing, children have been assessing diary writing ensuring that a good diary has time conjunctions (later, before, afterwards), some informal language, emotive descriptions of events, and chronological (time) order of events. Luckily, we have been using our England trip as a focus for this and so the children expectedly have a lot to talk about!

In Reading, we have continued to delve into the novel of the Secrets of Platform 13! This book has inspired our local artist, Alex Mourant, to create a 2-day art workshop that all of Y6 will enjoy over the next two weeks.

**6B** - will work with Alex on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> and **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June** 

**6H** - will work with Alex on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and **30<sup>th</sup> June** 

**6AW** - will work with Alex on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

On the dates highlighted the children will be spending some time at Plemont beach - please make sure that they have plenty of sun cream and water on these days.

In Maths, we have delved into perimeter, area, and volume. Children have been calculating the perimeter/outside of 2D shapes, the area/space inside of 2D shapes, and the volume/space inside of 3D shapes.

## Home Learning WB Monday 26th June

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

**Maths:** Maths Tutor and TT Rockstars.

**Spelling:** See Google Classroom.

### **Achievers**

In 6AW this week, the achiever is Jodi. This year Jodi has made steady progress in all areas and turned her hand to many different challenges. All the while she has remained an incredibly kind, caring and supportive friend. Thank you Jodi, for always thinking about others

6B's achiever this week is Oliver P. Oliver was unstoppable on the school walk! Not only was he enthusiastic and keen for it, but he was also telling jokes, making others laugh, and generally keeping a good spirit for year 6. Oliver your positivity shines and we want you to maintain this great attitude forever! Well done.

The achiever in 6H this week is Bella! What an absolute delight she has been over the last term. She has given everything 110% and shown a tremendous attitude towards her learning. I have been particularly impressed with Bella's maths this week. She has shown a real concentrated and dedicated work ethic. Great job Bella!