

The Nascot News

Issue: #1



Nascot Wood Junior School

Welcome to the first edition of The Nascot News, which we are delighted to share with you.

First we would like to introduce ourselves, we are Amelia and Jamie and we are both in Year 6. We have taken on the role of joint Editors of the new student- led newspaper for our school.

We first came up with the idea in 2022 as we wanted to start something new and different that would continue once we leave. We spoke to Mrs Singh and our Year 6 teachers who loved the idea and were happy to support us with this new project.

We then spoke to the Year 6 children and we were surprised at how many children wanted to help us. We have decided to publish an edition twice a term as we have so many willing children that would like to contribute.

You might be wondering how we chose the name... We asked each class to come up with a name and from all the creative entries the winning name for our new newspaper was chosen by Holly Class, Elm Class and Poplar Class! Well done!

With thanks to Alisa Das, Kiran Sidhom, Shriya Mestha and Ousainou Corr (all from Year 6) who have helped us put together this first edition. Also thank you to Reyansh and Fareeda (Year 5), Eileen (Year 4), Rayan (Year 3) and Prajna (Year 6) for their contributions.

Thank you to Mrs Singh, Mrs Keane, Miss Reynolds and all the teachers that have helped and supported us.

We hope you enjoy reading this first edition and if any of the children would like to contribute for the next edition then we would love to include it.

Have a wonderful half term.

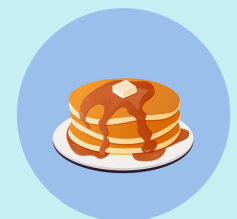
Amelia and Jamie



Meet the Prefect Team
and House Captains



Interview with Mrs
Singh



Recipe for Pancake
day



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Prefect Team Introduction

The prefect team is made up of 10 people. Here are some facts about them:

Head Girl Prajna: Prajna is good at a variety of subjects, especially Art.

Head Boy Jamie: Jamie is good at rugby, tennis and martial arts.

Deputy Head Girl Arshia: Arshia is good at tennis, swimming and netball.

Deputy Head Boy Jai: Jai is good at maths.

Prefects

Amelia: Amelia is good at tennis, swimming and music.

Shriya: Shriya is good at athletics and being creative.

Jayesh: Jayesh is good at biking.

Anika: Anika is good at maths and cricket.

Miranda: Miranda is good at athletics.

Sloka: Sloka is good at singing.

Written by Shriya



House Captain Introduction and update

Hello, this is the House Captain update for this term. In spring we will be organising a dodgeball competition for all the years to enjoy and it will be indoors. Then in the summer we will be organising a football event. So lots of fun things to enjoy.

There are 8 House Captains. Here are some facts about them:

Griffin House Captains :

Kiran: Loves cricket, football and tennis

Malek: Loves Football

Unicorn House Captains:

Max: Loves Rugby

Alesia: Loves singing

Phoenix House Captains:

Aarith: Loves football

Eva: Loves Art

Dragon House Captains:

Ousainou: Loves Football

Shamyla: Loves Arts and Crafts

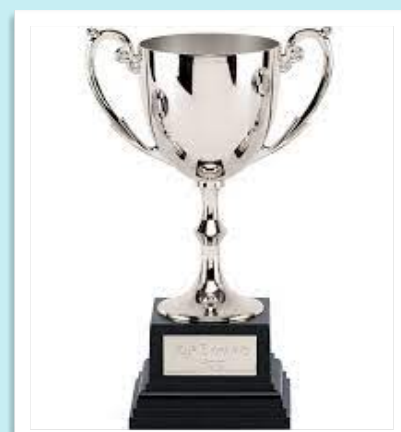
Written by Kiran and Ousainou

Summary of term 1 House points

The house points for the first term were very interesting to add up. Here is a little summary of it :

So far Dragon has won twice, Griffin has won 4 times, Phoenix has won 6 times and Unicorn has won 5 times. The total house points won by Dragon in the first term was 2224, for Griffin was 2287, Unicorn had 2269 and Phoenix had 2319. Which makes our winner for the first term, Phoenix.

Written by Shriya



Mrs Singh interview

For the first edition we invited Mrs Singh to be interviewed. We enjoyed talking to her and finding out some new and interesting facts that we did not know! Thank you Mrs Singh for taking time out and sharing this with us.

Mrs Singh, how does it feel to be Head Teacher of a school that is ranked 15th Nationally?

I feel really proud of the children, staff and parents who achieved this wonderful result. However, I am always ambitious to achieve more and to develop the school further.

Can you share 3 fun facts about you?

I have never bought a newspaper.

I once played in the backing orchestra for Van Morrison.

I am a Strictly Come Dancing super-fan - I met Bruce Forsyth and Len Goodman.

If you could live anywhere, where would it be and why?

I would live on a remote Scottish island because of the peace, the simplicity of life and the close community.

What did you want to be when you were younger?

I wanted to be a professional violinist.

If you were stranded on an island and you had 3 things with you, what would they be?

A hammock - I have a hammock that hangs between two trees in my garden and it is the ultimate luxury to lie in it and read a book.

A device that has Spotify, as I listen to music all the time. My violin. It is an English violin that was made in 1730, and I have had it with me since I was 16 years old.

If you had to describe yourself as an animal, which one would it be?

My birthday is in August and I am a Leo. Therefore, I have always been associated with a lion. However, I'm not that fierce!



Who is your favourite author?

I have really enjoyed reading books by Eckhart Tolle, particularly 'A New Earth'. By contrast, I am reading Bob Mortimer's first novel 'The Satsuma Complex' at the moment - I am a huge Bob Mortimer fan!

What are your favourite hobbies?

I love long-distance walking, reading, baking cakes (even though I hate eating them!) and origami.

Have you ever visited any of the 7 wonders of the world? Which ones? Which one was your favourite?

Yes, I have visited the Colosseum in Rome and the Taj Mahal in Agra. The Taj Mahal was my favourite-I was fascinated to hear that Emperor Shah Jahan, who commissioned the Taj Mahal to be built, originally planned for a black version to be built on the opposite side of the river.

If you were ruler of your own country what would be the first law you would introduce?

I wouldn't have laws, I would have principles, as principles are easier to adhere to than laws.

My first and overriding principle would be 'Kindness always'.

Written by Amelia and Jamie

Year 6 Harry Potter Studio Tour

On the 11th January, the Year Sixes went to the Warner Bros. Studio Tour to see the making of Harry Potter. They learned the Art of Foley which was all about the sound effects used for the movies. They were able to create their own sound effects using common objects. The theme was Hogwarts in the Snow, and the great hall and most of the rooms were decorated with Christmas trees and snow. There were many rooms to explore in the studios, including the Forbidden Forest, Diagon Alley, Gringotts bank and the Gryffindor Common Room. There was a new area, next to a miniature model of Hogwarts, where you could see the different types of fake snow used for the movies. All the rooms were fantastic and the Year sixes had a wonderful time!



Year 6 trip to the O2 Young Voices

On the 19th of January, the Year Sixes went to the O2 to take part in the Young Voices Concert. The Young Voices is a huge choir with about 8,000 children. They sang about 22 songs which varied in length. After arriving, they took part in a rehearsal which lasted from 2:30 pm until 5:30 pm. At 7:00 pm they started performing in front of 1,000 adults! The atmosphere was electric. There were dancers, beatboxers, singers and even a violinist named Anna Phoebe. The Year Sixes had an amazing time and they returned back at about midnight. The Year Fives are really excited about going next year and the Year Sixes can't wait to go again!

Written by Alisa and Kiran

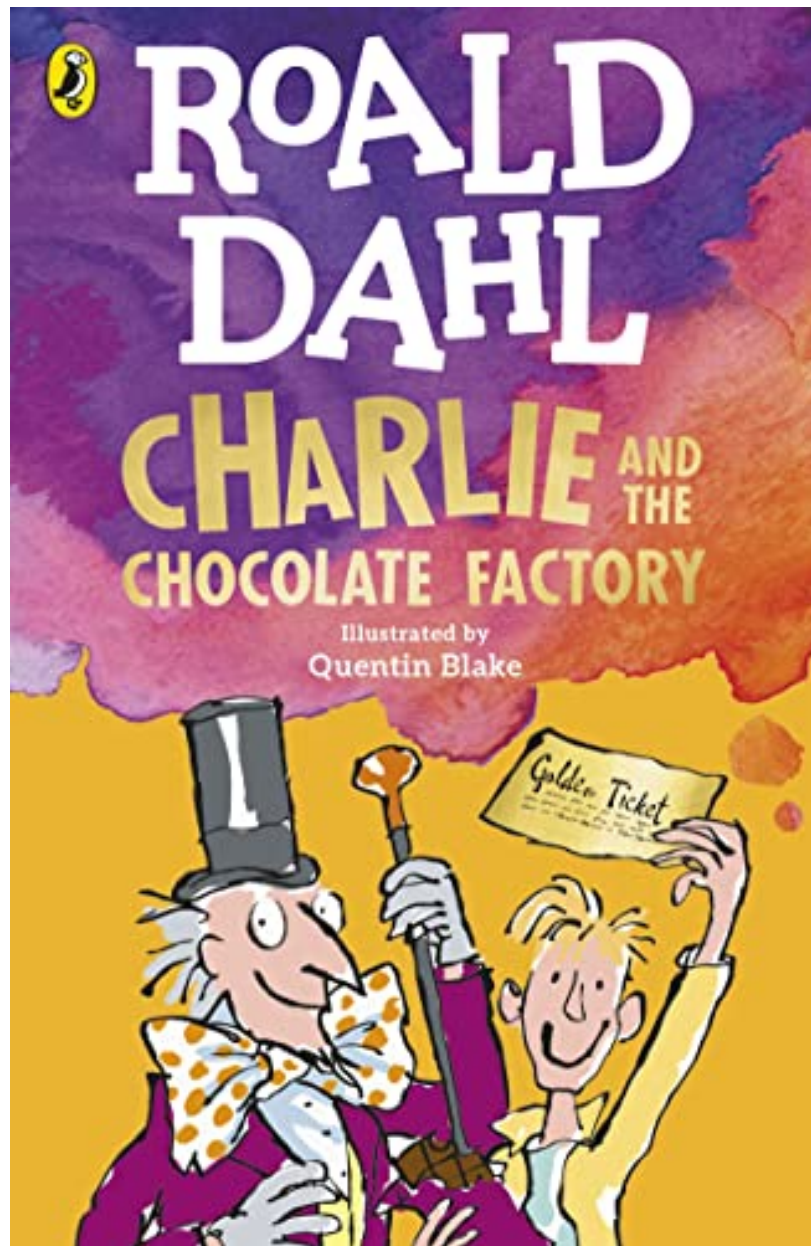
Book Review by Rayan, Year 3 Holly

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

In this book, Charlie won the golden ticket and went to the Chocolate Factory when some incredible things happened...

I think that this book is brilliant and my favourite parts are when Augustus Gloop was really greedy for chocolate that he fell into the sizzling pool of chocolate and got stuck, secondly Mike TV got trapped in the television and antennas because of his greediness for chocolate and television. I really enjoyed reading both the parts because they are funny and strange but mostly very interesting. My favourite character is Mike TV because he is very funny. He became really small when he came out of the television.

If I had to rate the book, I would give it 5 out of 5 stars because through this book we can learn that if we are greedy, there will be consequences.



SCHOOL

Written by Eileen Year 4 Juniper Class

Can I tell you about somewhere
really cool?

Well it's school!!!

Yep it's even got a swimming
pool!

Its really fun at Maple Club

And at Book club!

The classes are named after
trees

And the lessons are a breeze

The Pantry's dinners are yum!

And people can help out, just
like my mum!

Over here the main colour is
blue,

We even get a jab for the flu,

At school everyone is happy!

But no one wears a nappy!

Somewhere that rules?

It's school!!!

GOOD NIGHT

Written by Fareeda Year 5 Elm Class

Good night, sleep tight
Don't let the BedBugs bite,
And if they do, get a shoe,
And whack them on the Doodle-
do.

And if they don't, put on a coat,
And ride in a little fairy boat,
And when you dream, put on
your cream,
And go on the gymnastic beam.

So when you sleep, dream of
sheep,
And what each one of them does
as they leap.

Once Again I Say

GOOD NIGHT

SLEEP TIGHT

AND MAKE SURE YOU'RE
ALRIGHT.

The James Webb Space telescope

The James Webb Space telescope (JWST) is a space telescope which was surprisingly launched on Christmas day! How cool is that!

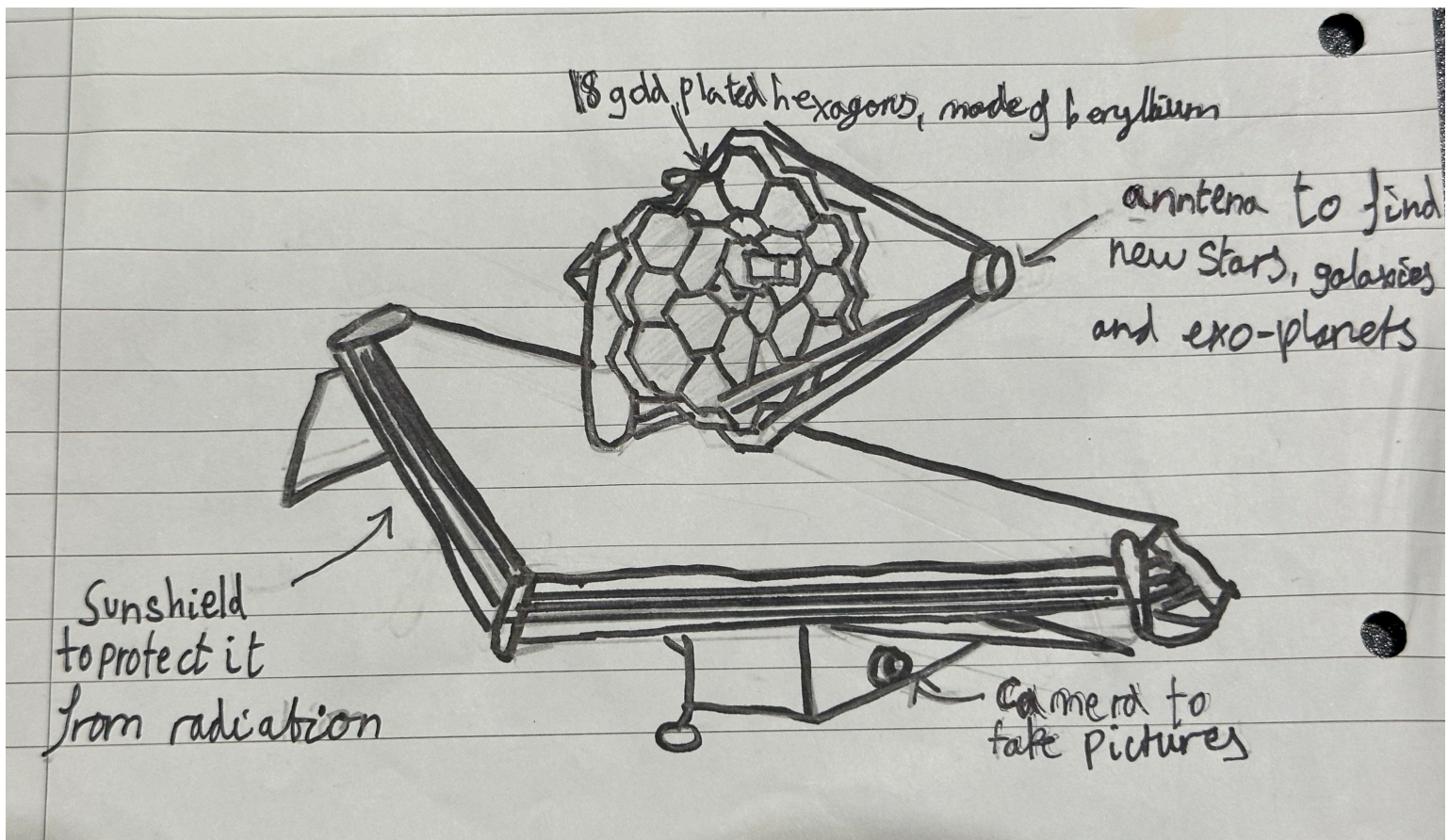
How did it get the name? Well if you are wondering, it was named after James.E.Webb. He was the NASA Administrator from 1961- 1968 during the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programmes.

The telescope was launched on an Ariane 5 robot from Korou, French Guiana.

New Discovery

The JWST, which is running well, has stumbled upon something scientists are looking for. A study about the Jupiter size, Saturn mass exoplanet HAT-P-18b has a very small tail.

Written by Reyansh Year 5 Elm Class



Recipes

Ginger biscuits

Prep: 20 minutes

Easy

Cook: 10 minutes

Makes 20

Ingredients

- 100g salted butter cubed
- 75g light brown soft sugar
- 1 tbsp grated fresh ginger
- 100g golden syrup
- 250g self-raising flour
- 1½ tbsp ground ginger
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 1 small egg yolk, beaten

Method

- STEP 1
- Heat the oven to 190C/170C fan/gas 5. Line two large baking trays with baking parchment. In a saucepan over a low heat, melt the butter, sugar, fresh ginger and golden syrup and leave to cool.
- STEP 2
- Mix the flour, ground ginger and bicarbonate of soda together in a bowl with a wooden spoon. Gradually stir in the cooled sugar mixture and the egg yolk and knead briefly to make a dough.
- STEP 3
- Roll the dough into 20g balls and put on the prepared baking trays with 3cm between each to allow for spreading. Bake for 8-10 mins until golden brown. Leave to cool on the trays for a min, then transfer to a cooling rack to cool completely.

Why not make them into heart shaped biscuits for Valentines Day!



Pancakes

Prep: 10 Minutes

Easy

Cook: 20 Minutes

Makes 12

Ingredients

- 100g plain flour
- 2 large eggs
- 300ml milk
- 1 tbsp sunflower or vegetable oil, plus a little extra for frying
- lemon wedges to serve (optional)
- caster sugar to serve (optional)

Method

- STEP 1
- Put 100g plain flour, 2 large eggs, 300ml milk, 1 tbsp sunflower or vegetable oil and a pinch of salt into a bowl or large jug, then whisk to a smooth batter.
- STEP 2
- Set aside for 30 mins to rest if you have time, or start cooking straight away.
- STEP 3
- a medium frying pan or crêpe pan over a medium heat and carefully wipe it with some oiled kitchen paper.
- STEP 4
- When hot, cook your pancakes for 1 min on each side until golden, keeping them warm in a low oven as you go.
- STEP 5
- Serve with lemon wedges and caster sugar, or your favourite filling. Once cold, you can layer the pancakes between baking parchment, then wrap in cling film and freeze for up to 2 months.



Wordsearch

- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Nascot Wood
- ☐ Learn
- ☐ Fun
- ☐ School
- ☐ Educate
- ☐ Positive
- ☐ Read
- ☐ Enjoy
- ☐ Friends
- ☐ Lunch
- ☐ PSHE

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Created by Alisa

Winter Anagrams

Created by Prajna, Year 6 - Rowan Class

These words have been mixed up. Can you unscramble them to find the bonus word?

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Winter Anagram Answers

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Bonus Word

Who is up for a CHALLENGE?



10-19 March
British
Science
Week
2023

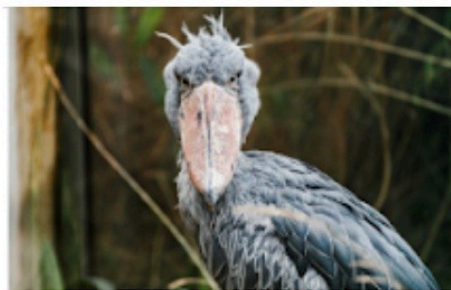


Image above is a Shoebill Balaeniceps Rex - Exotic bird from hottest Africa

The Challenge:

- To 'Create' a Bird' using 4 sheets of plain or coloured A4 paper only (from your recycling bin/crate)
- Get the children to work either in pairs at school or individually at home
- Children can only use scissors and their engineering skills to create their birds - research different types of birds, their colours, shapes, what they feed on etc

This year we would like the children to name their bird and tell us about it - where it is from, what it eats etc.

- No glue, sticky tape, staples or paper clips to be used
- Take no longer than one hour, including practising techniques

British Science week is the 10 - 19th March.

This year's STEM point challenge is to 'Create a Bird'. If any pupils are interested in taking part please see the information above. You will need to take pictures of your creations (max 3) and share them with me on your Google Drive. Pictures should be labelled with your name and class. There will be a winner from each class. Entries will need to be sent in no later than March 19th.

Get creative and good luck!

Mrs Keane
Science lead

Have a
wonderful
half term and
watch out for the
second edition
March 2023...