

Saturn's Stone Age People



On Wednesday you may have noticed some strangely dressed characters entering the playground - Saturn class welcomed a Stone Age visitor, so had come dressed for the occasion! We had a BRILLIANT day - our visitor talked to us about the animals that would have been found wandering around where our school now is, what the people would have been like and how they would have lived, and how we know this. We got to hold and discuss many exciting, rare artefacts, not least a huge mammoth tusk and a copper axe blade found and made in the Saffron Walden area, which is well-known for such finds. We are now ready to go and dig up our gardens to see what we can unearth - parents, this may be useful for you to know...?!



Saturn the Scientists



The children in Saturn class have been busy scientists/geologists this week, exploring the fascinating world of rocks! They've learnt about the three main types of rocks and how each one is formed through different natural processes.

Igneous rocks form when molten magma or lava cools and solidifies, either beneath the Earth's surface or after a volcanic eruption. The children were amazed to learn that pumice, a type of igneous rock, can actually float on water!

Sedimentary rocks are created when layers of sediment - such as sand, mud, and tiny pieces of shells - build up over millions of years and are compressed together. The class enjoyed examining fossils, which are often found preserved in sedimentary rocks like limestone and sandstone.

Metamorphic rocks start as either igneous or sedimentary rocks but are transformed by intense heat and pressure deep within the Earth. The children were fascinated to discover that marble, used in beautiful sculptures and buildings, begins life as limestone before being changed into something entirely new.

Saturn class have thoroughly enjoyed their rock investigation and are now expert rock identifiers!

Mars Mathematics

In Mars class we have learned about Symmetry! We painted butterflies and then pressed them together to make a symmetrical pattern on the opposite side! How clever!!



Attendance Winners of the Week!



Regular school attendance is one of the most important factors in your child's academic success and personal development. Each day at school offers unique learning opportunities, social interactions and experiences that cannot be replicated at home. When children attend consistently, they build strong relationships with teachers and peers, develop essential life skills and maintain the momentum needed to master complex concepts.

Missing school, even occasionally, can create gaps in learning that compound over time. Children who attend regularly achieve better grades, develop confidence and stay engaged with their education. Beyond academics, school provides a structured environment where children learn vital social skills and teamwork abilities.

Congratulations to Mercury Class for having the highest attendance last week!

As our attendance winners, they will enjoy an extra 10 minutes of playtime as a reward for their excellent commitment to being in school every day.

We encourage all families to prioritise school attendance and to contact us early if challenges arise. Together, we can ensure every child has the best possible chance to thrive and reach their full potential.

Jupiter Class: 98.2%

Saturn Class: 96.9%

Mercury Class: 98.3%

Mars Class: 98.1%



Pawsome Reader



Congratulations to our fantastic reader this week!

We're absolutely thrilled to celebrate someone who has shown such brilliant dedication to reading.

This week's star has been committed to picking up a book most days of the week, which is truly wonderful to see. Reading regularly is one of the best habits you can develop, and you're doing brilliantly!

Your enthusiasm and consistent effort haven't gone unnoticed. Keep up this wonderful attitude



With all my puppy love: Jaffle xxx

Important Dates, Events and REMINDERS:

- *Saturday 18th October @ 18:00-20:00 - PTA Quiz Night**
- *Thursday 23rd October @ 13:30-15:15 - Mars Class Safari**
- *Friday 24th October - Last Day of Autumn Term 1 (normal school day)**

- *Monday 3rd November - First Day of Autumn Term 2**
- *Wednesday 5th November - Guy Fawkes - Special Lunch at School**
- *Thursday 6th November @ 20:00 - Two Johns Online safety workshop for ALL parents - PLEASE ATTEND - You will be sent a link nearer the time**
- *Monday 24th November - Flu immunisation day - more details to follow**

- * Friday 12th December @ 10:00 and 14:00 - Nativity Play Performances**
- *Wednesday 24th December - Christingle Service @ 16:00**

Uniform for 2025-2026

Trousers	Navy Blue
Shorts	Navy Blue (Smart)
Skirts	Navy Blue
Pinafore	Navy Blue
Polo Shirt	Light Blue
Jumpers	Navy Blue
Cardigans	Navy Blue
Sweat-shirt	Navy Blue
Summer Dress	Blue & White Check
School Shoes	Black (No Trainers/no boots)
P.E Kit Winter	Navy Sweatshirt & Tracksuit Bottoms
P.E Kit Summer	Navy Polo Shirt and Navy Blue Shorts
P.E Shoes	Black Plimsolls or Black trainers
Swimming Kit	Swimsuit (girls) Swimming Trunks (boy) Swimming hat Pool will not allow boys wearing long swimming trunks Towel
Hair Accessories	Blue, white or black only
Jewellery	Earrings: small studs only Watch



A huge thank you to parents and carers who have made sure that our lovely pupils are wearing the correct uniform. They look lovely and so smart! Please make sure that your children also have the correct P.E. kit as we will be doing lots of exercises! Also make sure that you take out earrings on P.E. days. Jupiter Class parents and carers, please make sure that your child has a P.E. kit as well as a swimming kit ready. Thanks :-)