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SOUTH DARLEY C.E.  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Celebrating Our Week

Friday 17th November 2023

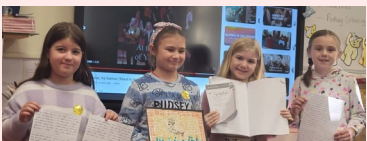
### Infants looking back at last week

We had amazing sporting success at the Highfields Sports Hall Athletics- it's the first time this event has had a competitive element and we won! We explored 2D and 3D shapes and used mathematical language to describe their sides, edges, vertices and faces. We found out about the story of Guy Fawkes and the origins of our Bonfire Night tradition. Pupils asked some great questions that made Miss Gill's head hurt! Reception learnt different poems finding the rhyming string and debating whether the two poems "What are little girls made of? and What are little boy's made of?" were fair or not. They learnt Makaton through nursery rhymes and performed in front of the school during assembly. In Maths Reception identified properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

### Infants Looking forward to next week

We will read, learn and perform a selection of 'list poems' including The Sound Collector by Roger McGough, which is one of the poems displayed in our playground. We will start artwork related to the changing seasons as we observe features of the weather. We will continue to rehearse for the Nativity service - some pupils may bring home a script and it would be great if they could have some help at home to learn their parts. Reception will have more fun with poetry and will write their own poems and learn familiar nursery rhymes. In Maths Reception will learn about money, playing shops and asking which item costs more or less. They will do lots of coin recognition as well as working out which coin value is higher or lower.

**Best work of the week was awarded to** James, Libby, Thia-Louise, Margot, Minnie, Rosa, Elsie, Walter, Ella, Flo, Beshlie, Garin, William and Olivia



### Lower Juniors looking back at last week

A big highlight of our week was speaking to Christina Balit the author and illustrator of 'Escape from Pompeii'. She took the time to answer our questions and tell us all about her creative process from start to finish in producing her books. In Art we looked at her illustrations with the intent to create our own in the coming weeks. In History, we found out about everyday lives of Romans in Britain compared with our life today. We researched different facts about what Romans wore, ate and did for entertainment and then thought of examples from our own lives to make comparisons.

### Lower Juniors looking forward to next week

In Literacy we will use our research on Roman lives to create comic books inspired by our current text. We will think about how to include key features of comic books and will make them into mini booklets for readers to enjoy. In Maths, we will continue to look at multiplication and division, Y3 will look at 3 times table and Y4 will look at 6 and 9 times table. In Science, we will look at the poles on magnets and carry out an investigation into whether all coins are magnetic before thinking about why this might be.

### Upper Juniors looking back at last week

We completed our iMovies persuading people to visit Italy and finished our descriptive poetry based on volcanoes. Pupils are keen to share their iMovies with parents so we will upload them to Class Dojo portfolios next week. It was great to speak on Zoom to the author Christina Balit and hear about her creative process when writing and illustrating books. We got lots of chance to ask her questions too about 'Escape from Pompeii'. We started our work on electricity in Science and in Topic we imagined we were in the bath house in Roman times.

### Upper Juniors looking forward to next week

We will explore electrical circuits and draw them with the correct scientific symbols. We will make some simple circuits and look at how the voltage of battery alters the brightness of the bulb. In Literacy we will think about what we would like to write a Roman mystery story about using our book, 'The Thieves of Ostia' for inspiration. We will find out more about Roman leisure activities and create our own fact files.

## House Points

Haddon— 31

Riber— 36

Chatsworth— 26

House Points Prize Winners—

Isla & Nicholas

## PE Stars of the Week

Jessie &  
Tayla

Hunter &  
Anna

## What's on next week

Mon 20th	Family photographs 8.30am in the staff room. Younger siblings & parents welcome for family photographs. Individual photographs 9am
Tues 21st	Family Service St Mary's Church all welcome. Individual violin lessons with Mrs Basford
Weds 22nd	Little Darlings Toddler Group 10.30am—12 noon. School Swimming Y5/6. Please remember swim kits, swim hats and remove jewellery.
Thurs 23rd	Juniors Ukulele Lessons
Fri 24th	Forest Schools -Year 5 Please wear long sleeves, long trousers (not leggings), sturdy shoes and weather appropriate outer wear. PE at School for other years. Full school PE kit please—white PE T shirt, red shadow stripe shorts or grey/black jogging bottoms and red school jumper. No earrings and no hoodies. Longer hair to be tied back please. FOSDS Body Shop Evening 7pm for a 7.30pm start in the village hall.



## Sports Events & Results

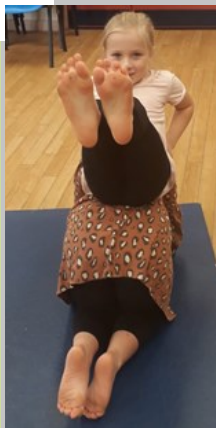
### Infants Sports Hall Athletics—Highfields Lumsdale

Well done to all our infants who participated in the Sports Hall Athletics at Highfields Lumsdale. it's the first time this event has had a competitive element and we won!



**Thank you** all for your donations in aid of Children in Need 2023. We raised a grand total of **£74.52.**

### Infant Gymnastics in the Village Hall



### Forest Schools



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