



Corrie Forum

October 2022

Corrie Primary and Nursery School
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The Golden Rules

We are kind and gentle
We are prepared for the school day
We work hard
We look after property
We listen to people
We are honest

Attendance

The whole school attendance target for the school year is 97%

ParentMail App

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Did you know?

Corrie Primary and Nursery school is a healthy school, we promote health and well-being for our children. As part of our school policy, children may bring fruit or vegetables for their playtime snack and water is available for children to drink throughout the day.

Check the website

See our website for all the latest school information, events, class details and class blogs

www.corrie.tameside.sch.uk

Dates for your diary

Month October / November		
Day	Date	Event
Monday	31 st October	School reopens
Monday	31 st October	Deadline for secondary school applications
Friday	11 th November	PTA Coffee morning and meeting Children's Flu vaccinations
Friday	11 th November	remembrance assembly
Wednesday	9 th November	Remote parents' evenings
Thursday	10 th November	Remote parents evening
Friday	25 th November	Roman experience year 4

Coffee Morning Special Guest

On Monday 21st November our fantastic School Nurse Sarah Beetham will be coming into school for a Coffee Morning. Sarah is absolutely lovely and has a wealth of knowledge on children's health and well-being. If you have a concern about your child's health or just want to come and see what the school nursing service has to offer please come and join us in The Rainbow Room in KS2 at 9.00am where we will be waiting for you with a nice warm cup of tea/coffee and some toast.

Mrs Higginbotham and Miss Spalding

Nursery Class



The nursery class have been very busy this half term. We have taken part in activities related to families, homes and ourselves.

We have shared a wide variety of stories, including 'The Gingerbread Man' and baked gingerbread biscuits.

We have made lots of creative crafts including self-portraits, magic potions, vegetable prints, fingerprint trees, leaf wreaths.

We practised performing the Joseph Coelho poem

Reception

What an incredible half term it has been! It has been wonderful to see the children settle in and develop a sense of themselves in our school community. It has been a pleasure getting to know each every one of you. Thank you for a fantastic start to the year.



We have been learning lots of songs and nursery rhymes at school, click the links to sing them at home too.

Happy Hand Washing Song - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kHPQrYthn6M>

Wind the Bobbin up - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WwdxJnAA6CI>

Down in the Jungle - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K1fZHogdH-E&t=10s>

Five Little Speckled Frogs - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q_hzAlnSw5w

Five Little Ducks - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cwtgD1nPsQ>

Five Little Pumpkins - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trDI36m9pgA>

Rain, Rain Go Away - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFrKYjrlDs8>

What's the Weather? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUSbzn3STo>

In Phonics and Literacy, we have been sharpening our knowledge of initial sounds (the first sound in a word), the ability to breakdown and blend the sounds together in a word and develop our knowledge of story language. We have loved playing lots of games to practice these skills especially a special version of Simon Says. Here's an example of how to play: Simon Says 'stand u-p' and the children blend the two sounds together to understand that the word is 'up'. The children would love to play this at home too so they can practice and strengthen their blending skills even more.

In Maths, we have loved learning about early number concepts, such as numbers within 5, counting to 5, sorting items into groups and comparing numbers. Here's a little snapshot of us designing fruit kebabs using multilink to represent our fruit choices. Then describing which fruits we have more and fewer of.



Next half term our theme moves onto learning around the seasons, Autumn and Winter, and Celebrations. We hope you have a lovely half-term break!

Take care,
The Reception Team

Year 1

Children have settled brilliantly into the new school term and we are very proud of how enthusiastic they've been in meeting their new challenges. We have already received some amazingly creative home works inspired by our first topic - SPACE! We've been on a trip to the moon for a picnic after a spaceship crashed in our playground! We have been learning to use laptops in our Computing lessons and rapping and dancing Hip Hop style in our music project Hey You! Well done Year 1 you are making your teachers so proud!



Year 2



This half term in year 2, we have been learning all about Denton and some of our history. We have learnt that there used to be four amazing factories in Denton and that our area was famous for making lots of hats. Our school houses are named after the factories; Moores, Wilsons, Bevans and Howes. We have had some fantastic homework in this half term to do with our Denton topic. Here are some photographs.



Christmas is a time of STRESS!!

Christmas for most families is the time of year that they really look forward to but for some families it is a time of dread. Added expense of presents, parties and Christmas dinner. Spending time with people that you really don't get on with, or on the other hand, not having a loved one at the Christmas table because they are in hospital, have passed away or you have separated.

This year there is also the added worry of the cost of Christmas with the increased cost of living.

If you are not looking forward to Christmas this year and would like to talk to someone then please come and see Mrs Higginbotham and I will be more than willing to listen to you and maybe offer you some help. Please do not feel that you are on your own we are here to support you.

Mrs Higginbotham

Cost of Living

We know that this is having a huge impact on lots of families and is a really worrying time. It can not only put pressure on finances but also relationships increases anxiety and stress. If you are struggling financially or emotionally, please come on to see us.

We have access to food banks which can relive the stress of worrying how you're going to keep you family fed so you can use that money on bills. Don't forget if your child receives free school meals then you can also come to The Breakfast Club which is free.

We are also here to support you. In order to be the best parent/carer for your child you need to look after yourself and we can offer you that support you may need to get you through this difficult time. You can see us on the gate each morning or send an email to admin and we will contact you.

Take care

Mrs Higginbotham and Miss Spalding

Boost Class

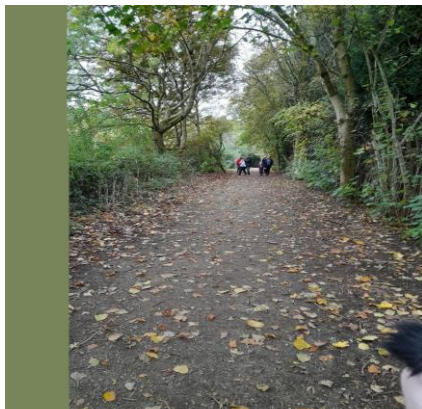
It has been fantastic to welcome new children and staff to Boost Group and we are all settling into our new classroom. The children have been improving their cricket skills in PE, started their topic about the Tudors and have been learning about light in science. They have had fun creating their own shadow puppets and experimenting with different effects using the puppets.

We have been continuing our work on reading fluency. All the staff were impressed, when despite their fears, the children read the poem 'In Autumn' during our National Poetry Day assembly.

Resource Base

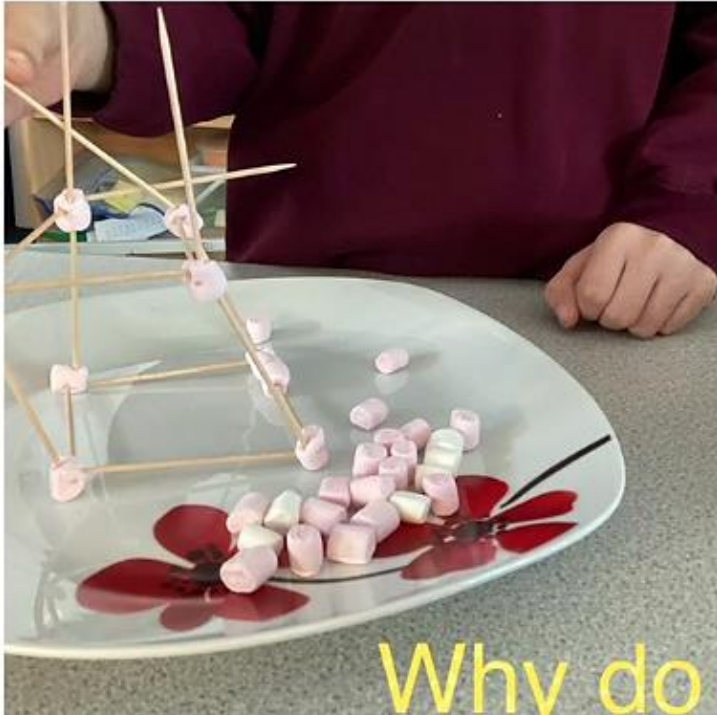
In the KS1 resource base this half term, we have been celebrating ourselves -we have painted self-portraits, used all of our senses and looked at our families.

On Wednesday, children, parents and grandparents from KS1 Unit, enjoyed an Autumn Walk to the woods! We looked for signs of Autumn and collected colourful leaves, some acorns, sticks and conkers that we took back to the classroom to make beautiful pictures.



Year 3

The children have been really busy in 3L since the start of term. They have all settled really well into their new routine. They have just completed writing their own version of the story Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura. In maths we have been learning how to add and subtract 3 digit numbers involving exchanging. In science we have been investigating why we need a skeleton. The children thoroughly enjoyed their practical experiment using marshmallows and cocktail sticks and they have learned about animals with different kinds of skeletons.



Why do we need
a skeleton?

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Year 4

This half term year 4 have had a wonderful time in our science/nature area during our forest school lessons. We explored the woodland area and climbed trees. We have learnt how to build and start a campfire using a Flint and Steel, once we succeeded, we enjoyed toasting bread. Another day we worked as a team to attach the hammocks to the trees. We challenged each other, boys against girls to see who could build them in the quickest time. The girls were crowned Hammock Champions!

We played various games including Sneaky Ninja and Capture the flag.

We challenged ourselves to face some fears by climbing trees and showed resilience when we found things difficult by pushing ourselves to succeed.



Year 5

This half term, we have been learning about Sir Mo Farah as part of Black History Month. We have been finding out about the achievements in his life and his accomplishments. We have also worked really hard on performance poetry and written and performed our own class poem based on 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. We really enjoyed including actions to our poem and performing it to the other KS2 children for National Poetry Day. We are all still really enjoying our exciting class novel 'The Nowhere Emporium' and predicting what is going to happen next. We had a great visit to St Mary's Church and listening to the story and singing together. We are looking forward to next half term and learning more about the Tudors and starting our new English topic 'Pandora'

Year 6

Year 6 have had a great start to the year. We have enjoyed learning about North America as part of our topic work and have been comparing the human and physical geography of different countries in the continent. The children have impressed us with some of the fantastic homework that they have produced so far.

We thoroughly enjoyed celebrating National Poetry Day on October 6th. We joined in a live lesson with poet Joseph Coelho and wrote our own poems inspired by nature. Some of the children then performed them in assembly and read them beautifully. We now have several budding poets in year 6!

We've have been getting stuck into our class novel 'Holes' in guided reading and have been gripped by the story so far. The children have worked hard on their confidence and expression when reading aloud and we are really starting to notice the difference.

Well done to a fantastic start to year 6!

Reminder to parents

Secondary school application deadline is Monday 31st October 2022!!

School Dinners

If your child is on school dinners or a packed lunch and wishes to swap, please contact the office and give one weeks' notice of the change.

Reception to Year 2 children are entitled to a free healthy school dinner cooked on the premises (Universal Infant Free School Meals)

Clothing

Please could you ensure that everything your child brings into school is labelled with their names, including all items of clothing, PE kit, swimming things etc. We have a lot of lost property already with no names in it and have no way of reuniting it with its owners.



We are working with a charity called Coram Beanstalk to recruit and train volunteer reading helpers who can commit to an afternoon or two a week to come in to school. As a reading helper you will support at least 3 children on a one to one basis outside of the classroom environment. It's a fun role that's about much more than just listening to children read.

As a reading helper you will support children to become readers; helping children to switch onto reading, learn to read and become confident independent readers. You will be trained in a proven approach and will lead sessions for each child that bring fun and enjoyment to the reading experience, ultimately wanting the child to choose to read and be enthusiastic about it!

Reading helpers read to the child, talk about what they have read, check understanding and encourage thinking and conversation based on a book. They use fun book-based activities to reinforce understanding, develop vocabulary and further cement enjoyment through a positive reading experience. We know this approach works and raises reading attainment, with one to one sessions bringing additional benefits of improving confidence, self-esteem and attitude to learning.

If you would like to become a reading helper at our school, or you know someone, perhaps a grandparent or a neighbour who would like to join our friendly school community please do consider this role.

For more information or if you wish to apply, visit the website at www.corambeanstalk.org.uk or call 0207 729 4087.

Message from your Headteacher

It's been a fantastic start to the school year, our Nursery and Reception classes have settled into school routine really quickly. Lots of children have been enjoying our Forest school sessions, it's great to see the children learning outside and enjoying being in the fresh air. I really enjoyed hearing all the children's poems on National Poetry day, they all performed so well and amazed me with how they remembered all the words.

Thanks to all the Children, Parents and Grandparents who joined us for our Harvest assembly at St Marys, it was great to be together, many thanks for all your food donations, I know our local community will really benefit from them.

We are looking forward to having more events in school where we can share all our fantastic learning with you.

Have a great half term break

Mrs Cartledge