

# News from us



Week ending 27th January 2020



## From Mrs Barber

We have had a busy start to the new term with a growing list of children who have achieved 'The Santa Challenge'. Please encourage your child to read and review the Christmas gift so they can swap books and enjoy others. One more week to go. Well done to:

Henry, Martha, Tilda, Millie, Seb, Ruby, Isaac, Rosie M, Joe, Hollie P, Joseph, Holly W and Bessie.

## Author Visit

Last week we had an visit from the author C.S Clifford. We all started the morning together where Steve talked to us about being an author. We all got the opportunity to ask him questions and we were impressed how many questions the children had. After, all of the children were set a task based on time travel. Steve then spent time in all the classes and all the children were enthused with his ideas and the excitement he demonstrated towards reading and writing. The activities included some story telling sessions, writing their own time travelling story and imagining a new world. For KS2 he also held editing and dramatic sentence sessions. At the end of the day, Steve commented how he was impressed by the behaviour of our pupils and their imaginations.



## Science Week—3rd February 2020

Monday—Science week introduction in worship

Tuesday—Playtime experiments

Wednesday—Bristol Science Museum visit

Thursday—Science Workshops for children and parents

Friday—Playtime experiments.

## Burn's Night

January 25th 2020 is Burn's Night. We will be having a flavour of this celebration on Wednesday 29th January. The children can add something tartan to their uniform. They will be tasting haggis and trying some Scottish Dancing.



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## Year R 1

Wow, I am amazed by all the incredible space projects that have been created and brought in. Thank you very much for all your time and effort. It's been lovely to hear about all the family members helping their child and to see how proud they are of their design. We are very excited about our new topic on Space and have been blasting off into outer space and landing on different planets in our role play. Last week, we received a letter and a new book about "The Man on the Moon" so we thought it would be a great idea to fly to the moon in our rocket and explore what it's like to be Bob, working there. Through our topic we have been exploring different materials and finding out what properties they have. Next week we are going on a different adventure and flying to China to celebrate the key event: Chinese New Year. Please remember, to board our Upton Snodsbury flight - the children will need to bring in their made up passport.

## Year 2

In our topic learning this week, we have used atlases to locate and name the seven continents of the world, along with the five oceans of the world. We have also explored the names of our major cities within our Country and used atlases to find their locations. In English, we have been learning about the key features of instructions—how to get them out and what important information to include. We cannot wait to use these skills to write our own instructions for Year R 1 about how we made our very own balloons!

## Year 3 4

We have now begun our new topic on light and electricity. The children have investigated what needs light and what uses electricity. After, they discussed which one was the most important. They have also looked at reflective materials and using this knowledge they have created a shield which would be effective for Perseus to use against Medusa. In English, we have focused on myths and legends and the children have been reading and discussing a range of them. We are currently designing our own! Our class story which we are focusing on is The Terrible Tale of the Lambton Worm.

### Children's Charity Effort

Holly W will soon be having her hair cut and is raising money for the Little Princess Trust. If you would like to donate to Holly's just giving page click on link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/dean-while>



**Fuss Movie Night**  
**Friday 7th February**



**£3.00 a ticket to include**  
**Squash and Popcorn**  
**Tickets from School Office**

### Letters sent out in the last 2 weeks:

**24th January 2020**

**Whole School**

Bristol Science Museum

Thinking of Others Flyer

Club Letter Confirmation—Yr 1, 2, 3/4

**Yr 2, 3 and 4**

Fizz Pop Science Club

**Yr 2 and 3**

Malvern Letter

**17th January 2020**

**Whole School**

Spring Parents Diary Dates 2020

FUSS Newsletter January 2020

Operation Encompass

Legoland flyer

**Yr 1, 2, 3 and 4**

Club Choices