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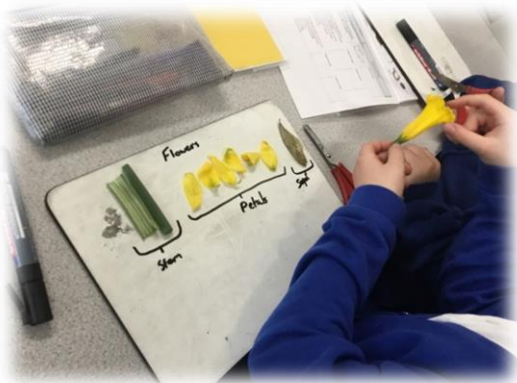
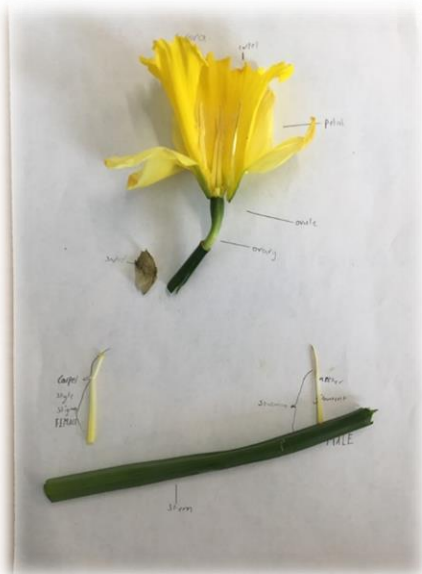
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Dissecting Plants

Our Year 5 children have been learning about flowering plants in Science; their parts and functions. In recent lessons, the children dissected daffodils and identified the parts and explained the function of each. These practical lessons deepen children's understanding of what they are learning.



Expanded Noun Phrases

In Year 2, our children have been looking at how to improve their writing by including expanded noun phrases in their writing. As part of their learning, the children were engaged in a fun and inclusive activity of rolling the dice for additional ideas.



Investigating Plants

In Science, Year 3 have begun exploring plants. The children have been exploring the requirements for growth and investigating what happens if these requirements are taken away. The children have also used their observational skills to look at flowering plants, including the features which help to make new seeds.



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Food Packaging

As part of the children's learning in Year 4, the children brought in a variety of food packaging from home. In groups, the children sorted the packages into categories. Some groups sorted their packaging based on what they are made of whilst others separated them into recyclable and non-recyclable.

The children noticed that most of the food packaging contained plastic. As part of their learning, the children will be designing packages to reduce the use of plastics. We can't wait to see their designs.



Foods from Around the World

This term, Year 2 are learning about food from around the world linked to their Geography lessons. The children enjoyed exploring food from different countries and tasted scones from Devon, Daal from Nepal, Rye bread from Iceland and Brigadeiro (Chocolate truffles) from Brazil. To further consolidate their learning, the children will choose their favourite for their class to make. We are excited to see which food(s) will be the winner(s).



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Play at Hyde Park Schools

At Hyde Park Schools, we recognise that play is an important part of a child's development and encourage this amongst our children. Research shows that through play, children are able to think creatively and interact socially. Whilst we challenge our children in their learning, let's not forget the importance of play.

Click on the link below for 10 reasons why play is important.

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/10-reasons-why-play-important/>



Military Coffee Morning

We recently hosted a coffee morning for our military families. The morning was well spent with everyone hearing firsthand the sacrifices our families face and we discussed ways in which we can support moving forward. The children thoroughly enjoyed the art and craft activity.



Year 6 SATS – Best Wishes

As our children prepare to take their SATS tests next week, we would like to remind our children that there is no need to worry, and we know they will do their best.

Research shows that when children eat a good breakfast and are well hydrated, their ability to concentrate and focus on learning at school is improved. With this in mind, we are offering all Year 6 children the opportunity to attend school at 8:20a.m. on each day of the week commencing Monday 9th May, the week of their assessment tests, for a free breakfast! We would also like to remind parents, guardians, and carers of Year 6 children to ensure that they bring a small bottle of water to keep on their tables throughout the week of the tests.

We wish all our children every success in their tests!

Year 2 SATS

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers, children in Year 2 will be sitting their SATs during the week commencing Monday 16th May. It is also extremely important that they attend school every day.

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Please also remember that a good breakfast is always an essential meal for children before school, but in particular when they are sitting tests. Research has shown that children who eat a healthy breakfast have improved alertness, concentration, mental performance, mood and memory. We wish all our children every success in their tests!

Parents' Meetings – Thank You

Thank you to all parents, guardians and carers who were able to join us as we discussed the journey Hyde Park Schools are on, our vision for all children and how we are working as one school. It was a pleasure to hear your opinions and views which are valuable in our partnership with you as stakeholders.

The main points from the meetings were:

- We are determined to provide your child or children with a good start to the academic journey.
- Our curriculum continues to be revised to ensure it is broad, balanced and develops curiosity amongst children.
- We are heavily invested in our early years, to ensure that children have a strong foundation to the start of their education.
- Phonics, Reading and Mathematics are key priorities for us.
- Our curriculum is planned from Early Years to YR 6 for progression and continuity.
- We will continue to improve communication with parents.

*Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs. Y. Jones*

Rise in Chickenpox and Scarlet Fever

We would like to draw your attention to the recent increase in routine childhood infectious diseases which are currently rising across the country and specifically in the South West.

Chickenpox and scarlet fever are two routine childhood infections which are currently seeing some resurgence; both are considered to be common, mild and of low public health risk.

However, co-infection of both chickenpox and scarlet fever carries an increased risk of complications due to invasive infection and requires more proactive

engagement to prevent or mitigate the risk of severe disease.

We are asking all families to please ensure that you contact the office promptly if:

- There is a chickenpox outbreak at the same time as case(s) of scarlet fever.
- There is evidence of severe disease - for example, a child is admitted to hospital.

We would like to thank you in advance for your continued support in keeping our children and staff safe.

Peeverell Library

Peeverell Library is seeking your support in keeping open by having families joining the library. Please follow the link below to access information on how you can apply.

<https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/libraries/findlibraryandopeninghours/peverelllibrary>

Opening Hours for the Peeverell Library are below

Tuesday: 11am to 5pm

Thursday: 11am to 5pm

Library location

**242A Peeverell Park Road, Peeverell,
Plymouth, PL3 4QF
01752 305633
library@plymouth.gov.uk**

Relaunch of PTFA

The Parents, Teachers and Friends Association will be relaunching in the coming weeks. This is a good opportunity for parents, guardians and carers to be involved with fundraising activities for the schools, collaborating with different working parties across the school and meet and greet other parents, guardians and carers. More information will be forth coming in the coming weeks.

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New Governors Opportunities

Message from Mrs. Rachel Mathis, Chair of Governors

Are you (or someone you know) looking for a new opportunity to contribute to the development and education of our children through the future success of the Hyde Park Schools? The Federated Governing Body (FGB) is looking for new Co-opted Governors (formally known as Community Governors).

Governors can be parents, guardians, carers, or grandparents or those in the local community with an interest in the school. This is a voluntary role and requires commitment to undertake training, attend meetings and carry out monitoring visits in school. The FGB works closely with the Senior Leadership Team and with the Trust. If you are interested, please contact the school office by email with contact details.

Additional Holiday

Earlier in the year, The Horizon Trust recognised that the additional bank holiday the government have allocated for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations was subsumed into the half term holiday. In response an allocation for an additional day to the half term was made, meaning that **the school term ends on Thursday 26th May.**

Please note that school will therefore be closed on Friday 27th May school and reopen after the half term holiday on Monday 6th June.

Nominations for being enterprising.

Cedar	Ivy
Ash	Beatrice
Oak	Theo
Beech	Isaac
Poplar	Eric
Willow	Be
Holly	Angus
Elm	Archer
Sycamore	Emma
Keller	Beatrix
Seacole	Leon
Barnado	Chase
Attenborough	Rory
Curie	Bea
Hawking	Zayd
Ghandi	Maeve
King	Euan
Mandella	AvaRose
Pankhurst	Ameenah
Douglass	Louis
Dickens	Ashleigh

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Cedar	Anastasia
Ash	Arthur
Oak	Jayden
Beech	Maisie
Poplar	Jojo
Willow	Oscar
Holly	Harmony
Elm	Ben
Sycamore	Esther
Keller	Zeph
Seacole	Amelie
Barnado	Sammy
Attenborough	Kayleigh
Curie	Callum
Hawking	Emily
Ghandi	Travis
King	Mahika
Mandella	Zoe F
Pankhurst	Josh
Douglass	Gabi
Dickens	Max



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Monday, 9th – Thursday, 12 th	Year 6 SATs
Thursday, 12th @ 9:00a.m.	Parents' RWI Phonics Workshop
Friday, 13 th @ 9:00a.m.	PTFA Meeting
Monday, 16 th – Friday, 20 th	Year 2 SATs
Tuesday, 17 th @ 6:30p.m.	PTFA Meeting
Monday, 16th @ 2:45p.m.	Parents' RWI Phonics Workshop
Tuesday, 17 th @ 5:00p.m.	Parents' RWI Phonics Workshop

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