

18th November 2022

Montrose School

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Anti-bullying

We kickstarted 'Anti-Bullying Week' with 'Odd Sock Day' on Monday. The children (and staff!) looked fabulous in their odd socks and were brilliant at explaining how everyone is different and how this should be celebrated. As part of Anti-Bullying Week, classes have also been completing activities in class. The theme this year is REACH OUT, encouraging an empowered approach to do something to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. Together we can make a difference.

Music

The Montrose String Group are currently working very hard learning some festive pieces for our Christmas Assembly at the end of term. The sessions are during lunchtime on a Tuesday every week. Playing in a group is an important part of learning an instrument as well as being great fun!

Eco Schools

The Eco Schools Council have worked hard to start making Montrose even more environmentally friendly. We have started recycling pens, glue sticks and batteries, and encouraged more people to recycle paper every day. We have some exciting plans for the next few weeks and months so watch this space!



School Council

The School Council went on a trip to Sir Jonathan North Community College for leadership training, which involved the children giving a short presentation and also participating in team building events through sport and drama. All of the children had a fantastic day and represented Montrose in an exemplary manner!

**Donna, our Family Support Worker,
is available on 07378 285273.**

Attendance

Week commencing: **7 Nov 22**

Whole school: **89.5%**

National Attendance: **94.4%**

Difference: **-4.9%**

Highest Year Group:



Nursery

We have been creating a real winter tree this week. We also made Pudsey Bear masks and had lots of 'Children in Need' fun.



Reception

We have been learning all about 'Colourful Celebrations'. We have been very busy, making Diya lamps for Diwali, learning Diwali dances and dressing up in traditional clothes. We have enjoyed going to Forest School, exploring all sorts of activities and making bird feeders. We have also been talking about being kind to our friends and we raised awareness for anti-bullying by wearing odd socks!



Year 1

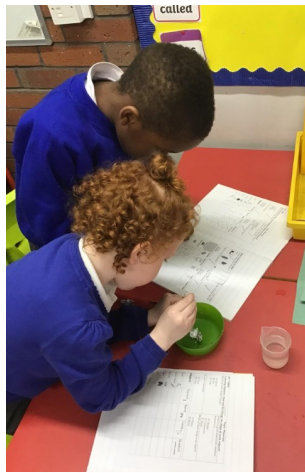
Year 1 children took part in a 'calm' workshop with RELATE. They created happiness boxes and thought about the different emotions they feel and how to manage them.

In their Commando Joe lesson, they had to use their teamwork skills to safely cross a bridge to get some apples to take to grandma's house. They worked on encouraging their team as well as congratulating the other team if they won.



Year 2

Year 2 have been having a fantastic start to this term! We have celebrated anti-bullying week, learned all about orchestras in music and started a very exciting English unit all about twisted fairy tales. We have also learned lots about different materials and how they can be changed - this has involved lots of 'practical' science which the children have really enjoyed!



Year 3

In design and technology, we are learning how to make healthy sandwiches. We tasted different types of bread and explored different fillings, vegetables and spreads and rated them out of 10. We planned what to put into our sandwich thinking about texture, taste and appearance.



Year 4

If you asked Year 4 what their favourite lesson has been this term, the majority would tell you the same one – D&T: Cooking! They enjoyed baking oat cookies where they did everything from the weighing out, to the sieving, mixing and shaping. And I hear they (and their families) enjoyed eating them when they got home too. Who knows, maybe one of them will be a future 'Great British Bakeoff' winner!



Year 5

The last couple of weeks have been very busy for year 5. 5G went and competed in an athletics event. All of year 5 attended an exciting trip to the space centre. We have also done some cooking to find out how to make pizza a healthier meal. We also solved a science murder mystery at Lancaster Academy.



Year 6

Year 6 had a great WW1 day. The children took part in lots of fun activities. They looked at how the war ended and how that affects our lives today and completed a fact file for a WW1 soldier. They walked down to St Andrews Church and sketched the war memorial and then created some collages based on these sketches. In the afternoon they used the internet to research more facts about WW1 and also made some delicious biscuits.

