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Mrs Tones' Message Of The Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

we have had another great week at Fellgate. Thank you to everyone who came along to join us in our Coronation Celebrations on Friday afternoon. It is so good to have our parents and carers back in school.

This week we have looked at the teaching of art across the school. We looked at the curriculum, planning, books and talked to our pupils. We have some very talented artists here at Fellgate ! Please ask your child to tell you what they have been learning about in Art.

I hope you all have a great bank holiday weekend!

Mrs Tones

Value of the half term

"Unique"

We all have different strengths and abilities and are special in our own way. It's good to be me!

Our Vision

At Fellgate Primary School, through an ethos of respect, challenge and resilience, we aspire to create an inclusive, safe, vibrant, happy school where each member of the school community - children, parents, carers, staff and governors - feels valued and are encouraged to be the best they can be. We celebrate individuality, striving for everyone to reach their full potential and "shine" in everything they do.

Rowans- 100%

Hollies - 90%

Maples - 100%

Cherries- 84%

Birches- 98%

Pines- 100%

Acorns- 84%

Hawthorns- 86%

Willows- 95%

Chestnuts- 96%

Blossoms- 89%

Sycamores- 90%

Oaks- 92%

Get up! Get in! Get on!

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Rowans: Nate A for following instructions when walking around school and he always has a smile on his face too! Well done Nate.

Hollies: Scarlett J for showing respect to her friends and for her increased participation in group activities. Well done!

Maples: George M for working hard making coronation decorations and crafts and for using colourful semantics to create sentences about King Charles. Well done George!

Cherries: Theo B for being so polite, kind and helpful to all of his peers in his class and other classes.

Birches: Max M for great work on fractions this week.

Pines: Rebecca- for excellent independent cutting skills during our Coronation activities this week- well done!

Acorns: Jennie C, for her amazing animal artwork when making an animal mask.

Hawthorns: Evan A for being kind friend to everyone in our class, but especially to our new friends who have joined our class.

Willows: Jessica C for her continuous commitment to her work. Well Done!

Chestnuts: Freddie M for trying much harder with his work; showing more independence and increased effort to complete all tasks.

Blossoms: Ava-Mae R for a super effort with her fabric crumb in Art this week. A unique design to be proud of.

Sycamores: Riley G. He has had a fantastic week. He is constantly looking for ways to improve his work, acting on advice and is a pleasure to have in class. Keep up the good work Riley, we're all very proud of you!

Oaks: Jake J for always giving 100% in everything he does and being a great friend.



Celebrating the Coronation of HRH King Charles III



This week at Fellgate we have been learning about all things royal ahead of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. Each class was tasked with learning and researching about different elements of the Coronation. Everyone had a fantastic time learning about the history of the Coronation of British monarchs. On Friday we invited parents/carers into school to join us in celebrating the Coronation with our very own street party. Everyone joined in the games, trying out our photo booth throne and also enjoying the tasty food.

We hope you enjoy reading all about our fun week of celebrations.



Coronation celebrations in Chestnuts

Ahead of the Coronation of HRH King Charles III, Chestnuts class have been making crowns and Union Jack flags. They have also been digging into their royal afternoon tea with cucumber sandwiches and jam cream scones. Then, to round off their celebrations they played games on the field.



Crafty Crowns in Acorns

This week in Acorns we have been getting into the Coronation spirit by using our art skills to create our very own crowns. We can't wait to wear them to our coronation party.



Crown making in Birches

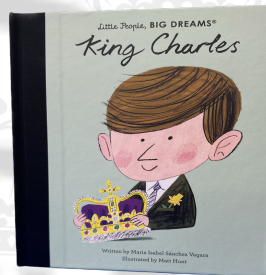
This week in Birches we have been making our very own Coronation crowns. Pupils all worked very hard to cut, stick and design their crowns. Well done Birches!





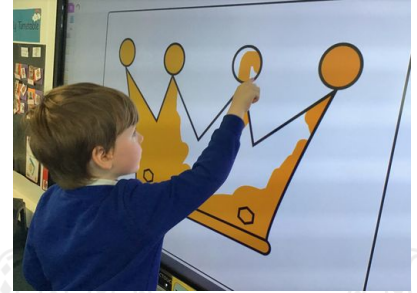
Kings and Queens of Hollies

This week Hollies class have worked together to recreate the Coronation crown. We also made our own crowns to wear at our Coronation celebration. We then created flags using our tea towel designs. Hollies also enjoyed reading a book all about King Charles. To round off our week of learning and celebrating the coronation of HRH King Charles III we spent some time being Kings and Queens wearing our crowns and robes. We all had a lovely time.



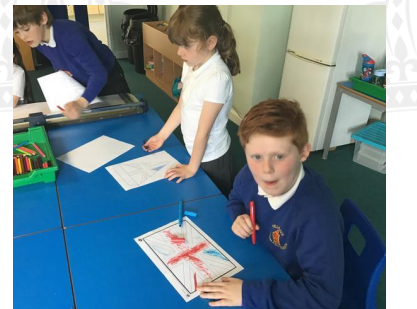
Royal Rowans Coronation Celebrations

This week in Rowans we have been getting into the full swing of the celebrations. We have been working hard using our art skills to make crowns and flags to take to our coronation party. We have also had fun using our ICT skills to use the interactive board to colour in crowns and flags. Rowans have certainly had a fun filled week. Well done Rowans!



Cherries & Willows Coronation Crafts

This week during integration Willows and Cherries have been preparing for the coronation of King Charles III. They were tasked with researching what King Charles would be wearing on the day of his coronation. We looked at the importance of the robes and why he wears them. We then worked together as a team to create our own robes. Our robes will soon go on display on our Coronation display in the hall. We also made our own Crowns and flags to use at our Coronation party. Well done Cherries and Willows.



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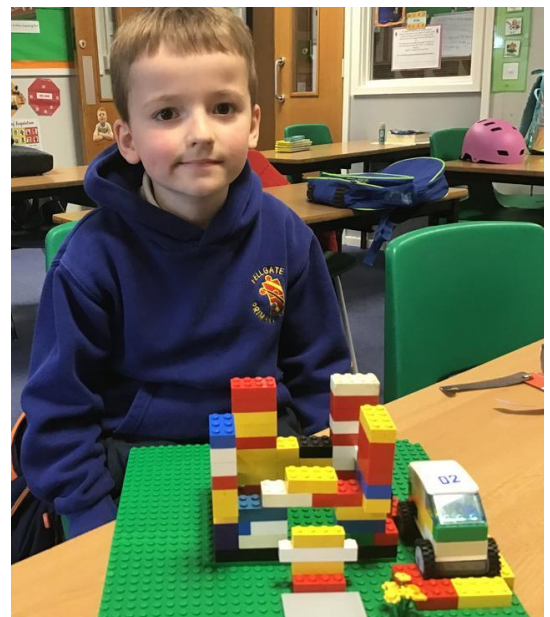
Mindfulness Club

Mindfulness Club runs every Thursday with Mrs Malone, Miss Henderson and Jo-Anne. We start with some gentle yoga or a story, then do some mindful colouring or sensory activities, and finish with a mindfulness activity on the interactive whiteboard or some guided meditation. We all leave feeling very calm and relaxed, and it's a great way to improve our mental health and wellbeing.



Construction Club

In construction club this week one of the pupils from Willows class created their very own coronation scene out of Lego. He worked incredibly hard and was so proud of his work. Well done!





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SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tech: it tends to deliver a poor experience with inferior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a reputation to protect.

TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio alert – avoiding those cushion-hurling panics when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first place.

CONTROL CALLING

Many smartwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to resist if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police; location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wrongly accusing someone.

BEWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth), it will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SIM card that you slot into the watch – or an eSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into any buying decision.

STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Galaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have 'hard fall' detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety features – allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

If you're worried your child's spending too much time slumped on the sofa staring at screens, smartwatches are great fitness trackers and can be a powerful incentive to get moving. Some devices will alert the wearer if they've been inactive for a long time and encourage them to do some exercise. Many watches record the user's daily step count and measure other health metrics.

MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.

Meet Our Expert

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#WakeUpWednesday

Dates for your diary

Monday 8th May -
Coronation of King
Charles III Bank
Holiday



Monday 29th May -
Bank Holiday

What's Happening at Fellgate

Breakfast Club

Main School: 07:45am - 08:40am

Base 8:30am - 09:00am

After School Clubs

Tuesday - Sensory, Dance, Creative

Wednesday - Football, Ninja Warrior

Thursday - Construction, Mindfulness, Recorder

Friday - Board game/Movie, SATS Boosters (Y6)

Parent and Toddler group

Every Thursday

9:00am - 11:00am

Thank you to all the parents/ carers who kindly donated food to our Coronation party. And also thank you to everyone who came along to enjoy the fun. We hope you had a wonderful time.