

Beside the nettle, ever grows the cure for its sting Mary Seacole

9th Oct 2020

Black History Month

We at St Lawrence believe that Black History should be taught all year, and not just for one month of the year. We are celebrating Black History month by purchasing a huge amount of books that cover Black History, Black Literature, and anti-racism; which we have spent the last six months researching and collating.

We will continue to celebrate Black History by working to embed it into our curriculum over the coming months, and we will continue to fight against racism by learning and educating ourselves through research and staff training. We can't wait to show you the amazing additions to our library, and welcome any input members of our community have as we go along this journey together. Here is a sample of just some of our new books.....



THUNK

Doing nothing with a friend is never doing nothing, is it?

Winning KS1 Answer by Stanley in Year 2

I like playing with friends who make up good games. Ben makes up good games and listens to everyone's ideas.

Winning KS3 Answer by Isabella in Year 3

I like playing football with my friends. It is good to spend some times doing nothing so you can make new friends with someone who is feeling left out.

Headteacher Awards

ALL Orange Circles, Leo, Dylan, Evie T, and Poppie-Rai, in Orange Circles; Taylor in Year 3

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R.E. in Year 1

In R.E. this term, Year 1 have been learning about precious objects in Christianity, Judaism and Islam. This week, they met with Linda from the Colchester synagogue via zoom, who showed us all of the precious objects she has at home and answered the children's questions about Judaism. The children had a wonderful time, and especially enjoyed hearing all about the synagogue.





Mayans in Year 6

This week Year 6 painted the Mayan masks they made last week from clay. Mayan masks were representations of Mayan gods, and were worn in ceremonies and during battles; the importance of the mask dictating how intricate the design was.

We love the authentic colours and patterns Year 6 have used, showcasing both their knowledge of the indigenous civilisation and their artistic flair!





Harvest for Colchester Food Bank

Thank you SO much for your amazing and generous donations to our Harvest this year for Colchester Food Bank. This is an extremely difficult time for so many people, and donations like these make a huge difference.

Please remember that we hold vouchers for Colchester Food Bank in school. More people than ever before are facing financial difficulties, please just let us know if you need any additional support.

We will be having a Harvest Assembly next week once the items have been in quarantine, and look forward to sharing photos of all your generous donation. Thank you so much!

Book Reading in Foundation Stage

Foundation Stage enjoyed a book reading via Zoom this week from Author Natalie Newman. They loved hearing all about Lark the Shark and the Ocean, and made their own sea creatures afterwards.



Virtual Assembly with TLA

This week Year 6 attended a virtual assembly with TLA via Zoom. Remember that applications for secondary school MUST be in by 31st October 2020. If you have any questions let us know – we are happy to call schools on your behalf if we don't have or can't find the information.

Cold Classrooms

It's getting chillier outside, but the windows and doors in school are kept open. Please send your child in with a jumper or cardigan as well as their outdoor coat so they can stay warm in class. As it gets colder, you might want to consider vests or leggings for your child to wear under their uniform.