

**British Section**

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Welcome to Scarlett, Stanley, Joseph, Jesse who have joined Sunbeams this week.

Welcome also to Ana Kabulevu who joined the Supply LSA team.

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school term and a very happy 2023 to you all. It was lovely to see everyone on Monday and to hear about their holiday activities and celebrations. The children were excited to be back and see their friends and have had a good start to the term.

We began the week with assemblies on the theme of New Year and how this is celebrated around the world. There was time for quiet reflection for everyone to think about a goal or target for this year. Year 5-6 were straight into work mode and wrote some very thoughtful acrostic poems.

BFBS Germany are inviting children to enter the 'Design Your Year' drawing competition. There are 3 age categories. 0-3-Year-olds, 4-8-year-olds and 9+. Each Category has a winner and a runner up who will each receive a prize. Children are encouraged to use the template given by BFBS to "Design their year". (ATTACHED TO THE EMAIL)

The children can draw pictures of events they have coming up, people who mean a lot to them, or whatever else they think will be important in the year of 2023. The closing date is Friday 27th January and drawings should be sent to germany@bfbs.com.

On behalf of the whole team we would like to say thank you for the cards and gifts received at the end of last term. Please be assured that this is never taken for granted and we are grateful to you for your kindness and thoughtfulness. There is not always the opportunity to thank you individually but please be assured we thank you from the bottom of our hearts and are very appreciative of your kind words, gifts and feedback.



Oscar, Michal, Alice, Alyssia, Gokce, Kaan, Arian, Lilla,
Alena, Mario, Jekope, Manuel, Iwan, Rory

DATES TO NOTE**January**

- 25 1400 Dismissal
26 Y6 Arnhem Parent Meeting

February

- 7 Safer Internet Day
7 Class Parent Reps Mtg
10 Closing Date
Yearbook Cover Contest
20-24 SCHOOL CLOSED

March-Music In Our Schools Month

- 24-25 Junie B Jones Musical
27-31 Music Spirit Week

May

- 8-12 Year 6 Assessment Week



Rhinestone Reader Club

Have a lovely weekend.

Sunbeams



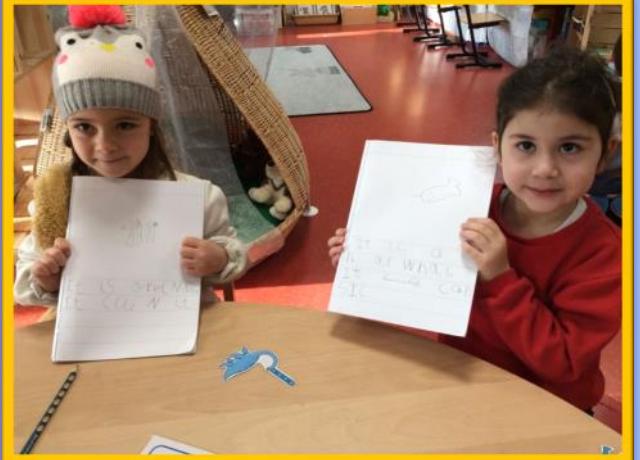
Sunbeams have had a wonderful first week back. We have spent our time welcoming four new fabulous friends into our class and reminding ourselves how to explore and share alongside one another. We have demonstrated great turn taking and been developing our patience when we need to wait for a short time. A super start for our lovely Sunbeams!



Reception

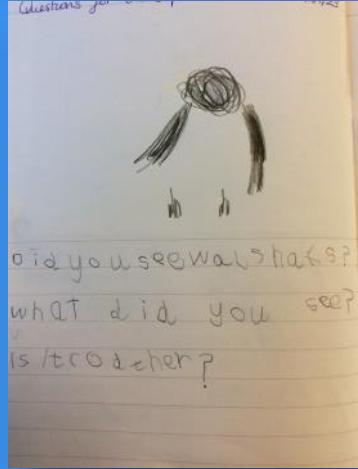
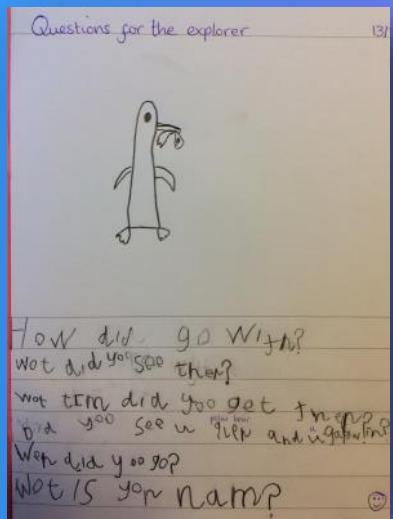
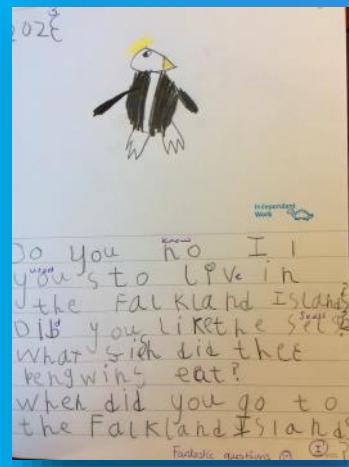
This month we are looking at places that are different from The Netherlands and we started with polar regions. We mixed our own snow, made loose part patterns, wrote about polar animals and explored all the enhancements around the class.

Other learning included putting numerals in order, counting animals on pictures and caring for worms we found on the garden path.



Year 1

Year one have had an exciting week. We began by talking to some children at one of the other MOD schools in the Falkland Islands. They told us about some of the animals that live near them. So this week we have been learning about what a question is and how to ask a question. We have even written some of our own questions to ask about the animals in the Falklands.



Year 2

It has been a busy first week back in Year 2, in which we learned lots of exciting things.

In Literacy, we are now working on the story "The Papaya That Spoke". It is about a farmer, that encounters talking things and animals, starting with a talking papaya. First, we got to taste actual papayas and used all our senses to collect interesting vocabulary to make our writing more exciting. Using "Talk for Writing", we created story maps to help us remember the story. In preparation for a very special visitor, we then thought of good questions that would help us find out more details about the questions. We then got to ask them when the farmer visited our class for an interview. Everything we have found out will surely help us going forward in our work on the story.

We have also started a new Maths topic, where we are finding out all about money. So far, we have learned to identify the pound coins and notes and how to find a total. In pairs, we had fun competing in buying as many items as possible during a "coin grab" game, where we had to first add up the total of some coins and then check what we could afford with them. We have also started to practise choosing the coins and notes we need to pay for an exact amount. Even though we are paying with euros in the shops around here, we think that we will be able to transfer our skills and have lots of opportunities to practise both, in and outside of school.

During our Forest School time, we enjoyed exploring forest in the wintertime and thinking about how nature changes during this season. We noticed that due to the warm weather, not everything was as we would expect it. We also had lots of fun playing, building dens, climbing and thinking about what food we could forage at this time of year.

We are looking forward to the coming term and lots of exciting learning and experiences.

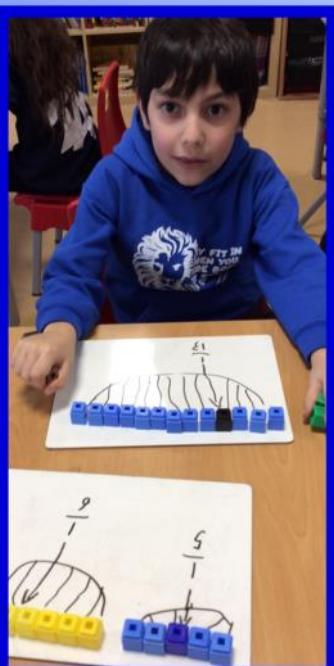
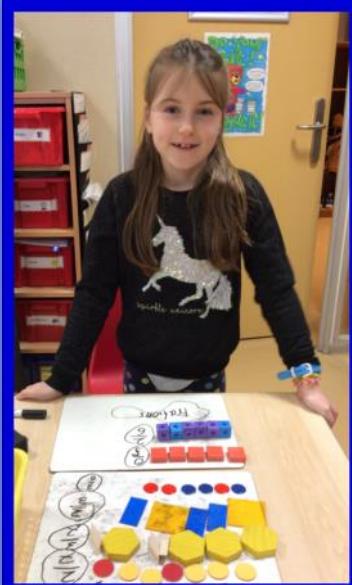
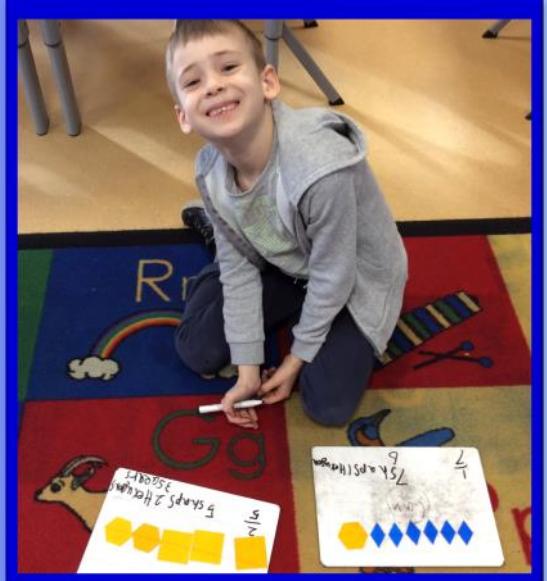


Year 3

In Year 3 we are all wondering what is in the box...

We have started work on our new history unit which is Ancient Greece, we thought of some really interesting things that could have been in Pandora's box. The children are bearing with me and finding it unbearable to have to wait to see what is in the box in our room. The word unbearable is in our text and has definitely been a talking point, the children are great at looking at the homophones that are related to its root word and that it includes a prefix and a suffix.

In maths we have started working on fractions and are using terms such as denominator, numerator and unit fractions.



Year 4-5

Year 4-5 wishes everyone a Happy New Year!

We have really enjoyed being back with our friends this week and are looking forward to lots of new learning. We will 'Reach for the Stars' this term, as we talk about dreams and goals and how we can achieve them. We will be discovering Earth and Space and be inspired by 'hidden figures' that have taken us into Space. We are already intrigued by our new class novel called 'Cosmic' and look forward to finding out about the adventures of Liam Digby!

We are aiming to be the best that we can be!



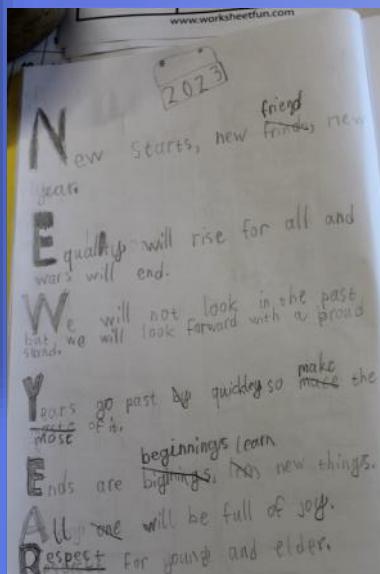
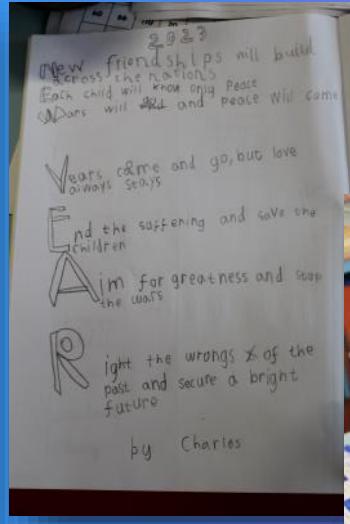
Year 5-6

Happy New Year! Wishing you all a wonderful year filled with health and happiness for you and your families.

Year 5/6 have made a wonderful start to the new term where they have returned ready to learn at full pace. We started the week with an assembly where we talked about the idea of a new year and new beginnings. We reflected upon this when we returned to class and the children put their wise thoughts and words to paper - see some of our poems. We also spent time finishing our persuasive speeches in the style of Greta Thunberg which we will present to the school next week; hoping to get our special messages across. We completed our class novel from last half term: Floodlands.

"This was an interesting and saddening story and a tale of devastation and survival in a possible future deadly world." (Finlay, Harry, Ilgar and Alfie's words).

Well done Year 5/6 - a wonderful start to the new term! I can see already that you will continue to make wonderful progress!



YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST

Due by 10 Feb 2023



Submit your design for the Yearbook Cover

email a photo of your submission to afnorthesyearbook@gmail.com
with students name, section, and grade

reminders

the yearbook includes the US, British, and Canadian sections
and the school mascot is a lion

LUNCH



Week 2 Menu 16-01 tm 20-01-2023

MONDAY

Veggie Roll, Potato & Vegetables

(veggie)



"German menu"

Sausage

(pork)



Potato

Carrots

Onion sauce

TUESDAY

Soya Roti with Curry Beans

(veggie)



"Surinamese menu"

Crispy Chicken

(chicken)



Roti (Savoury Pancake)

Curry Beans

WEDNESDAY

Pasta with Tomato Vegetable Sauce

(veggie)



"Italian menu"

Pasta & Basil

(beef)



Beef Ragout

Snack Tomato

MONDAY

THURSDAY



Vegetable Stew, Couscous & Pita

(veggie)



Tajine (Beef Stew)

(beef)



Couscous

Yoghurt Garlic Sauce

Pita

FRIDAY

Veggie Burger, Fries, Peas

(veggie)



"UK menu"

Fish Fillet

(fish)



Fries

Peas



Tartar Sauce

LISTED PRODUCTS AND DISHES CAN CONTAIN TRACES OF ALLERGENS.



Looking for suggestions for your child's lunchbox...

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

BUS PASSES

Dear Parent (s) / Guardian (s) of Elementary enrolled children,

AFNORTH provides a bus service for the children attending our school. The use of this bus service is a privilege and not a right. Most of our children use this bus service and AIS does its utmost to make the service safe, effective, and as punctual as possible. Our policies and procedures regarding this service can be found on the school website (afnorth-is.com). When registering your child at school or on receipt of the student bus pass for your child(ren) you should receive an information package about the busing system. When informing yourself about the conditions of the bus service you can read that our youngest children (Reception and Year 1) have a special bus pass which prevents these children to leave the bus at their bus stop if none of the parents/guardians are present (unless other arrangements have been made and communicated with the respective national office). In case nobody is present to pick up the child(ren), they will be brought back to school. The parents will be contacted, and you are expected to pick up your child.

In recent weeks the Directorate has received information that some parents have concerns about their (older than 6 years old) children being dropped off at a bus stop without the need of a parent/guardian to be present. According to the parents the policies and procedures do not inform parents clearly enough about this situation. We are taking this feedback seriously and would like to make the following options available:

1. Parents of ES children may request a yellow student card for their child(ren). This means that their children will not be left off the bus unless a parent/guardian is at the bus stop. The parent/guardian will have to be present 10 minutes prior to the scheduled bus arrival time. The bus will depart the bus stop at the indicated/scheduled time. Children carrying a yellow card will be brought back to school. Parents will be contacted (by their national section) to pick up the child(ren) from school.
2. **For children in Years 2-6, to obtain a yellow student card, a parental request needs to be made at the beginning of the school year or upon registering the child(ren) in their national office. This card will be valid for the current school year and cannot be exchanged for a regular student card throughout the course of that year.**
3. Without a parental request for a yellow card all children will automatically receive a regular student card. This implies that the parents have read and accept the school bus policies and procedures.
4. If parents frequently (three or more times) fail to meet their child(ren), carrying a yellow student card, at the bus stop, AIS will inform the parents that the use of the bus service will no longer be possible.
5. Parents always have the option to not use the provided bus service and provide their own transportation.

Parents who would like to obtain a yellow student card for their child(ren) can contact the bus coordinator's office: buscoordinator@afnorth-is.com

Child & Youth Services
PRESENTS
**FAMILY
FUN NIGHTS**

**FREE
EVENT**

6:30–8 PM • CYS BLDG H-602

December 2 | January 27 | May 19

SAC PROGRAM ONLY

Open to U.S. & NATO ID cardholders

Must be registered with CYS

For more information call Parent Central Services

DSN 597-4266/4267 or CIV +31 (0)45-534-0266/0267



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AFNORTH Calendar 2022-2023

Autumn Term

August 15 School Opens

September 7 STAFF DAY-NO SCHOOL for Children

September 14 1400 Dismissal

October 17 to October 21 SCHOOL CLOSED

October 24 School Opens

October 26 1400 Dismissal

November 2-4 1230 Dismissals (Parent Conferences)

November 23 STAFF DAY NO SCHOOL for Children

December 23-January 9 SCHOOL CLOSED

Spring Term

January 9 School Opens

January 25 1400 Dismissal

February 20-February 24 SCHOOL CLOSED

February 27 School Opens

March 15 1400 Dismissal

April 3-14 SCHOOL CLOSED

Summer Term

April 17 School Opens

April 27 SCHOOL CLOSED

May 17 1400 Dismissal

May 18 STAFF DAY NO SCHOOL for Children

May 29 SCHOOL CLOSED

June 16 LAST DAY 1230 Dismissal

REMINDERS



NO NUTS

We have a number of children with a nut allergy and we therefore ask for no nuts or products containing nuts to be brought into the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

LABEL LABEL LABEL

Please assist us in preventing items being lost or misplaced by labelling your child's belongings e.g. items of clothing, footwear, bags, packed lunch boxes/containers. Please also impress on your child that they should take responsibility for their own items.



PE SHOES (Y2-Y6)

Please ensure your child has a separate pair of shoes for PE/Gym lessons with Coach Guest. Shoes should have non-marking soles.



WATER BOTTLES

Children are encouraged to bring a filled water bottle to school every day and to keep hydrated during lessons. The children have access to chilled water fountains to top up their bottles. Children should take their bottle home each night to be washed. Cans and bottles of carbonated drinks, including energy drinks, are not permitted in school.

PERSONAL ITEMS

At this time children should NOT be bringing anything to school other than essential items or requested by the teacher to support their learning. Please ensure unnecessary items do not slip into bags e.g. toys, pokemon cards.

END OF THE DAY CHANGES

If you are making changes to your child's routine e.g. Parent Pick Up rather than the bus we request that these changes are sent via email to:

TO: british.office@afnorth-is.com

CC: class teacher

CC: firstname.lastname@afnorth-is.com (teacher)