



AFNORTH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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LABEL LABEL LABEL Please remember to write your child's name on personal items but especially clothing. This helps us to quickly reunite the children with lost items.



Dear Parents,

Our week started with Reception sharing all about their trip to the forest last week to rescue Stick Man. I was so impressed with them that I asked for volunteers to come to the KS2 assembly. Joseph and Jaxon did a great job of reading Stick Man's message and recounting the rescue mission...right down to using the word persevered which brought a gasp from the audience!

Mrs Taylor, DCS Teaching and Learning Advisor visited AFNORTH this week and spent time working with Year 3 as they became expert historians and began researching artefacts from Ancient Greece. They are very proud of their work and enjoyed sharing some of their new facts with me on Friday.

Major Yetkin from our SGC came to speak to the staff on Wednesday about Children's Day in April and we established an international team to plan a Culture Day event at this time. We will be reaching out to our parent community and delegations to help with music, dance, costumes etc to make this day extra special.

Thank you Reception for inviting us to your Scottish Burn's Day Ceilidh...you really are fantastic dancers!

Have a lovely weekend. We look forward to hearing all about the Rainbows and Brownies Sleepover.

Parent Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Reception -Year6

School Day 0900-1530

Drop off from 0845.

Please note there is no supervision prior to this time.

Pick Up at Main Gate

Year 1 1525 Year 2-6 1530



Bucket Fillers



Alberto, Jaxon, Norah, Grace, Adele, Gabin, Samuel, Matthew, Klara, Oscar, Amelia, Teo, Silvia, Harry, Richard, Mario

DATES TO NOTE

February

- 7 Safer Internet Day
- 1700 Parent Session
- 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



Sunbeams

Session 0900-1200

Drop off from 0855

Pick up at 1200

Location for Drop Off and Pick Up is at the Flagpoles.

During periods of inclement weather please wait inside the main entrance (in the well area under the stairs or when this area is in use please wait outside the British Office). Staff will collect/deliver the children to you. There is no need to sign in

EDC Pick Up 1500 or 1525-Children will be brought to the gate.

Times and locations are according to supervision and to avoid congestion outside of Sunbeams. Thank you for your co-operation

Safer Internet Day

Parent Session

7th February 17:00



Dear Parents,

We would like to offer a workshop presentation which aims to give you information and tips for keeping your children safe when using the internet. The workshop will give you an insight into different types of sites children use, the types of activities they carry out, how this information is shared and the potential issues this can create if their on-line use is not carefully managed. It will include issues such as: online friends, gaming, cyber-bullying, online grooming, and chat rooms.

This is an area of children's life at home and school which is constantly changing and it is important that we are aware of how technology is developing, how it can impacts our children and how we can keep them safe.

We will be holding this workshop presentation in school and also via a Google link to be shared next week.

We look forward to seeing you.

Miss Trout and Mr Brown



Sunbeams



Sunbeams have spent much of the week playing in a range of roles with the most interesting being engineers and chefs.

Our mini engineers took over the cubby areas this week, building, constructing and designing tracks for our cars to whizz down. They worked as individuals initially to construct a track for their own car with the sole aim of getting it from one place to another. As they observed others work they began to collaborate to extend their tracks to make them longer, faster, higher and with twists, turns and drops. They added tape to smooth the transition from ramp to ramp and to steady wobbly parts.

The ability to play, observe and learn from one another was fascinating in this little group of Sunbeams.



Whilst all this was going on in class, a troop of organisers were busy at work creating dinners, luncheons and cakes for others to eat.

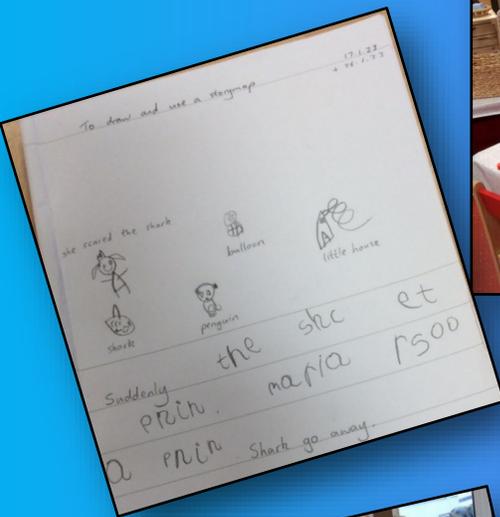
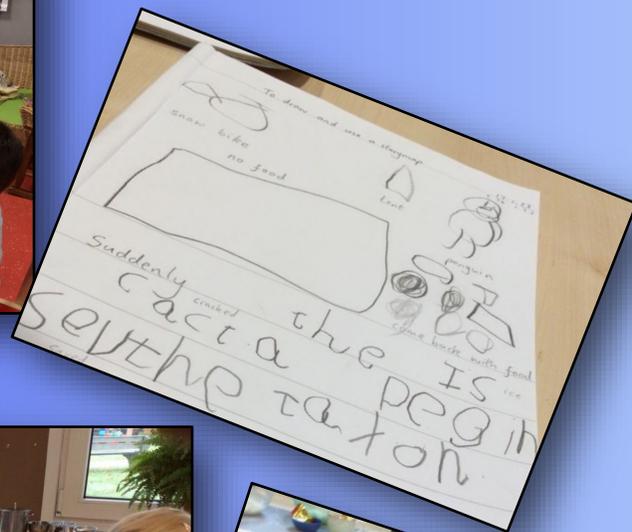
The budding chefs have loved cutting, shaping and organising the playdough - especially taking inspiration from snack and trying to make similar items. They have been dedicated and determined to ensure the 'food' looks as it should!

The imagination and creativity these children have demonstrated was a pleasure and a key indicator in their developing language



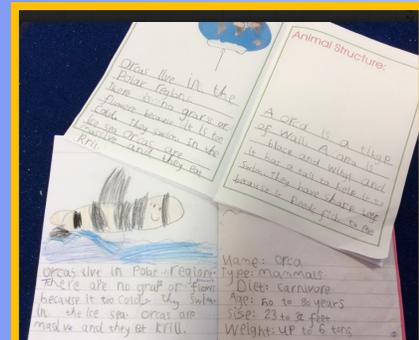
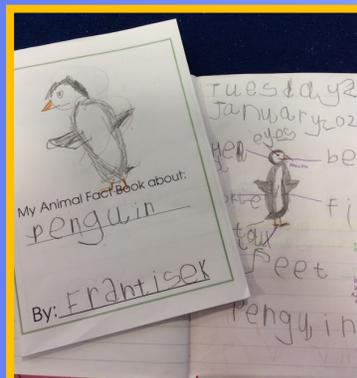
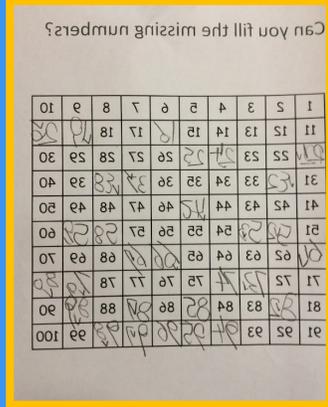
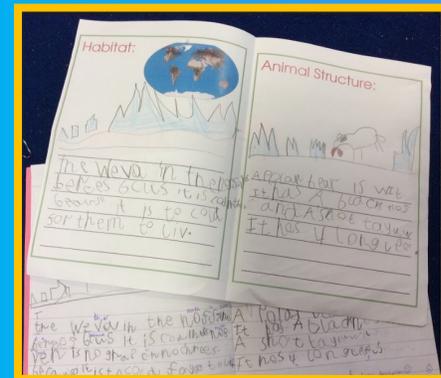
Reception

This week, Reception Class finished off our polar stories. We hope you enjoy reading some of them. Our interests have included making and sharing pizza, learning about Chinese New Year, playing alphabet games and making our own books.



Year 1

This week Year 1 has celebrated our 100th day of school. We completed lots of activities about the number 100 including finding missing numbers and counting to 100 in groups of 10. In literacy we have been working on creating fact books about polar animals. We are now writing them up in a fancy real book to share. We have also been learning about animal diets and used a recipe to make pretend animal poo to help us know the difference between carnivore, herbivore and omnivore. Well done year 1!



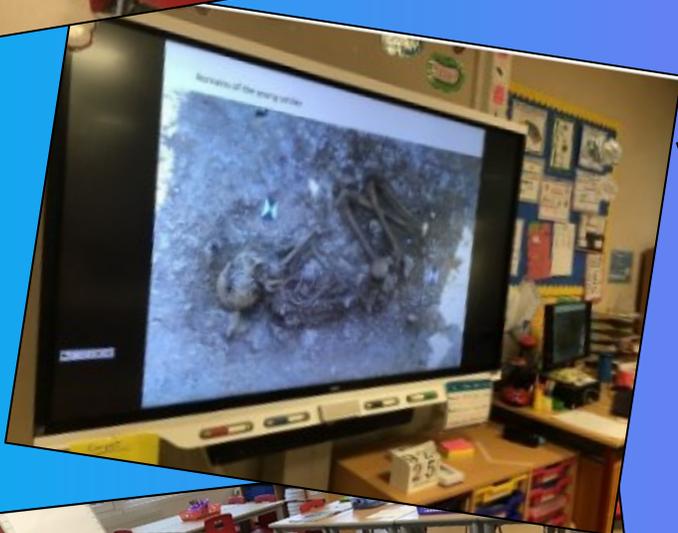
Year 2

This week we have celebrated 100 days of school. We teamed up with the Canadian Grade 1 class and celebrated this milestone with many activities all based around the number 100!. We had a great time collaborating and enjoyed our day 100%.



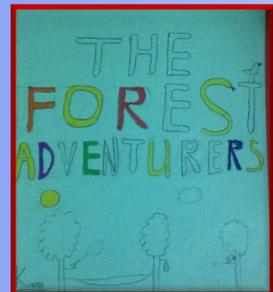
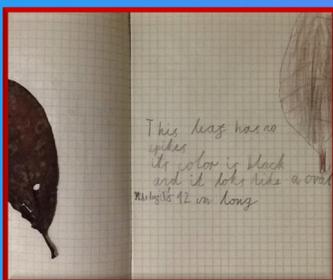
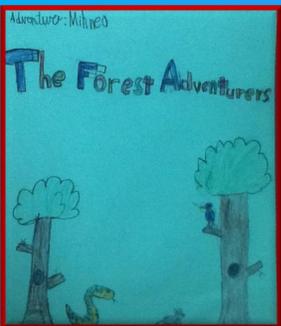
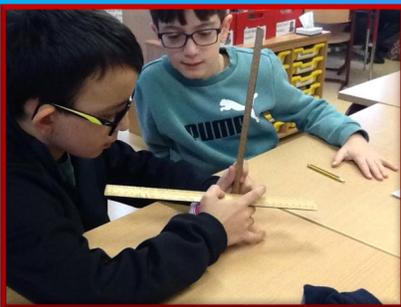
Year 3

This week Year 3 has been working on a big discovery of the remains of an Ancient Greek soldier. The children entered the imaginary world to discover who they thought the soldier was, what possessions he had and think about how he came to be there. They have used their knowledge of Ancient Greece, research and investigative skills. They have started 'discovering artefacts' collecting notes and making 'plausible' assumptions about what could have happened.



Year 4-5

In Forest School, we are becoming nature scientists, developing an appreciation and understanding of the world around us. During our sessions, we are exploring different aspects of nature very closely, using our observational skills and recording findings in our nature scrapbooks. We thought of some interesting ideas for a class name and voted for our favourite - 'The Forest Adventurers'! In class, we have continued our learning about the Solar System as space scientists. We took part in practical activities to help us understand the relative sizes of the planets to each other. We also acted out the rotation of the Earth to explain day and night. We are building up a great bank of scientific vocabulary and look forward to finding out more!



Year 5-6

Year 5/6 recently shared their animation films with a special message about caring for our environment. The children demonstrated excellent skills of collaboration, working hard to plan and create to a final product. Skills of planning, filming and editing were evident with some excellent 'special effects'.

In Science we are studying Earth and Space. This week we have explored the planets of our Solar System and how they move, their order from the sun and their relative distance from one another. We are lucky to have Mrs Roberts leading this with her Secondary Science experience. The children are being involved in some very high order thinking and discussions which in turn are generating even more questions to be answered.

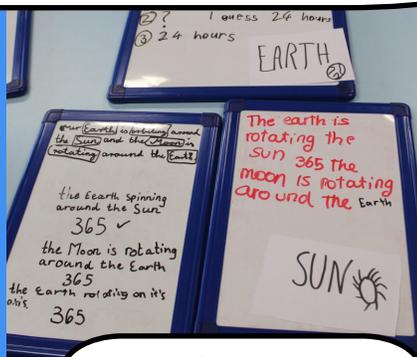


We created simulations of the movement of the Earth and moon as they rotate around the Sun.

We went outside to measure a scaled distance of the planets from the Sun. It was interesting to see and think about how far they are away from each other. We counted out steps from each planet on the school field.



As the Earth, I noticed that you had to keep rotating at a constant speed – this impacts our gravitational pull.



I'm representing Venus, I noticed that the three closest planets to the Sun are relatively close to each other.

I noticed that the planets furthest in the solar system are a very long way from the sun.



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 5 30-01 to 03-02-2023

MONDAY

Veggie Sausage, Mashed Potato, Red Cabbage	1, 2, 3, 4
"Dutch Menu"	
Smoked Sausage	1, 3, 5
Mashed Potato	1
Red Cabbage	
Gravy	1

TUESDAY

Sweet & Sour Omelet, Fried Rice	1, 2, 9
"China Menu"	
Chicken in Sweet & Sour Sauce	3, 6, 9
China Vegetables	
Fried Rice	3

WEDNESDAY

Veggie Balls, Potato Gratin, Mixed Vegetables	1, 2, 3, 4
Stuffed Turkey Roulade	2, 3, 6
Potato Gratin	1, 2, 3
Mixed Vegetables	
Cranberry Sauce	3

THURSDAY

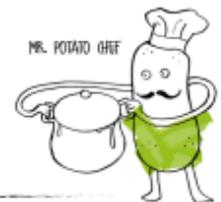
Soy Bites with Macaroni	3, 4
"Italian Menu"	
Macaroni	3
Carbonara Sauce	1, 2, 3, 5, 9
Snack Tomato	
Rocket Salad	

FRIDAY

Veggie Pie, Chips, Peas	1,2,3,4,8,9
"English Menu"	
Fish & Chips	1, 2, 3, 7
Peas with Mint & Pepper	9
Tartar Sauce	2

LISTED PRODUCTS AND DISHES CAN CONTAIN TRACES OF ALLERGENS.

- 1 = milk
- 2 = egg
- 3 = gluten
- 4 = soy
- 5 = pork
- 6 = chicken
- 7 = fish
- 8 = sesame
- 9 = peas



All meals are nut free



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

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

Bucket Fillers



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

The Directorate

Please contact the British Office
if you have any questions

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. permitted. 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)