



AFNORTH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

British Section

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24th March 2023

Dear Parents,

We have all really enjoyed our sneak peak at the musical this afternoon. The children, staff and volunteers have worked really hard in bringing this together. Please do come along and see our talented youngsters.

Tickets are purchased at the door.

Click on the following link to view lost and found items. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIUAgb4hI3A>

If you are coming along to the musical, please check the tables under the central staircase where hopefully you will find your child's lost belongings.

All lost and found will be donated to charity on March 31st.



DATES TO NOTE

March

24-25 Junie B Jones Musical

27-31 Music Spirit Week

Mozart Monday

Dress like a Classical Musician, Performer, or Opera Singer

Blues Day Tuesday

Wear Blue

Wednesday - Rock Star

Dress Like a Rock Star!!

Thursday - HipHop Day

(Bright Colors, Rap, Backwards hat)

Friday - Favorite Musical Group, Song, Artist

28 Year 4-6 Waxworks

31 Sunbeams to Year 2 Easter Singalong

April

3-15 SCHOOL CLOSED

24 RAF STEM Team working with Year 5

25 Culture Day

May

8 BRITISH SECTION CLOSED
King Charles III Coronation

8-12 Year 6 Assessment Week

Scholastic Book Club flyers will go home next week but can also be accessed at:

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/afcent-international/digital-book-club>



This week we were thrilled to welcome Kim Jackaman, Head Teacher SHAPE and Rebecca Robinson, Head Teacher Naples. This was the start of a collaborative partnership between

our three schools. Both Kim and Rebecca were very impressed with the ethos permeating throughout our classrooms and with the children who spoke with such confidence and pride in their learning. There were some surprised children along the way: Henry, Lexi and John were all thrilled to see their old Head Teachers :)

We would like to wish all our Muslim families well for the important time of Ramadan. Thank you to our young experts who shared the importance of this special time of year with us at Assembly.

Have a lovely weekend



Bucket Fillers



Alyssia, Joseph, Gokce, Demir, Callum, Isaac, Charlotte, Arian, John, Alexander, Balkan, Oguz, Archie, Harry, Elvira, Ilgar



Decorate an Egg

2023



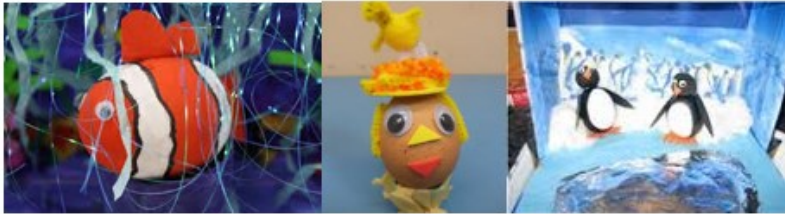
As part of our end of term celebrations we invite the children to demonstrate their imagination and creativity by taking part in a "Decorate an Egg" activity.

The children can choose which type of egg they decorate; it can be hard-boiled, blown or polystyrene. The egg can be decorated however you like. You might want to turn an egg into an animal, a character or just put a pattern on it.

Each child who participates will be entered into a lucky draw

The only rule is that names must be attached to the egg creation to enter the draw. So, get thinking and bring your creation to school on Thursday 30th March.

We are looking forward to seeing all the "eggciting" creations!



Friday 31st March,
Sunbeams, Reception, Year 1 and 2 will join with the US and CDN classes for an Easter Singalong where we hope the Easter Bunny will make an appearance!

We encourage all the children to wear their special Easter Bonnet which they can create at home.

Sunbeams/Reception parents are invited to a "Stay and Make" session during that week where the children can create their

Brilliant Badminton!



Every Wednesday I go to a badminton club in Sittard with Julia and her big brother. It is called BC Wik and it is next to the Fortuna Stadium.

We do warm ups, games and practice shots.

Everyone is friendly and even though it is in Dutch they explain what we are doing in English.

Last Sunday on Mother's Day I went to a competition in Hoensbroek hosted by BC Victoria. There was a doubles and singles competition and I was in both.

My doubles partner was Lika; she has been my friend since I started at the club. My first match was actually against Lika in the singles.

One of the doubles games we were against girls in the 13-15 section. (Freya Year 5)

AFNORTH MOVIE NIGHT

FEATURING:

"SING 2"

Grade 3-5 Year 4-6

Thursday March 30th

AFNORTH Cafeteria

Doors Open at 5:45pm Movie at 6:00pm

You must sign up using the following link by March 27th

<https://forms.gle/no3o4sNRUJRLrsBn7>

Snacks can be purchased Cost €3

You may wear your pjs, bring a pillow, a blanket and a
stuffy.

Thank you Student Council

Can you help?

CULTURE DAY



Hello AFNORTH families!

On April 25th, we will be celebrating cultures in our school. All elementary classes have been assigned a country to learn about and present to other classes. Here is the list of the countries that will be represented.

Azerbaijan	Fiji	Netherlands	South Korea
Belgium	Germany	Norway	Spain
Brazil	Haiti	Philippines	Sweden
Canada	Hungary	Puerto Rico	Thailand
Colombia	Italy	Poland	Turkey
Czech	Lithuania	Portugal	UK
Denmark	Latvia	Romania	Ukraine
Estonia	Mexico	Russia	USA
France	Morocco	Slovakia	

We are looking for parent input to share traditional costumes, music, customs, artifacts, foods, and talent from their home country (ie. dancing, etc).

If you wish to participate by being present at the country table, demonstrating a skill or activity, lending us materials, or if you have an idea to represent your nation, please send me an email stating which country you are from and what you would like to contribute.

While the classes will do their part to research the countries, to be fully successful we need community involvement from the various nation delegations.

We would be so appreciative if you are willing to help us celebrate this special day and the many cultures and countries we have represented at AFNorth International School.

Thank you,
Lise Gauvreau

Lise.gauvreau@afnorth-is.com

Thank you to our Governor, Onur Yetkin, for once again giving our children this wonderful opportunity to demonstrate their creativity.

Sponsored by the Turkish Delegation

WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY DRAWING CONTEST & CELEBRATIONS

THEME: FRIENDS WITHOUT BORDERS

AFNORTH International School is organizing a Drawing Contest as part of the World Children's Day celebrations. All students of AFNORTH & JFCBS Community in the Elementary Grade are encouraged to take part in this event.

RULES FOR PARTICIPATION

Open to all Elementary students & Children of JFCBS members

Two Categories (Sunbeams-Year 3/Pre-K - Grade 2) and Year 4-6/Grade 3-5)

A3 Size Paper should be used.

One person with one drawing only

Drawings should be submitted to the British Office no later than **19 April 2023**

Name, Nationality, Section and Grade of the participant to be written on the back of the drawing. (The children of JFCBS members from other schools, please send your info & screenshot of the picture to british.office@afnorth-is.com)

Exhibition at AFNORTH open to ALL JFCBS COMMUNITY on **April the 24th (16:30-17:30)**

Winners announced at AFNORTH Culture Day Assembly on **April the 25th (09:15)**

FREE ROUND
THE WORLD
TOUR AT
AFNORTH

PRIZES IN BOTH CATEGORIES

1st: NINTENDO Switch Lite

2nd: JBL Wireless Bluetooth Speaker

3rd: JBL Wireless Bluetooth Headphone

The Children's Day has been celebrated by Türkiye since 1927 and was declared as "International Year of the Child" by United Nations in 1979.



CLOSING DATE
19 APRIL 2023

Wed April 19 PURPLE UP DAY!



Mon April 24

Tues April 25

Wed April 26

We sleep soundly because of those protecting our world!



Wear Pajamas

Military connected students come from all over the world!



Dress in a way that represents your or your class's designated culture in recognition of Culture Day

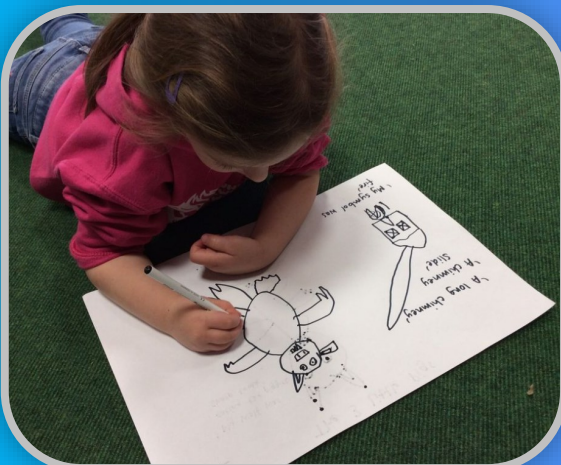
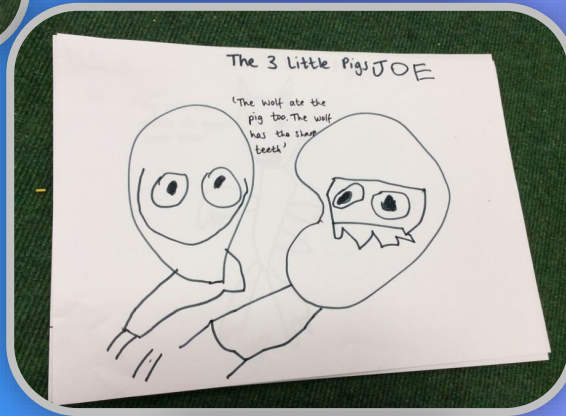
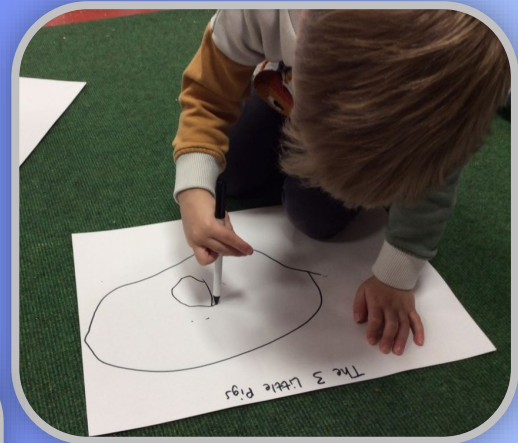
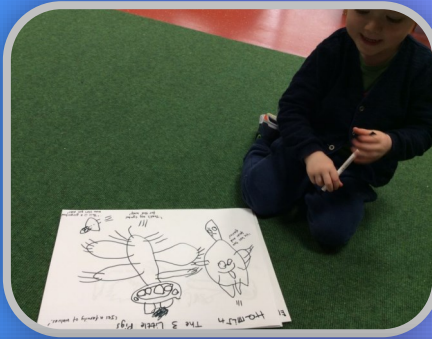
Being a military connected kid IS my super power!



Dress like a Superhero

Sunbeams

This term we have been working on a project called 'Drawing Club' with different stories each week. This week we read the 'Three Little Pigs' and began by drawing images of the Big Bad Wolf, thinking carefully about his features and their shapes. We moved on to design brick houses and then ended the week creating wolves dressed in pigs clothing - something we found hilarious! The project has really helped the children with their use of ambitious vocabulary and mark making for a purpose, they are flying!



Reception

Reception Class children have been learning about keeping safe and healthy - food choices, hygiene, stranger danger, sleep, exercise, screen time and road safety. On Wednesday they put their road safety skills into practice. They negotiated the car park and school gate, crossed the busy road and kept to the pavements, being alert at all times. They reached the park safely where they could use their muscles and exercise in the fresh air.



Year 1

Yr 1 has had a busy week. On Tuesday we went to Brunsummerheider, where we had lots of fun exploring the different areas, whilst we were there we heard lots of different birds, and saw many plants and trees. In forest school, we continued to learn about the points of a compass and we explored real compasses and found it fascinating that the red needle always pointed in the same direction, even though we moved.

To wrap up this week, we evaluated our design technology vehicles and in maths we have started to learn about halves and quarters



Year 2

This week Year 2 have had a comical week learning, practising and performing Roald Dahl Revolting Rhymes Little Red Riding Hood. We analysed the text looking at the vocabulary used by different characters and how they might say the words. We performed some of the text to Year 1 who had lots of giggles with the twist at the end of the rhyme! We also started a new Maths unit Mass, Capacity and Temperature. We had great fun finding the capacity of different containers and making a bit of a mess, getting very wet!



What a joy for a teacher when a child arrives at school in the morning excited to share something...and it is a related to their learning from the previous day.
Thank you Mete and Stepan.

Year 3

This week, we wrote some very exciting "Jungle Logs" about exploring a mysterious jungle after walking through a portal. Not only did we use lots of interesting vocabulary and time conjunctions, we also went back to uplevel our work to make it even better. Like proper authors, about to publish their work, we sat down with a partner editor to go over and peer assess our writing. Highlighting particularly interesting parts and bits we could improve in different colours, helped us to identify what we had done really well already, as well as our next steps. The feedback from our partner meant that we had twice the eyes and ideas and ended up with fantastic results that we can be very proud of!

We also spent some of this week working on our Science topic. As we are learning about rocks and fossils, we started reading about Mary Anning, an English palaeontologist, born in 1799, who made many important discoveries about dinosaurs. At a time when not very much was known about them at all, she kept searching for and finding bones and even whole skeletons of often unknown dinosaurs and made important conclusions from them. Unfortunately, she was not recognised for her achievements during her life, as women were not allowed to be scientists at the time and often, men took credit for her ideas. Today, we know how big her discoveries really were. We have started mind-mapping some important facts about her and will continue this work in the coming week. Please ask us about her when you see us! :)

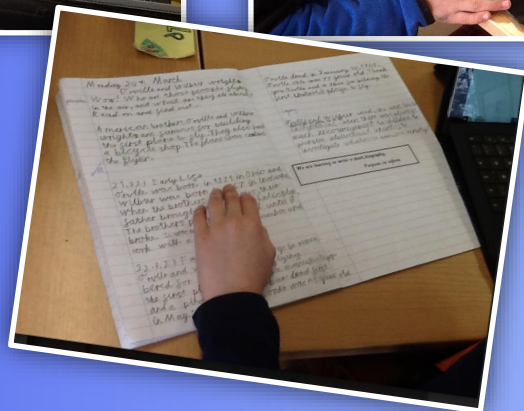
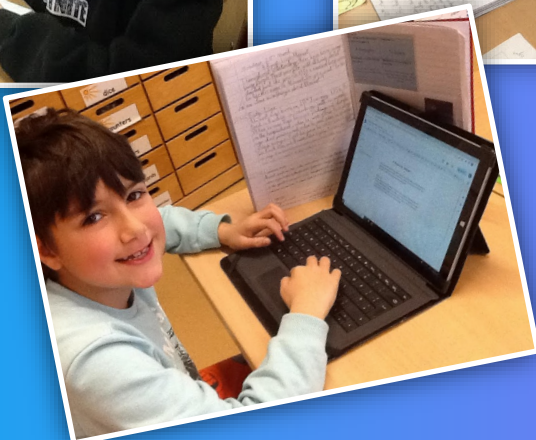
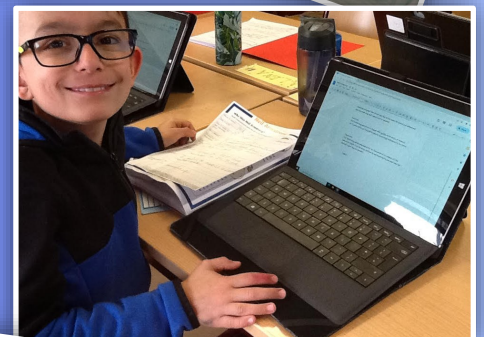
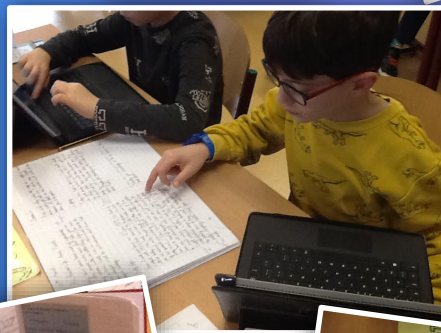
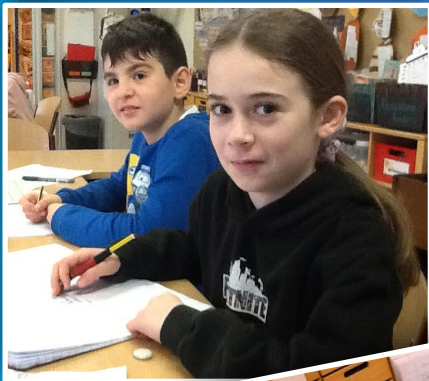
Also in connection with our Science topic, we learned how to create the code to make a short film about an erupting volcano. First, we created the pictures of the different stages of the eruption: The volcano before, then with smoke and the lava erupting, followed by the volcano after, and finally, the cooled lava. We then had to name each picture to not lose track. Some of us have even started to build the code for the animation, telling the computer when to show which picture and how long for. In the end, we will have short, yet surely very impressive animations.



Year 4-5

Brilliant Biographies!

Year 4/5 have been very enthusiastic writers and publishers this week! After reading a biography text about an inspirational person, the children were keen to choose their own person to research. We identified the layout and features of the text and used the model biography to innovate our own. We have found out about lots of interesting people - from the past and present day - and have sketched wonderful portraits to enhance our published work. Do you recognise any of them? The children are very excited to be presenting to their parents at next week's Waxworks - we look forward to seeing you there!



Year 5-6

As part of our learning this half term, we have explored issues surrounding the UN goal of Gender Equality. March is International Women's Month and the UK's Mother's Day, so to conclude this unit of work we invited some very inspiring international women to speak with us in class. They shared in their life journeys so far - following their heart and passions and making choices along the way. Thanks must go to Captain Verity Duncan for helping to arrange this event. We welcomed Cpl Duchy Gurung, Flight Sergeant Nikki Gander, Dr Shona Johnston, Professor Rosamaria Mancini and Miss MacLeod, Head Teacher, British Section, Afnorth (B. Ed). The wise words and wonderful life advice will be something that will stay with us throughout life, we are sure.

"Don't be afraid to follow your dreams" - Elvira

"Don't let anyone tell YOU what YOU should do - especially if they are trying to hold you back and not progress in life" - Alfie

"Be yourself" - Ada

"Keep at it" - Freya



Year 5/6 enjoyed an active games session with their Canadian friends. In this session we were practising target control and building stamina. We also had the first of our bike safety training in preparation for the Year 6 trip to Arnhem - and any cycling we might be doing with our families out of school.



Miss Trout, Mrs Roberts, Mr Castillo and Mr Brown actively engaged in First Aid Outdoors Training this week.





Linked to the book "Have You Filled a Bucket Today?" by Carol McCloud our Bucket Filler Award recognises positive behaviours e.g. kindness, respect, responsibility, resilience as well as hard work and achievement.

Everyone carries an invisible bucket that holds our good thoughts and feelings. When our buckets are full, we feel happy and when our buckets are empty, we feel sad.

Our actions and words can either fill a bucket or dip into it. We fill buckets when we do and say things that are kind, considerate, caring, and respectful. But if we are inconsiderate or disrespectful, we dip into buckets and remove those good feelings.

[Click here for the story.](#)



LUNCH



Week 13 27-03 tm 31-03-2023

MONDAY

Soy Roti with Curry Beans	3, 4
"Surinamese Menu"	
Crispy Chicken	3, 4, 6
Roti (Savoury Pancake)	3
Curry Beans	3

TUESDAY

Veggie Roll, Potato Salad	2, 3, 4
"German Menu"	
Sausage Roll	2, 3, 10
Potato Salad	3
Carrots	

WEDNESDAY

Pasta, Tomato Vegetable Sauce, Snack Tomato, Rocket Salad	3, 4
"Italian Menu"	
Pasta Pollo	3, 6
Snack Tomato	
Rocket Salad	



THURSDAY

Vegetable Stew, Couscous, Pita Bread	1, 3, 4
"Moroccan Menu"	
Moroccan Meat Balls	2, 3, 4, 10
Couscous	3
Yoghurt Garlic Sauce	1, 2, 3
Pita Bread	1, 3

FRIDAY

Veggie Burger, Fries, Peas	1,2,3, 4, 8, 9
"UK Menu"	
Fish Filet or Hot Dog Sausage	2, 3, 5, 7
Fries	
Peas	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
- 10 = beef



All meals are nut free



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

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

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

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

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 related to supervision and to avoid congestion outside of Sunbeams.

Thank you for your co-operation

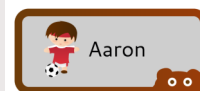


NO NUTS

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.



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.

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.



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)

These changes should be made before 1000

PERSONAL ITEMS

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.