

Dare to be Remarkable

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Head of Primary News

I'm sure you will see from reading this newsletter that it is such a busy time for learning across the academies at the moment! So many wonderful things are happening within all of the classes including a visit from our local PCSOs at KAB!

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who attended the phonics talks this week. If you didn't get the chance to come along, the slides for the presentation can be found on our website. We will be sending home some phonic paper resources to help you to support your child with any home learning they may receive.

Behind the scenes, as well as offering wonderful learning opportunities in class, the class teachers are busy writing Autumn Term reports and planning for parents' Evening. Please look out for a letter about Parents' Evening next week.

Have a wonderful weekend,

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Jacqueline Tate Head of Primary

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KAB

Ruby

Ruby Class have continued to settle into their new surroundings and are confidently exploring the different resources and activities in our indoor and outdoor environment. This week we have been developing our imagination as we read 'The Paper Dolls'. We made our very own paper dolls and made excellent choices about what materials we wanted to use. The children thought of names for their dolls and many of them went on imaginative adventures of their own. The class loved the story and picked up on the repeated phrases very quickly.

We have been developing our turn taking skills as we built a marble run and took it in turns to roll the balls down the tubes. It was great fun and everybody waited so patiently, well done!







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Emerald

Emerald Class have been continuing to work their socks off at school- they really are remarkable! We have been busy learning our Set 1 Read Write Inc sounds and the children are getting so good at recognising the sounds, writing them and even reading them in words!

Last week our learning revolved around our families. The children did a great job sharing photos of their families with each other and we've stuck them all on our door to celebrate our families and the love we feel for them.

It was Recycling Week last week and after learning more about recycling in a class assembly, we decided to turn part of our classroom into a recycling centre/creation station where we can recycle materials by turning them into masterpieces! The children have been very busy creating in this area already.

This week, our text is 'The Colour Monster' (a wonderful book about a monster who turns different colours to show his different emotions) and we've been exploring and talking about our feelings through this book. We've had really important conversations about what can trigger these emotions in us and the children have really been enjoying telling me when they are feeling 'discombobulated!' They are now self-registering themselves in the morning by finding their name and placing it on the colour emotion they are feeling.

In maths, the children have been learning the important skills of matching and sorting and They did a fabulous job helping me to sort my socks out into matching pairs and really enjoyed thinking of different ways to sort buttons!

Word of the week: Last week: Remarkable This Week: Discombobulated



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Opal

What a wonderful couple of weeks Opal class have had! Last week in Science, the children really enjoyed learning about our skeletons and the bones in our bodies, making our very own moving skeletons too. This week, we started to investigate our senses and went for a walk to discover what we could hear around the school. The children worked so well together and I saw some fantastic teamwork!

I have been particularly impressed with the children's resilience, determination and creativity with their writing over the last couple of weeks. This week we have been reading 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers and using this as inspiration for our writing such as making a lost poster for the penguin and writing a list of things that the characters may have taken with them. In Maths, the children have been ordering and comparing numbers to ten. We have also been having races to practise using ordinal numbers. In Art, we have been practising our painting skills by painting portraits. An activity that has been both challenging and fun!

I have been very proud of the children who have stood up in front of the class for their 'show and tell' task. All the children have been so confident and have explained what they decided to bring in so well. I can't wait for the next 2 weeks of 'show and tells'! It has turned into an activity that the whole class can't wait for each day!

Word of the week: disorientated







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Topaz

The children in Topaz Class have had such an exciting week, alongside their usual P.E. lesson with a yoga teacher on Tuesday (please see the photos below) they also had a multi skills lesson on Monday which they engaged with very well and the sports teacher commented on both the children's enthusiasm and their behaviour. We know how wonderful Topaz Class are, but it's lovely when outside visitors notice and comment on it too!

In class, the children are learning about emperor penguins using a beautiful picture book called The Emperor's Egg and will be writing their own information texts about emperor penguins. The children have been fascinated by the different facts. In Maths, the children are extending their knowledge of number bonds and learning their number facts to 20. **Word of the week:** suffix





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