

Mears Ashby School News

Tuesday 31st January 2023



Our value this term is: Trust

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, it has been wonderful to welcome Miss Jeyes to Mears Ashby CE Primary school. I hope that Miss Jeyes has enjoyed her first term working with us and that she now feels apart of the Mears Ashby team.

January has come and gone and just like that we are entering the second month of 2023. Reflecting on this term, although it has been short, there have been so many wonderful achievements. Every achievement is a continued reminder of how we are living out our school vision (John 10:10) and values.

Handwriting and presentation has been one of the many achievements to celebrate. It has been a whole school focus this term. Discrete and consistent handwriting lessons are being taught across all year groups and in just four weeks all the Teaching staff can see noticeable changes already. Each Friday, as I sit in celebration assembly, I am filled with pride to see just how well children have taken on this new challenge and are already making good progress.

Warm wishes to you all,

Miss Green and Mrs Stapleton

Heads of schools

Ladybirds -

Ladybirds learning has led them all the way to Antarctica. We have been learning about penguins! We have loved exploring the differences between Antarctica and England as well as trying some bird watching on the field to compare different birds. In expressive arts and design we have made penguins using a variety of materials. In Understanding of the world, we have studied the winter weather and compared a cold continent to where we live. Next term, we will travel to a hotter continent to explore the weather and animals that live there. Can you guess which continent?

Hedgehogs -

Hedgehogs have been learning how to write instructions this term. We have enjoyed spotting instructions in various texts as well as writing our own! We have been continuing to learn about animals and seasons in Science. We have also been learning about our school in Geography - focusing on maps, aerial photographs and human and physical features.

Otters -

Otters have enjoyed their learning this term. Some of our highlights so far have included 'Music for Wellbeing' sessions provided by Mr Leigh from NMPAT and a visit from Mrs Katwa to help us learn more about Hinduism In Britain.

Dolphins -

Dolphins have been enjoying learning about space this term. We were immersed into our learning with a planetarium experience at school and have been applying this understanding to our topic where we have discovered how the Earth orbits and rotates and how/why we see the moon. We have also been writing recounts in English and learning all about North and South America in Geography.

Attendance for this term (September 2022—January 2023)

Group	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attend
Ladybirds	1.7	0.0	95.9
Hedgehogs	5.9	0.7	93.3
Otters	3.4	0.5	94.9
Dolphins	4.6	0.8	87.8
Totals	4.4	0.6	90.4

January Birthdays -

Harry O, Buddy, Henry B & Annie

