

# d'Auvergne Weekly Update 28.6.24

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Head Teacher's Comments

### Sunday Funday

It's our Summer Fair on Sunday, 11.00am – 3.00pm.

The weather looks perfect for it – warm enough for me to cope with all the wet sponges (3 throws for £1, hint, hint.)

**Please do bring in cakes / quality bric-a-brac / bottles later today or on the morning of the fair.**

We look forward to seeing you there!

### Macbeth

Very many congratulations to all those involved in Thursday night's d'Auvergne performance of Macbeth. It was a fabulous event, which provided very many children with rich experiences and challenges that they relished! The strength of unity within the cast and crew was genuinely palpable – galvanised by the leadership of the adults involved (particularly Rachel, PJ and Mrs Huelin).

Thank you all – Bravo!

### Parent Drop-Ins

We have welcomed Reception parents to school today – a great turn-out, thank you.

Next week, you are welcome to work alongside your children in class at the following times:

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| Year 1  | Tuesday 8.45am   |
| Year 5  | Tuesday 11.00am  |
| Nursery | Wednesday 8.30am |
| Year 3  | Thursday 8.30am  |
| Year 2  | Friday 8.50am    |
| Year 4  | Friday 9.00am    |

As usual, pastries and coffees will be available after the time in class – do stay for a quick chat!

### Mrs Kruk's MLL Philosophical Question in Your Home Language:

Why do we like different things?

Por que gostamos de coisas diferentes?

Dlaczego lubimy różne rzeczy?

De ce ne plac lucruri diferite?

The last **Language Café** for multilingual parents this academic year is taking place **next Friday, 5th July between 2.15pm and 2.55pm** in the **Staffroom Lounge**. We hope to meet lots of multilingual parents to talk about developing children's home languages and helping with learning.

O último **Café Linguístico** deste ano letivo terá lugar na **próxima sexta-feira, 5 de julho, entre as 14h15 e as 14h55**, no Staff Lounge.

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Esperamos conhecer muitos pais/cuidadores multilingues e falar sobre o desenvolvimento das línguas domésticas das crianças e ajudar na sua aprendizagem.

Ostatnia **Kawiarnia Językowa dla wielojęzycznych rodziców** odbędzie się **5-ego lipca w piątek o godzinie 14:15 w Staff Lounge w d'Avuergne School**. Mamy nadzieję spotkać wówczas wielu rodziców, aby porozmawiać o rozwijaniu dzieci języków ojczystych oraz o tym, jak pomóc im z zadaniem domowym.

See you on Sunday Funday!

Mr Cooper

## **Year Group Updates**

### **Futures 1**

What a glorious week we've had in the sunshine. Thank you to those who have sent in sun cream already. It allows us to enjoy outdoor learning safely for greater periods of time.

On that note we have created a carwash, dug for shells in the sand as well as join our neighbours in their Reception outdoor provision. It has been lovely to see the Futures children sharing a busy space with many other children, watching their interactions and relationships building.

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Mason & The Futures Team

### **Futures 2**

We have finished this year's round of swimming lessons and I find it hard to express just how well all children have done! Every one of our swimmers have made great progress and, more importantly, have had a fun time jumping and splashing. Swimming sessions will pick up in the Autumn term 2024/25 and we are VERY GRATEFUL (caps for emphasis) for the patience and kindness the swimming instructors have consistently shown.

As a substitute Tuesday feature, Futures 2 will be going for a walk in the woods - with hopefully Bonnie at our side. Who's walking who, we'll find out!

In other news, Mrs Keough encouraging the children to design their very own smoothies. This week was all about refining our palate and trying various combinations and ingredients, and next week we will be designing our brands. You have two weeks to prepare yourself for some tasters coming home...

Finally, thank you for modelling to your children how to be sun safe. Where possible, we appreciate applying sun cream before the school day and we will ensure to top up throughout the day.

We still have a lot to do before the end of the school year, so here's to an energetic and bright July.

Best wishes

The Futures 2 Team

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## Nursery

This week whilst Miss Fage has been out and about meeting lots of new nursery children, our current nursery have been having lots of fun in the sun!

This week we have enjoyed lots of water and ice play, den making in the garden to provide shade and enjoyed a special ice cream treat to cool us down. We were learning the sound j-j-j and next week will be learning vvvvvvvv. We've been carefully watching our caterpillars who have now cocooned and are hoping that they will soon be beautiful butterflies.

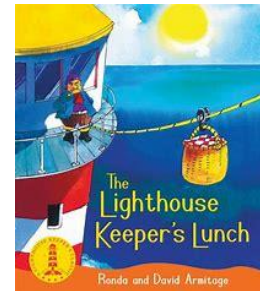
We're looking forward to watching a performance of Jack and the Beanstalk by Flair Entertainment next week and are hoping this will inspire lots of imaginative role play.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Fage and the Nursery Team

## Reception

This week in Reception we have been reading 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' story and talking about Mr and Mrs Grinling's problem of how to keep those pesky seagulls away from Mr Grinling's lunch. Mrs Grinling tried lots of different ways, including putting their cat Hamish into the basket but even that didn't work. She was 'jubilant' when her mustard sandwiches worked a treat and the seagulls looked elsewhere for their lunch. In class, we made our very own disgusting sandwich and the children thought about all the horrible ingredients they could use to ensure their picnic was safe. Thank you to the grownups that came in to see our learning on Friday. What disgusting sandwiches you all designed with your children!



All this lovely learning is in preparation for our 'independent write' next week. Your children will all have an opportunity to show us what they can do independently using the sound mats to support if they choose to. It gives us a good indication of the skills they have embedded this year, including all the home learning you have supported them with whilst they have been in Reception.

In maths, we have been learning to create a tally and we now know that this helps us to collect data quickly. Practise this at home remembering to cross through the 4 lines for the 5<sup>th</sup> one.

Draw a tally for your child e.g.  $\text{||||}$  / and ask them what they see? They may say, 'I see 5 and 1 more, that's 6.'

Next Friday, the children will visit their new Year One teacher and spend some time in their new classroom. There will be many meetings between us and the Year One team so the transition will be as smooth as possible for your children in September. Please send the children in as normal on Friday with their bookbag, snack, lunch and water bottle. You will still drop them off and collect them from the Reception gate as usual.

**Important reminder: Sunhats, suncream and water bottles everyday please!!**

Have a lovely weekend 😊

Mrs Rachel Lutkin-Clarke and Miss Jodi Shurey (The Reception Dream Team)

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## **Year 1**

What a lovely, warm week we have had in Year 1 this week!

In Literacy this week the children have been thinking about their time in Year 1. They have been writing sentences describing their favourite memories in Year 1, what they are most proud of this year, what they have enjoyed learning and what they would like to learn or improve on next year.

In Maths this week we have been counting to 100, counting forward, backwards and by counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. We have also begun to learn about time. Children have been learning to tell the time to the hour and to half past the hour. Children would benefit from consolidation with this at home.

In Topic this week we have been looking at where our food comes from. We have discussed and labelled the 7 continents and how food is shipped and traded around the world.

In art this week the children have been tasting different fruits, following on from their work about Guiseppe Arcimboldo. They have then designed their own smoothie and discussed what fruit they would like to put in their smoothies.

Reminders:

- With the warmer weather, please send your child to school with a labelled hat and suncream applied in the mornings.
- Please continue to read daily, practice spellings and record this in homework diaries.
- Parent drop in morning for Year 1 is Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 8:45.
- KS1 sports day is Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Mrs Andre Brown and Miss Aubert.

## **Year 2**

I am sure you have some very excited children due to our upcoming trip to Sark on Monday. Please ensure you have read over the letters that have been sent via parent mail to ensure everything runs smoothly on the day.

This week in writing we have been looking at persuasive writing techniques, the children wrote sentences using all our previously learnt skills to try and persuade people to come to Grandad's Island. Although we have seen a massive improvement in handwriting, please can you push for this at home too.

As I am sure you are aware, your child will have come home with a yellow 'Keeping me safe and well' folder this week. Over the past four weeks, the children have had sessions that cover a range of topics that cover things they can do to keep themselves safe. Please look through these folders with your child and discuss with them what they learnt from this programme.

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We have been bending and squishing materials in science this week, both classes worked on an experiment to see which materials are soft or hard and how this affects them. They used their maths skills to draw a table of results into their books.

We will see you bright and early at 7:30am on Monday morning! Have a restful and wonderful weekend with your excited children.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 2 Team

### **Year 3**

A very productive week in Year 3.

In writing, we have been working hard composing and writing our final independent writes for Year 3. The children have produced some great step by step guides on how to wash a Woolly Giraffe. The children have shown great focus by consolidating all the writing skills they have learnt over the academic year.

In Maths, we have continued to focus on length. Where the children have been looking at word problems using cm, mm and m. Encourage your child at home to share what they have been learning. Can they tell you how many cm in 3m 45cm or what is 7m 38cm in cm? We will be moving on to Time next week, so please can you practice at home by asking your children what the Time is at different times to see if they can tell you the right time?

We had a fun Art lesson this week, where we were investigating print by using a stencil, poly block and paint ink to create a Stonehenge print. Unfortunately the polystyrene was not the best and we didn't get the result we wanted so we will be sourcing different polystyrene to try again next week!

In Science, we investigated what would happen to a flower when we put it in water with a dye, we look forward to seeing the results when we return to school on Monday! We have also been looking at the features of a plant by drawing our own flower and explaining what each part of the flowers role is.

All the children have signed up to take part in our school Olympic games being held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July. We ask that on both these days that all the children must have labelled hat, Suncream applied before school and a water bottle please.

Not long now until our trip to La Hougue Bie on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, we will be leaving school at 9am and returning just after 1pm. Please can all children have a snack and disposable lunch to take with them. If your child has a hot lunch please contact the office to have this changed.

Enjoy the weekend and this beautiful weather we are having!

Best Wishes,

The Year 3 Team.

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#### **Year 4**

Another busy week!

We have completed all of our end of year assessments, the results of which will be shared with you in the end of year reports. It has been excellent to see how much progress the children have made. Well done all!

In English this week, we have started writing our own non-chronological reports based on marine wildlife. In Maths, we have moved onto learning about money. The children have been calculating amounts, rounding amounts of money to the nearest pound and representing values in different ways.

Many of the Year 4 children have been working hard towards our LKS2 performance of Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream.' We look forward to showcasing this on Wednesday next week.

Thinking ahead to next year, the children will have the opportunity to meet their new Year 5 teachers and spend some time in their Year 5 classrooms on our transition day on Friday next week. This should help them to feel comfortable and confident going into Year 5. Time flies!

Thank you to parents for your ongoing support.

Best regards,

Miss Bolton and Mr Worthington

#### **Year 5**

On Tuesday, the children were lucky enough to go to the War Tunnels, which was incredibly interesting and gave the children a really valuable insight into real life during World War 2 here in Jersey.

In Maths, we have continued with our angles topic. We used key vocabulary to describe regular and irregular 2D shapes - quadrilateral, parallel, angle, vertex - can your child explain what these mean and use them to describe shapes in the world around them?

On Thursday, we continued our dance sessions with Jodie Lee. The children were put into groups and they made an opening and an ending for their own dance - well done everyone!

As we near the end of the school year, we have also been doing some reflection upon Year 5, what has gone well, what the children have enjoyed, and anything they would like to improve on in Year 6. This has been a lovely thing to do and we remembered some really nice memories that we have shared!

**Next week, we are going to FCJ on Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> July) to attend Speak Up, Speak Out. Year 6 children from different schools around the island, who have been voted for, will be delivering a speech and the children in the audience (us) will be able to vote for the child we think has delivered the best speech using the best oracy skills. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch on this day as we will not be here during the normal hour for hot lunches. We are very excited for this opportunity.**

Please ensure your child comes to school appropriately dressed for the weather with it being particularly hot this week.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Miss Lee and Miss Condlyffe

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## Year 6

What a wonderful week we have had in Year 6! The children have been working hard on the public speaking skills and writing / performing their speech writing. The children have also finished their independent writing poetry using emotive language; calculated the area of parallelograms and finished off sewing together their tote bags made from old t-shirts. The next few weeks are exciting as we look to prepare for our leavers' assembly!

Well done and congratulations to the Year 6s who performed and supported with the Macbeth production on Thursday evening - what a fantastic rendition it was!

Please be reminded of some key dates below:

- A 2-day art workshop with Alexander Mourant (an artist, educator and writer based in London).
  - 6H Monday 1st July & Tuesday 2nd July.
  - 6G Monday 8th July & Tuesday 9th July.
  - 6B Wednesday 10th July & Friday 12th July.
- Olympics Week
  - Week Beginning 8th July
- KS2 Sports Day
  - Thursday 11th July
- Year 6 Leaver's Disco
  - Thursday 11th July
- Year 6 Leaver's BBQ
  - Thursday 18th July 5pm-6:30pm
- Year 6 Leaver's Assembly
  - Friday 19th July 9am-10:30am

### Achievers

6B: The achiever this week is Dakota. She has been working very hard both in class and with her extracurricular activities. She has thrived this week regardless on the number of demands made upon her time and energies and not let any element of her work slip. Macbeth, House Captain duties, as well as leavers assembly prep, Speak Up Speak Out and regular class work - Dakota has managed it all with a smile and 100% determination and passion. Well done Dakota! A restful weekend ahead is needed!

6H: The achiever in 6H this week is Eden. What a wonderfully engaging speech Eden presented to her peers this week. She spoke with confidence and was incredibly articulate. This young lady has a bright future in public speaking and should be incredibly proud of herself - you absolutely smashed it Eden! Keep up the high standards you are setting yourself!

6G: The achiever in 6G this year is Tabby. She has been getting on brilliantly with her work this week and is constantly pushing herself out of her comfort zone. Specifically, in her performance as one of the weird sisters in Macbeth. She has demonstrated that she is a credit to our school and constantly reflects the d'Auvergne standard. Well done, Tabby!

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