

Friday 6th June 2025



PITMASTON POST

Character Value is Citizenship

On Thursday, Year 1 had an exciting and educational visit to Avoncroft Museum, where they explored the fascinating world of homes from the past. One of the highlights of the day was taking part in a Wattle and Daub workshop, where the children learnt how to build walls just like people did hundreds of years ago—using sticks, clay, horse hair, water, and even animal poo! The hands-on experience gave them a real sense of what life was like in the past. Each child also had the chance to make their own brick using a traditional mould, which was both fun and rewarding. Throughout the day, the children explored a variety of historical buildings including a prefab home, a Tudor house, and a tollgate house. They even visited a privy—an old-fashioned toilet—and examined the features of a traditional windmill. It was a wonderful day of discovery, and we were incredibly proud to hear from the Avoncroft staff how polite and well-behaved the children were. Well done, Year 1!



Promoting Equality at Pitmaston

Did you know that our curriculum has been carefully designed to ensure that we celebrate diversity? With recommendations from our diversity committee which comprised parents and staff members, each subject leader has carefully planned their curriculum to include mixed gender and mixed race people in our topics.

This has meant the introduction of some great new topics. Take a look at our website to see our brilliant curriculum.

A fantastic performance from the Year 6 boys saw them defeat a solid Oasis Academy team 5-0 this week. A tidy Callum Berry finish opened the scoring after an even start to the game. Not long after, Archie Wright grabbed the first goal of his impressive hat trick with a close-range finish. George Smith finished off the scoring with a strike from the edge of the area in the closing minutes. The winning run continues, and we remain top of the table!

Well done, boys!



What a fantastic day Reception had at All Things Wild! After a very wet start, we got to Honeybourne and the sun started to shine! First we learnt how to take care of our pets, including: providing a suitable environment; providing a suitable diet; allowing the animal to be able to exhibit normal behaviour patterns; allowing any need it has to be housed with, or apart from, other animals; protecting it from pain, suffering, injury and disease. We encountered goats, turkeys, camels, zebras, donkeys and meercats. Mr Lock even managed to herd a group of escaping goats! After lunch, it was all about the dinosaurs! We went on a Dino Train ride and saw so many different species. We then took a walk through the Dino Trail and even saw a dinosaur nursery! Then we went into the dig pit, where we uncovered so many huge fossils. The children were beautifully behaved and thoroughly enjoyed themselves!



Library Re-Launch

We hope that the children have been sharing with you how excited we are about re-opening our Pitmaston Library – there has certainly been an exciting buzz around school. We have had a huge clear out and replenished the Library, spending a huge sum on books of up to £12,000!!!! Children have the opportunity to choose from more age appropriate, high quality and engaging books that we have purchased from the 'recommended reads' that we have shared with all parents. Thank you to those who have donated books, as well as returning many of our school library books or Read Write Inc. book bag books. If you do ever find our 'Pitmaston Primary' stamped books at home, please do return them to us for others to enjoy – they all cost so much money. The Year 6 and class Librarians are scanning the books in and out on our library system, with the help of the teachers and Mrs Wilks, and we ask that everyone looks after our new books and of course returns them.



More David Walliams and Harry Potter books always needed!



Children will be limited to how many books they can borrow at one time, and books need to be returned to exchange for a new one. We want there to be plenty of books for all pupils to choose from. Children had asked specifically for David Walliams books and Harry Potter books amongst many other authors which we have purchased and some of you have kindly made donations. We continue to gratefully receive any David Walliams and Harry Potter books as donations as well as any of our Pitmaston Significant Authors; Roald Dahl, Jeremy Strong, Rachel Bright, Oliver Jeffers, Lenny Henry and Julia Donaldson. The library is open and supervised every lunch time for pupils in Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) including the outdoor decking area where children can choose a book to read or share with their friends.



Pre-school - Tuesday 17th June at 2pm on the school field
 Reception - Thursday 19th June at 9.15am on the school field
 Year 1 and 2 - Wednesday 18th June at 9.15am on the school field
 Year 3 - Tuesday 17th June at 9.15am on the school field
 Year 4 - Monday 16th June at 9.15am on Pitmaston Park
 Year 5 - Friday 20th June at 9.15am on Pitmaston Park
 Year 6 - Monday 23rd June at 9.15am on Pitmaston Park



Word of the Week

scavenge



Years
1-3



Meaning

Animals or people do this when they are looking through lots of things nobody else wants.



Challenge

Rats, seagulls, foxes, hyenas all **scavenge**. What do they like to **scavenge** for?

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Word of the Week

bustling



Years
4-6



Meaning

Moving in a hurried way, often because they are very busy.



Challenge

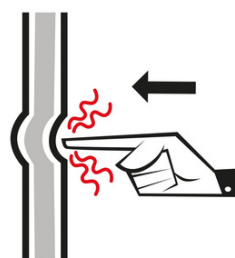
What places do you know that are **bustling**? Are there different times of the day **bustling**?

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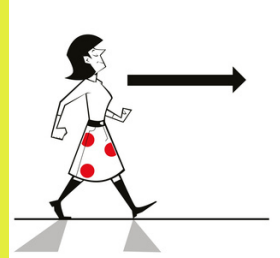
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Verbal Concepts are the words that shape how we think about the world. In Pre-School and Reception, a 'Concept of the week' is taught to support this important word learning process. The concept this week in Pre-School is 'soft' and in Reception is 'Forwards'



Soft



Forwards