



PITMASTON POST

REFLECTION

Congratulations to our U11s Athletics Team who last week travelled to the School Games (an event with nearly 1000 children taking part in various sporting events) to represent Worcester and Droitwich in the Sportshall Athletics Final. They had given up many lunchtimes and time afterschool to train for this event and we were so proud of how well we saw them running, throwing, jumping, and hopping- up against tough competition from all over the district. They performed brilliantly in the track and field events and came away with the bronze medal! In addition to this we were awarded with the 'Team of the Festival Award' from the organisers for demonstrating the values of the School Games. An amazing achievement.

Miss Widdett and Mrs Bream



Year 2 have completed their science topic with a lesson on hygiene. They have thought about all the ways they can keep themselves clean and why it's so important. They covered their hands in glitter to see how easily germs can be transferred to each other, which helped them to understand why washing our hands helps us to stay healthy.



On 15th March the Pitmaston Swimming Team took part in the Droitwich and Worcester Swimming Gala at Perdiswell. Fifteen schools took part and Pitmaston Primary came an amazing second place losing to RGS - a brilliant sporting success! Mrs Wilcock and Mrs Hartley were proud of all the members of the swimming team who encouraged each other throughout the competition. It was very exciting to watch – Mrs Wilcock lost her voice! A huge thank you to all the parent supporters who came to cheer us on.



Mia in Year 1 has passed her Initial Piano Exam with Distinction. She played all of her pieces in KS1 Assembly this week, playing some of them from memory. It was amazing to see how talented and brave she is- what an achievement at such a young age! We are so proud of you, Mia!

Class Assemblies - Summer Term

4HB	Friday 10th May at 9am
4R	Friday 17th May at 9am
4HT	Friday 24th May at 9am
RC	Friday 14th June at 9am
RK	Friday 21st June at 9am
RS	Friday 28th June at 9am

Word of the Week

To get children excited about words the whole school is starting 'Word of the Week.' Each week we will be displaying an interesting word and setting a small associated word challenge for you and your child. The challenges are small spoken tasks that do not require pen or paper. They just need you and some talk time, so easy to do on the way home or before bedtime. Get involved, have fun, and your child's vocabulary will grow!



Our Word of the Week is...

It means...

Your challenge is...

Y1

Y2

Y3



swoop

A bird suddenly flies downward.

Pretend to **swoop**. Which animals might **swoop**?

Y4

Y5

Y6



skeletal

So thin that you can see bones through the skin.

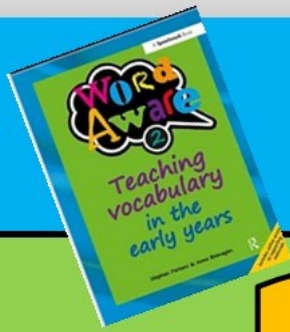
What might have happened to a horse that is **skeletal**?



Weekly Top Talking Tip

English/home language: This game is great for helping children acquire good vocabulary in all the languages that they speak. Choose a theme e.g. clothes/fruit/vegetables etc. Start by naming an item from the category in your home language. Your child must then say that word in English. It's now their turn to say a new word from the same category in the home language and you must name it in English. See how fast you can go! When your child doesn't know a word, be sure to explain what it is and try to use that





As you will be aware through Tapestry, we have recently launched an exciting new whole class programme in Pre-School and Reception called **Concept Cat**.

Verbal concepts are the words that shape how we think about the world. They are particularly important in Early Years because at this age children are making sense of the world and verbal concepts give them the means to talk about, interact and expand their understanding. Our Early Years team have had training from our Speech and Language therapists to deliver Concept Cat, which will really support this important word learning process.

Our Concept of the Week is...

Pre-School

Reception

Empty

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Rough

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Keep a look out on Tapestry for video links to show the teaching of each concept. Each new concept will be shared with you via Tapestry and this newsletter.