



St Mary's CEVA Primary



Academy Newsletter

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"Do Everything in Love" 1 Corinthians 16:14



Friday 4th February 2022

This week our focus is on peace for ourselves. Peace for others and peace for the world. We have been thinking about the events at Hiroshima. A little girl Sadako, suffering from the aftermath of the atomic bomb, began folding origami cranes to bring about her wish. The Peace Crane Project was founded due to actions of one young girl. The children have been writing prayers and wishes for peace. We have been creating our own peace cranes.

<https://video.link/w/FaSYc>

This week, KS2 children have been looking at maps; drawing maps from the past and plotting new features of Kettering that have appeared recently. Did you know, the Newland Centre in Kettering was built in 1977? As the term unfolds, we will be learning more about the role that shoe making had in the growth and development of Kettering.

Whilst showing visitors around today, I was delighted by the delicious aromas created by EYFS as they celebrated Chinese New Year. The children created a wide range of delicious foods. 2022 is the year of the tiger. If your age is a multiple of 12 this year, you fall under the Tiger sign, known to be king of all beasts in China. People born in the Year of the Tiger **are brave, competitive, unpredictable, and confident.**

We are hopeful that the challenges of Covid will soon be behind us. Many pupils and many staff have been or are currently absent with Covid. We ask God to look after all those who are ill and bring about a speedy recovery.

To safeguard our school community, please may we request that **NO MOBILE PHONES** are to be used anywhere on the school site, on the playground or inside the school.



REMINDER OF SCHOOL COLLECTION TIMES:

EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 - 3:15pm

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 3:20pm

Covid-19 Guidance

If you have a positive case in the household children over five years old are asked to do a LFT test daily and CAN attend school if they have a negative result.

If a child has any covid symptoms, they should go for a PCR test.

Please can we ask all Parent/Carers to continue wearing face coverings in and around the school site.

Please note: COVID-19 cases are high in Kettering currently, so please ensure you notify us by email of any positive Coronavirus results at any time of the day and weekend via our Covid email address. As per current guidance, we do not need immediate action on a single case to isolate individuals, as we will be notified by NHS Track and Trace.

Email: covid@stmarysprimarykettering.co.uk

With blessings,

Diane Wright MA (Education)
HEADTEACHER



Key Stage 1

Began the school year by studying our local area. We began by walking around our school and drawing basic maps and moved on to walking around our local area and creating maps of the streets and key buildings surrounding our school. We also compared photos of streets and places in Kettering taken many years ago to photos taken in the same places in the present day. It was fascinating to see which parts of the streets and buildings had changed, and which parts had remained the same.

In the lead up to Christmas, children from Key Stage 1 studied toys from different periods of history, ranging from toys within living memory to toys used in Ancient Greece. We had lots of fun putting pictures of toys into chronological order and spotting similarities and differences between toys we play with today and toys children would have played with 2000 years ago. The children chose particular toys to focus on, describing how they had changed and developed through time. We also thought about what we could learn about daily life in different eras from the toys children played with.

We are currently learning about the United Kingdom. All children have used maps to identify the four countries of the UK and their capital cities, and Year 2s have located the United Kingdom on maps of the world. We have also looked at where Kettering is in the county of Northamptonshire and Year 2s found Northamptonshire on a map of counties of the UK. We have enjoyed locating different landmarks and important cities.

Key Stage 2

Children spent the first two terms learning all about the Ancient Maya. We enjoyed making hot chocolate – a drink created by this fascinating civilisation – and visiting Cadbury World to find out more about how the Ancient Maya used cacao beans. Throughout the topic, we have studied many different aspects of Ancient Maya society. We learnt about the Ancient Maya creation story and found it really interesting to compare it with the Christian creation story. We learnt about the structure of Ancient Maya society and are looking forward to comparing that with the structures of other societies that existed at the same time as the Ancient Maya and afterwards. We also used archaeological evidence to draw conclusions about daily life and thought about what we could learn about their beliefs from the incredible buildings that they created.

This term, we are learning all about our local area. We will be visiting significant places in Kettering, using evidence to study the changing demographic over time and embarking on a project to make our own shoes. We will also be developing some of our geography fieldwork skills.

Clare Hollingshurst
Year 1/2 Teacher

The background of the poster is a stylized illustration. At the top right is a yellow sun with geometric patterns. Below it, the title 'MOANA JR.' is written in large, blue, stylized letters. The 'O' in 'MOANA' contains a white spiral. To the left of the title is a yellow sailboat with a red spiral on its sail, sailing on blue waves. The overall style is reminiscent of the Disney movie 'Moana'.

UNITED THEATRE GROUP

PRESENTS

Disney

MOANA JR.

THE MASQUE THEATRE

CASTLE WAY, BARTON SEAGRAVE

February 2022

17th - 7pm | 18th - 7pm | 19th - 2pm & 6pm

£8 per Ticket or 4 for £28

masquekettering.co.uk | 01536 737737

@UnitedTheatreGroup

Disney's Moana Jr. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY (212) 541-4684 mtishows.com

Karmen

Year 1

Rohelia

Year 1-2



24TH-31ST
JANUARY 2022

Daria

Year 3-4

Oscar

Year 4-5

STAR OF THE WEEK

Harroop

Year 2

Joey

Year 3

Savannah

EYFS

Finley

Year 5-6

Whole
class

Year 6

Coronavirus (COVID-19)



Hands



Face



Space



Fresh air

Anyone in my house develops Coronavirus symptoms:

- New continuous cough
- High temperature
- A loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Anyone in your household has a test for Covid-19

<https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119

If you are reporting a positive Covid case during school hours please inform us by the usual method of communication on our telephone number 01536 485500 or email office@stmarysprimarykettering.co.uk

Out of school hours evenings/weekends:

Email: covid@stmarysprimarykettering.co.uk

Please notify us by email of any positive results over a weekend or an evening as per current guidance we do not need immediate action on a single case to isolate individuals, as we will be notified by NHS Track and Trace.

In order to ensure that the school remains the safest possible environment for the children and staff, and that the risk of transmission is reduced, we all need to work together to ensure that we follow the latest Government guidance.