



HANDSWORTH NEWS

BRANCHING OUT, GROWING TALL
HAND IN HAND, ONE AND ALL

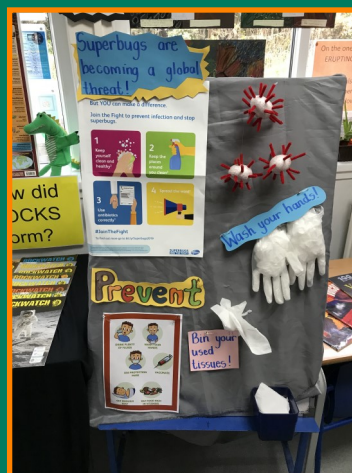


Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

What a fun packed week we have had! Science Week has been amazing. Thank you so much to Miss Jordaan and our visitors for all your efforts in organising wonderful experiences for the children. It was great to have our governors in to judge a competition! The Mayor of Waltham Forest enjoyed a tour of the school and heard from some very enthusiastic children who told him all about what they have been learning. Children across the school enjoyed The Mad Science assembly, having the chance to bring their 'wheels' to school, looking at fossils, planting seeds, taking part in lego DNA adventures and visiting the mobile science library. We have had trips to the Bancroft Science Fair and to Tate Modern and our Year 1 children enjoyed a trip to the Transport Museum. Today we had lots of fun raising money and taking part in Sports Relief. It's been a busy week!

Please keep checking our website regarding COVID-19 updates. We will continue to follow Government advice. As always, the health and safety of our whole school community is our main priority! Please contact the school office if you would like to discuss anything further.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Nairne

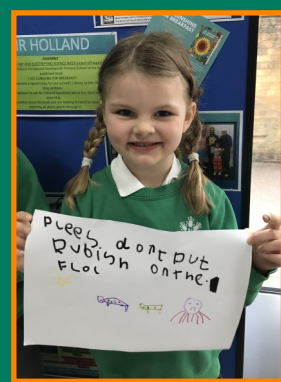
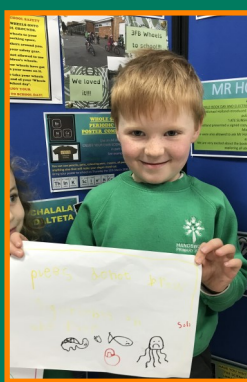


It was a pleasure to welcome The Mayor of Waltham Forest, Cllr Christopher Robbins CBE. The children enjoyed taking him on a tour of our school and explaining what we have been doing for Science Week!

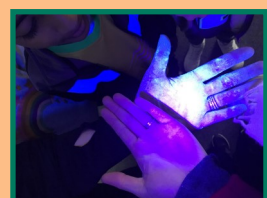
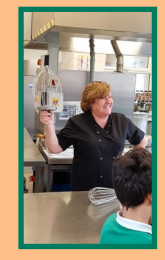
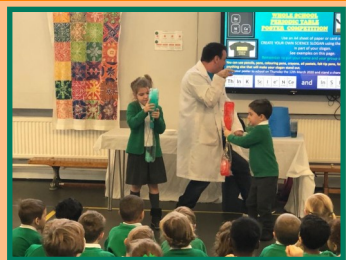




We really enjoyed making our Mayan masks, We really took our time to create our design, make and then decorate our masks. We are really proud.



Reception have been working hard making posters! They really want us all to think before we drop litter. It is important that we recycle and that we all make sure we use the bins around the school and in our community. Great work Reception!



Thank you to EVERYONE who made Science Week a huge success! The children had the most amazing experiences!

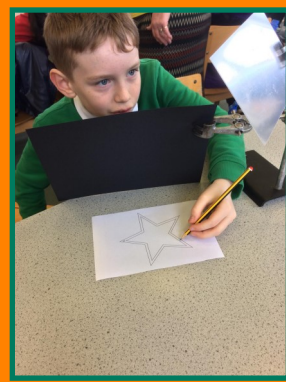
For Sport Relief, Year 6 pupils and the Sports Council created a timetable of activities that offer fun as well as challenge our pupils!

Film Club showed sport and science themed films throughout the day; the ever popular 'Torture their Teacher' by throwing wet sponges at them whilst they were in stocks returns; and the Challenge and Sport Zones offered old favourites such Higher or Lower, Beat the Goalie and the Obstacle Course.

Arguably the most popular stall of the day - the cake sale - returned, as did the Great Handsworth Bake Off. Did you bake this year's showstopper?

We hope everyone enjoyed they day! It is fantastic to raise lots of money for these great causes!





Year 6 pupils attended their first Bancroft School Science Fair. This was an incredible morning of practical activities and interaction with Sixth Form students. We were escorted around the grounds of this impressive school (described as "exactly like Hogwarts" by some Handsworth pupils) by our own Sixth Form guide to take part in four workshops.

First was Biology - looking at pond life through microscopes; examining the skulls of animals to determine if they were carnivores, herbivores or omnivores; and exploring how our own brains work by attempting to draw an image without looking directly at it. Next, we explored Physics; we created our own rockets and launched them to see whose were the most aerodynamic. We went on to a Chemistry session, where we were treated to the wonders of chemical reactions from bubbles turning into fire and what happens in your glow sticks to a (carefully controlled) explosion!

We finally ended up in the main hall to explore the hands-on exhibits put on by the Sixth Formers. These included making 'snow', exploring water density by creating rainbows and creating a volcanic eruption out of eggs and vinegar. Voting for our favourite exhibit was difficult. We left with our goodie bags and an ignited passion for Science!



On Tuesday, the Digital Leaders went to the Tate Modern for the Tate Exchange. There were a variety of different power related activities to explore such as soundscapes, Lego and Lego micro-bits, animation studios, "who's the real person?" "what power means to you" and many more! The Digital Leaders were fascinated by the different activities and art works.

"I can see how those activities relate to power and technology," Gabi explained.
 "I was so happy to be given such a great opportunity to be at the Tate Modern with my friends and other people from around the world, it truly was magical!" Safiya said happily.
 "It was a fun day out and it was an opportunity to meet children from around the world." Said Nathaniel.