Newsletter

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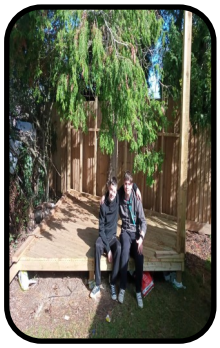
Head Teacher's Update

Welcome back! A really positive start to the new academic year, with pupils settling back into school routines. Some exciting developments at Neptune include our new interactive boards that have been installed in every classroom, KS4 pupils planning a treehouse as part of their careers project and Bonnie has a school uniform.

In Bay class we recently started a new treehouse project. We are using a variety of tools and equipment and various wood materials under the observation and guidance of our school caretaker Jamie and teacher Charlie. We are developing our DT skills, as well as using our maths and science learning to make sure that the structure is safe and stable for members of the school. By Max and Ryan.



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Key Dates

04/09/2023– First day of term 1
20/10/2023– Last day of term 1
23/10/2023- Half term starts
27/10/2023– Half term ends
30/10/2023- Term 2 starts
15/12/2023- Term 2 ends
18/12/2023– Half term starts
29/12/2023– Half term ends
01/01/2024– Bank holiday
02/01/2024– Inset day
03/01/2024– Term 3 starts
09/02/2024– Term 3 ends
12/02/2024– Half term starts
16/02/2024– Half term ends
19/02/2024– Term 4 starts
29/03/2024– Bank holiday
01/04/2024– Bank holiday
02/04/2024– Half term starts
12/04/2024– Half term ends
15/04/2023– Term 5 starts
03/05/2024– Inset day
06/05/2024– Bank holiday
24/05/2024– Term 5 ends
27/05/2024– Half term starts
31/05/2024– Half term ends
03/06/2024– Term 6 starts
05/07/2024– Inset day
19/07/2024– Term 6 ends
22/07/2024– Inset day
23/07/2024– Inset day
24/7/0224– Inset day

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This term in..

In cove class we have had a good start to the year, we have been engaging in many sensory activities, making our own puppet shows and creating our own experiments. Cove Class selected Drew to be our school council rep and we are looking forward to bringing our many ideas these meetings.

In Fjord class We've had a great start to the year in Fjord, warmly welcoming Lydia to our class. We have been enjoying all of our lessons, particularly in English and Topic where we've been reading sci-fi and learning about space. Our shared write was hilarious and we made lunar cycles from Oreos! Hopefully by the end of term we'll be launching our own rockets!

In Spring class we have started this term really positively. Both pupils have been working really hard academically and socially. We have been really enjoying our new smart boards to complete tasks as a class and independently. As a class we have selected Oscar to be our student council rep, we are looking forward to him brining our class ideas to SLT.

In Lagoon class so far this term we have been learning about place value and numbers up to 10,000 in Maths. In English, our class book this term is 'The Boy Who Sailed The Ocean in an Armchair' by Lara Williamson. We have introduced the book, got to know the characters as well as create our very own spy profiles. In Topic this term we are learning about the Blue Abyss, we have hatched and observed our sea monkeys as well as created our own 5 layers of the Ocean using corn syrup, dish soap, water, oil, rubbing alcohol and food colouring. We have been working hard in Lagoon class!

In Delta class This term we have said a huge welcome to three new pupils. We have thoroughly enjoyed spending time with them and getting to know them individually and as part of our class, participating in various games, activities, and competitions. As a class, we have a shared love for our morning bagels and spending time outside in the garden and the local community. We are super excited to see the progress and achievements that Delta will make over the upcoming weeks.

As a new teacher to Neptune and most importantly, Lake class, the last few weeks have really been about all of us getting to know each other. However, we have started reading our class book "Wonder" and we are in the process of making our own masks from paper mache. This term we have been trampolining which everyone seems to be enjoying. Jonah has designed and built an amazing den at the front of the school, although work is currently postponed due to weather conditions.

In Bay class we have recently been learning how to analyse and continue mathematical sequences. The boys have made great progress in this area and will soon be moving on to algebra! We have been developing our baking skills in cookery, making several different cakes and next on the menu is spaghetti bolognaise. In our English lessons we are mastering our poetry writing skills by delving into the language used in the poetry anthology, 'Booked.'

Bonnie our therapy dog has been enjoying her walks.

Lake class have been busy den building

We have new smart boards to complete our work on