

NC News

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The newsletter of
Normand Croft Community School



Improving attendance continues to be a priority for our school. Thank to those parents/carers who make sure that your children comes to school on time, everyday unless they are too ill to do so.

Rec	79
1	94
2	93
3	84
4	88
5	91
6	91
Total	89



Attendance Matters



Our Shared Values Independence

In assemblies this week, we discussed the 'golden rule' common to all major world religions and how if we follow this we can be safe, be kind and be the best we can be, even when no-one is looking.

We talked about the importance of thinking for ourselves and standing up for what we know is right (being an upstander) rather than joining in with the wrong behaviour or standing by and doing nothing (being a bystander).



In Joseph' Coelho's story 'My beautiful Voice' not all of the children were kind. The children talked about what they should say to somebody if they heard them being unkind to someone in our school and how the teacher in the story developed their self belief.

World Book Day

A massive thank you to everyone who took part in our World Book Day celebration.

It was wonderful to see so many children, staff and parents/carers enjoying reading together across the school.



Unity Farm

There has been so much happening on Unity Farm this week. Spring is definitely on its way as there are daffodils blooming alongside our snowdrops and crocuses.

Mrs Harvey has now completed the pond renovation and the children have been thrilled to spot a number of frogs enjoying their habitat along with a newt!.

Children in Nursery and Reception are looking forward to see how the frogspawn develops over the next few weeks.



The Year 6 Eco Club have worked really hard weaving the screen along our Lillie Road boundary as well as making a 'dead hedge' inspired by RHS Wisley.

We are also very pleased with the number of birds now visiting our garden, thanks to the bird feeders the children have made, to make sure the birds do not go hungry.

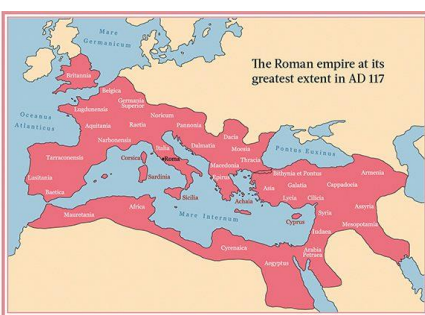
We love learning outside the classroom and know that spending time outdoors is good for our physical and mental health and wellbeing.

Be Safe, Be Kind, Be The Best That You Can Be Early Years and Primary Learning

Reception Class enjoyed celebrating World Book Day this week. We loved reading with our parents and carers and taking part in the book day costume parade.

Class 1 had so much fun on World Book Day and did a lot of reading for pleasure. We have started a new English text *The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse* which links to our new Geography topic. As a result we have been exploring what things we might find in the city or in the countryside. Class one also went on a bug hunt in the garden to see what insects they could find and then we looked at naming the body parts of the insect.

This week in Class 2, we have been learning how to count an amount of money in a variety of ways in our maths lessons. In computing, we have been learning how to ask questions and sort and classify data to create branching diagrams. In pairs, we used a pre-made branching diagram on minibeasts to try to identify the minibeast that our partner was thinking of and took turns in doing this.



In addition to reading lots of books on World Book Day, Class 3 have also started our new text *'Romulus and Remus'* in English. This links to our history unit *'The Romans'*. In History, we have looked at maps and produced our own historical timelines to help us understand when the Romans lived and the duration of their empire.

Class 4 children are continuing to enjoy their swimming lessons and keeping fit and active during their cycling time and PE lessons.

Class 5 have worked extremely hard this week, focusing on converting mixed numbers into improper fractions in Maths and writing from another person's viewpoint in English. They spent time developing their understanding of chronology in History, placing key world events in the correct order and revisiting the meaning of BC and AD.

They shone brightly on World Book Day, setting a wonderful example to Year 2, reading patiently with them, using encouraging words and lots of praise. Thank you to all the Class 5 parents who came to read with the class. It was such a pleasure to have you all with us.



Class 6 have had a busy week this week and have been working hard. We have been mastering our decimal skills in maths and solving problems using decimals. In geography, we have been comparing and describing different types of settlements that be found around the world. We have learnt which natural site factors may influence an early settler.

Diary Dates

Mon 6 th Mar	C3&4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Class 1 & 2 Multisports
Tue 7 th Mar	C1&2 PE Y5 & 6 Fulham Palace 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 3 & 4 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Gardening Club
Wed 8 th Mar	C5&6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Science Club 3.30 – 4.30 Girls Football
Thu 9 th Mar	Swimming C4 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Eco Club 3.30–4.30 5 & 6 Boys Football
Fri 10 th Mar	Swimming C3
Mon 13 th Mar	Science Week C3&4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Class 1 & 2 Multisports
Tue 14 th Mar	C1&2 PE 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 3 & 4 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Gardening Club
Wed 15 th Mar	C5&6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Science Club 3.30 – 4.30 Girls Football
Thu 16 th Mar	Swimming C4 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Eco Club 3.30–4.30 5 & 6 Boys Football
Fri 17 th Mar	Swimming C3 Comic Relief

Thank You
to all the mums, dads and
carers who came in to read
with your children on
World Book Day.
We really appreciate your
support.