

Welcome to the Term 3 & 4 edition of Coalway Kids News! Our newsletter is created by the children of Coalway Community Infant School. Each term you will find our views, our voice and information on what we do and take part in at our school.

Meet our fabulous School Council!



Our School Council have been really busy thinking about how we can all be active at playtimes. They asked us for our favourite games, found out some new ones and taught the whole school new games like Stuck in the Mud and What's the Time Mr Wolf.

They are now helping everyone play them at playtimes. They are easy to spot with their new Playground Pals bibs on!





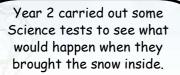


FUN IN THE SNOW!

When we woke up on Friday 1st February everywhere was covered in snow!

> When it started snowing we all tried to catch the snowflakes with our tongues!

We wish we had snow every day!



We made lots of snowpeople. We found sticks for their arms and used some carrots from snacktime for their noses.

They looked fantastic!

We wrapped up warm and had great fun playing with our friends at school.





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BIRDWATCH

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We took part in the RSPB Birdwatch and spotted lots of different birds in our school grounds.



Classes 3 and 4 made bird feeders using apples and pears and left them outside for the birds to enjoy.

We kept a tally of the birds we saw on different days.











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We spotted Robins, Starlings, Seagulls, Blackbirds, Magpies and Woodpigeons.

The most popular birds visiting Coalway Infant School were Blackbirds Magpies and Woodpigeons.





The Life Education Classroom visited us on Thursday and Friday 28th February and 1st March. We went into an inflatable classroom and met Harold the Giraffe who talked to us all about good health, feelings and looking after our bodies.







We did a dance with Anita to give us

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The Life Education Centre

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Harold came out I stroked Harold on the way out PIC·COLLAGE to meet us.

Geography Week 4th—15th March

Our week began with a Welly Walk around Coalway. We walked for ages and we couldn't believe we were still in Coalway when we got to Jugs Hole.



Reception's Geography Week Project

On our walk we saw lots of houses, the village shops—Eskimarket and Spar, the Fish and Chip shop, Greenwoods Nursery, the woods and Jugs Hole (the local pond).



During the week we made 3D models of some of the places we had seen along our Welly Walk to make a miniature village. We used Google Earth and our photographs to help us to remember what we had seen and what the different places looked like.



We showcased our miniature village to the rest of the school talking about what we had learnt. Mrs Hamilton even got to go for a walk around our miniature Coalway village to see everything we had along the way.

What did Years One and Two` think of our hard work?

'Coalway was amazing, I liked everything and the children looked really happy telling us about it!' Class 4

'I am very amazed. The park was so great I thought it was real!' Evie (Year 2)

'I thought it was great because they put lots of effort in and were trying very hard.' Evie-May (Year 2) It looked just like Coalway!



Year One's

Geography Week Project

In Year One we learnt about London, our capital city. We found out lots of facts using books, the iPads and Google Earth, about the important and famous landmarks of the city and enjoyed writing about them.



Finally all of our amazing hard work was placed onto a city map and we shared our learning with the children in Reception and Year Two. We drew the landmarks using pencil sketches and made them out of different construction equipment and then playdough.





What did Reception and Year Two think of our hard work?

'I thought they worked hard on it, I thought it was amazing, spectacular and excellent!' (Year Two)

'I learnt from Year One that if the flag is up on the palace the Queen is at home.' Poppy M (Reception)

'I liked the building like the Gherkin building because I really like cucumber.' Violet (Reception)



Year Two's



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Geography Week Project



Our focus in Year Two was the size of the World in which we live and the Continents and Countries within it. As well as learning that there are 7 continents in the World, we chose six Countries we wanted to learn more about: **Class 5** learnt about Brazil, France and Australia.



Class 6 learnt about China, Egypt and the USA.



We made the flags for our countries and built huge 3D models of the famous landmarks in our focus countries.

Our showcase was laid out in the hall onto a giant world map. We shared our facts with Reception and Year One and showed them where each country is within the world.

We had so much fun explaining our learning, with Thomas acting as a tour guide around the world as we travelled from place to place. We used books, computers and the iPads to search for facts and information about our focused countries. We learnt about and wrote lots of wonderful facts about our focused Countries.







Did you know?...

-Ice cream was invented in China

-Brazil have won the football World Cup 5 times.

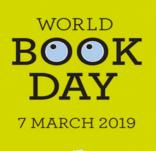
- -The Statue of Liberty is in New York City.
- -Uluru (the big orange rock) in Australia changes colour during the day.

-Egypt is a country n Africa.

-The Eiffel Tower is in Paris

What did Reception and Year One think of our hard work?

'The whole world was amazing, I just loved it!' Seb (Reception) 'I liked the Great Wall of China– It's super amazing!' Noah (Reception) 'The Year Two's looked really happy when they were talking' (Class 4)







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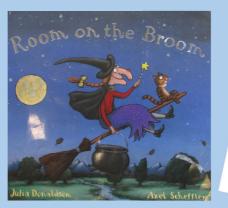
We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. We brought in our favourite books to share and we dressed up as a character from our book. Can you guess which characters these children are?





The costumes for World Book Day were fantastic! It was a real pleasure to hear and share the children's favourite stories.





Each class picked their favourite 3 books. The top 3 books from each class were...

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Class	Book Title	0.11
Class 1	Room on the Broom: Julia Donaldson I Need a Wee: Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet Little Bear's Big Jumper: David Bedford	Dahl
Class 2	Stick Man: Julia Donaldson There's a Monster in Your Book: Tom Fletcher We're Going on a Bear Hunt: Michael Rosen The Pig in the Pond: Martin Waddell	Mr. Fox
Class 3	Room on the Broom: Julia Donaldson The Night Pirates: Peter Harris Winnie's Dinosaur Day: Valerie Thomas	Blake Q
Class 4	Room on the Broom: Julia Donaldson Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy: Lynley Dodd Dinosaurs love Underpants: Claire Freedman & Ben Cort	
Class 5	Fantastic Mr Fox: Roald Dahl Mack and the Missing Cheese: Chae Strathie, Nikki Dyson The Pirates Next Door: Jonny Duddle	
Class 6	The Enormous Crocodile: Roald Dahl Zog: Julia Donaldson Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam: Tracey Corderay	

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Shoo Rayner visited us on the 12th March. He is a children's author and an illustrator.

He is a brilliant artist and is SO good at drawing!





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Shoo showed us how he draws pictures and then we all drew pictures with him.









On Friday 15th March we supported Comic Relief. The School Council came up with some great fun ideas to celebrate the day. We came to school in non-uniform and some of us had crazy hair or wore wigs, wore our pants over our clothes and dressed in red. We had a lot of fun and raised an amazing £286.50.



Some visitors from NatWest Bank came to do a workshop about money.

with every class. We handled money and talked about what we could spend our money on., thinking about sometimes paying for things that we need and sometimes for things that we want.

Year 2's thought about whether they should 'spend it, save it or donate it'. We learnt how to save up for different things we wanted. lots of children decided that if they had some money they would choose to donate it!

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Class 1 & 2 's 'Monkey Puzzle' Concerts were absolutely amazing! We were so proud of them.



Here are some of the comments from friends and family who came to see our performances.

Amazing play, really enjoyed it so came to all three shows. Great job from staff for costumes/backdrop and songs. Children were fantastic with so much to learn. Well done all!





Narrators were excellent. Amazing costumes. Kids did brilliantly.



Beautiful, happy children—we really enjoyed it—thank you all involved.



A wonderful, colourful performance! Well done to the staff and children, we thoroughly enjoyed every minute.



Absolutely amazing concert, the children were amazing and take a bow teachers.

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Well done children, you were all brilliant! Amazing effort made by the teachers and teaching assistants, thank you!!!



The set looked fantastic—it's like we have been transported to the jungle! Beautiful costumes/masks. A great performance by everyone. Well done



Well the sun is shining outside, but inside stars are bright! As always what a fantastic play. Just superb, backdrop, costumes, story, songs, brilliant! Well done to all of the children, staff and thanks Coalway Infant School, Well Done!

A wonderful display of all the hard work the children have done.



Congratulations to everybody involved in this weeks performances of Monkey Puzzle. It was an absolute delight to watch. The staff & children deserve huge praise for pulling off a magnificent performance. I am in awe at how all the children behaved & performed.

Animal masks were brilliant. Backdrop was amazing, very well behaved children.

