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May 2021



End of Year 11 Celebrations

This week we said goodbye to our Year 11 pupils. It has been an absolute pleasure to follow them on their journey from quiet, shy and nervous Year 7 pupils, to confident, determined and resilient young adults. On Tuesday we celebrated all their wonderful achievements in our final Trophy Assembly. We are so proud of them for embracing our school values and being such amazing learners. Their incredible journey culminated with a fabulous festival of celebration, including pizza, bouncy castles, music and lots of fun.

We wish them all the best for the future and look forward to seeing them all again on results day.

Value of the month

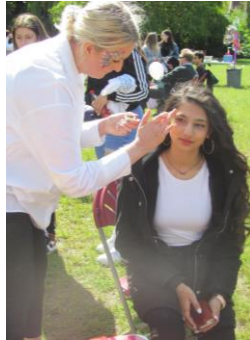


Trust

- Being reliable
- Having confidence in others
- Giving people a chance



Article 13 : Your right to have information.



Dates for June...

31st - 4th June ~ Half Term

7th June ~ Secondary pupils return to school

7th June ~ Staff Training Day - Primary Section

8th June ~ Primary pupils return to school



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Maths Reasoning Challenge

KS1 and KS2 have been working super hard to work out May's reasoning challenge. They have done an incredible job to explain their mathematical thinking.

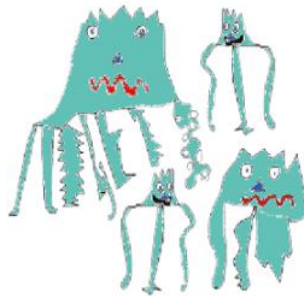
KS1 Challenge:

Here is part of a number square.

5	6	7	8	9
15	16	17		
25				

Add together the two numbers that would be in the shaded squares.

Challenge: How did you work out the two shaded squares? Explain your thinking.

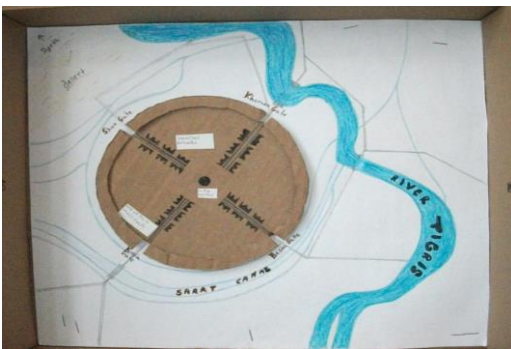


KS2 Challenge: On the planet Vuv there are two sorts of creatures. The **Zios have 3 legs** and the **Zepts have 7 legs**. The great planetary explorer Nico, who first discovered the planet, saw a **crowd of Zios and Zepts**. He managed to see that there was **more than one of each kind** of creature before they saw him. Suddenly they all rolled over onto their backs and put their legs in the air.

He **counted 52 legs**. How many Zios and how many Zepts were there? Do you think there are any different answers? Find as many different solutions as possible.

Challenge: What thinking skill did you use to solve this question? How did it help?

The House of Wisdom



Year 4's topic this half term has been 'What did the Islamic Civilisation leave behind?' The House of Wisdom was built in Baghdad around 900 AD and was a large library containing books that were translated into Arabic from all over the world. It was a research facility and many scholars studied there. Bixente, from Corvus class, made a 3D model of what ancient Baghdad looked like and completed a fact file all about it.

Space Art

Year 5 have been learning about Peter Thorpe and the style of Space Art that he creates. They looked at his art, drawn from different perspectives. They learnt about the use of colour and the blending techniques used to show different aspects of space. Here are some amazing depictions of our solar system:





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Eco-Warriors



The Eco-Warriors have been encouraging other children to recycle more often. They made 'general waste' and 'recycling' bin labels and have been very busy distributing them to the whole school.

Drama



Year 9 have been working on the musical *Blood Brothers* by Willy Russell. The play deals with complex issues such as nature vs nurture. They have enjoyed performing scenes and lyrics in lessons. The in-depth understanding of themes and characters will help prepare those who will be taking GCSE drama.

Year 11 have been performing their final GCSE performance based on a mini play that they started to create back in September. They have all done a brilliant job and each of them has created a completely unique piece of theatre. They should all be very proud of themselves.

Music



Year 7 pupils have been exploring the roots of music specifically looking at the Baroque Period. They have been learning how to play Pachelbel Cannon on the keyboard, using two hands, and how to add Ground Bass to a piece of music. They have also been exploring other traditional instruments of the era such as the Cello and Violin.



Year 8 pupils have been learning about the Blues, where it came from, how it developed in New Orleans and how it has influenced modern day music. They have also been exploring some of the most influential Blues musicians of the time such as Bessie Smith and Louis Armstrong. They have been learning how they shaped and contributed to the musical world.



Article 28: Your right to learn and go to school.



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School Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils in the Primary Section who achieved their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards this month:



BRONZE AWARDS:

Shariq – 4 Lyra
Zahra – 4 Lyra
Muhammad – 4 Lyra
Alexia – 3 Aquarius
Jason – 5 Pisces
Fatima – 4 Hercules
Ruby – 4 Hercules
Zahra – 5 Aquila
Krish – 4 Corvus
Dastan – 4 Corvus
Yahya – 4 Corvus
Chloe – 3 Orion
Aradhya – 3 Orion
Geogiana – 4 Hercules
Navya – 4 Corvus
Domantas – 4 Hercules
Hamza – 4 Lyra

Andrei – 4 Lyra
Eleni – 4 Lyra
Fouz – 4 Lyra
Henry – 3 Aquarius
Zainab – 3 Aquarius
Ismail – 5 Aquila
Alessia – 5 Aquila
Yasser – 4 Corvus

Naisha – 5 Aquila
Fadhil – 5 Pisces
Sophie – 5 Pisces
Yusuf – 5 Pisces
Miruna – 5 Aquila
Joel – 5 Aquila
Jason – 5 Aquila



SILVER AWARDS:

Manav – 5 Pisces
Mubarik – 5 Leo
Yahya – 5 Pisces
Abigail – 5 Pisces
Hamed – 5 Pisces
Dominika – 5 Pisces



GOLD AWARDS:

Mickelle 5 Pisces
Swapnil 5 Pisces
Ali 5 Pisces

Get Set Travel to Tokyo Certificates

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved their Get Set Tokyo Certificates this month:

Zahra – 2 Delphinus
Claudio – 2 Delohinus
Tej – 2 Delphinus
Aaminah – 2 Delphinus
Domantas – 4 Hercules
Ellie – 4 Hercules
Yusuf – 4 Hercules
Yahya – 4 Corvus
Patrice – 5 Aquila
Ashaz – 5 Aquila

Maths Reasoning Challenge

Congratulations to the following pupils:



KS1 winner:
Sasha Radke

KS2 winners:
Ashaz Jiffry
Vasavi Langston



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School Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils in the Secondary Section who achieved their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards this month:



BRONZE AWARDS:

Shayaan – 7 Kapoor
Fardeen – 7 Kusama
Suleman – 7 Wiley
Julian – 7 Wiley
Karima – 7 Wiley
Mohammad – 7 Kapoor
Joseph – 7 Hockney
Kimani – 7 Kahlo
Rian – 7 Kapoor
David – 7 Kapoor
Ioana – 8 Banneker
Alexandru – 8 Banneker
Sobhan – 8 Banneker
Fatima – 8 Banneker
Selina – 8 Banneker
Ptryk – 8 Banneker
Leoni – 8 Banneker
Larisa – 8 Banneker
Abdirahman – 8 Banneker
Valeria – 8 Germain
Esha – 8 Germain
Ana-Maria – 8 Germain
Tahleel – 8 Germain
Denis – 8 Germain
Mohammad – 8 Germain
Eno – 8 Germain
Oana – 8 Germain
Daisy – 8 Germain
Tomasz – 8 Germain
Shannon – 8 Germain
Zaina – 8 Germain
Nicoleta – 8 Banneker
Fiza – 8 Banneker
Sufa – 8 Banneker
Dhruv – 8 Banneker
Nawid – 8 Banneker
Uesli – 8 Banneker
Ionut – 8 Germain
Andreia – 8 Germain
Adel – 8 Germain



Mateusz – 8 Banneker
Nikia – 8 Germain
Saed – 8 Johnson
Atharva – 8 Johnson
Ali – 8 Johnson
Joshua – 9 Morpurgo
Faisal – 9 Morpurgo
Tyrell – 9 Morpurgo
Barlas – 9 Morpurgo
Kaci – 9 Morpurgo
Manar – 9 Morpurgo
Shabir – 9 Morpurgo
Nawal – 9 Morpurgo
Scarlet – 9 Morpurgo
Edward – 9 Morpurgo
Yusuf – 9 Morpurgo

SILVER AWARDS:

Tasal – 7 Kahlo
Abdullah – 7 Wiley
Ebrahim – 7 Kahlo
Mohamad – 7 Kahlo
Bianca – 7 Kapoor
Amelia – 7 Kapoor
Josiah – 7 Hockney
Hassan – 7 Wiley
Anaya – 7 Hockney
Tirth – 7 Hockney
Kayla – 7 Kusama
Zikriya – 7 Kahlo
Miranda – 7 Kapoor
Fawaz – 8 Banneker
Hassan – 8 Banneker
Isabela – 8 Germain
Esha – 8 Germain
Elizabeth – 8 Banneker
Ghazi – 8 Banneker
Srishiv – 8 Banneker
Lewis – 8 Germain
Noah – 8 Banneker
Uesli – 8 Banneker



GOLD AWARDS:

Raihan – 7 Hockney
Mohammad – 7 Hockney
Elisei – 7 Kapoor
Abdi – 7 Hockney
Aun – 7 Kusama
Hassan – 8 Banneker
Fawaz – 8 Banneker
Lewis – 8 Germain
Noah – 8 Banneker

Get Set Travel to Tokyo Certificates

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved their Get Set Tokyo Certificates this month:

Barlas – 9 Morpurgo
Juliana – 7 Wiley
Ridwan – 9 Bronte
Ahmed – 7 Kahlo
Mahamud – 7 Kapoor
Mawa – 7 Kusama
Beheshta – 7 Wiley
Tomasz – 8 Germain
Jay – 7 Hockney
Chris – 9 Bronte
Rafaelle – 7 Kahlo
Elisei – 7 Kapoor



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Year 11 Trophy Awards

Value Awards

Respect:

Anamaria – Aristotle
Vidhi – Descartes
Larisa – Confucius
Sade – Locke
Kerys – Plato

Responsibility:

Asha – Aristotle
Palakh – Confucius
Fatimah – Descartes
Sohail – Locke
Alexia – Plato

Appreciation:

Alex – Aristotle
Andreea – Confucius
Zahra – Descartes
Asseel – Locke
Raya – Plato

Harmony:

Joseph – Aristotle
Mohammed – Confucius
Oliver – Descartes
David – Locke
Umer - Plato

Unity:

Aland – Aristotle
Dawid – Confucius
Ayesha – Descartes
Anand – Locke
Cobby – Plato

Determination:

Najma – Aristotle
Akshay – Confucius
Karar – Descartes
Mohammad – Locke
Muji - Plato

Patience:

Nethun – Aristotle
Dzhuliya – Confucius
Abdullah – Descartes
Maryam – Locke
Hamza – Plato

Courage:

Ester – Aristotle
Justin – Confucius
Crystal – Descartes
Gayama – Locke
Aleesha – Plato

Friendship:

Maryam – Aristotle
Ahmed – Confucius
Maya – Descartes
Waqar – Locke
Amina – Plato

Thoughtfulness:

Lily – Aristotle
Bhumika – Confucius
Maddison – Descartes
Amina – Locke
Khurshid – Plato

Trust:

Jumanah – Aristotle
Ali – Confucius
Amie – Descartes
Avanthika – Locke
Yusra – Plato

School Awards

Young Musician of the Year ~ Avina – Aristotle
Sports Leader of the Year ~ Ajmal – Plato
Rights Respecting Champion of the Year ~ Eva – Aristotle
Citizen Award ~ Amelia – Confucius
Special Achievement Award ~ Aditya – Descartes
Outstanding Contribution to the School ~ Jay – Descartes
Spruce Cup ~ Mirela – Locke
Learner of the Year ~ Nicoleta - Aristotle



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