

The Place Where It's At

Oct/Nov 2021

Welcome everyone to our October/November newsletter, which is a wee bit late as we have been so busy. We are working hard and continuing to enjoy our learning, with a focus on transitioning into more classes in the school.

In numeracy we continue to work with Mrs Stevens from the Professional Learning Academy. We have been learning to tell the time and working on our number skills. We have been working with Kapla blocks, and taking part in different challenges, one of which was to build the biggest tower.



We have been going to some classes in the school, this is keeping our days really busy. Here are some of our thoughts and feelings on this.



I like going to music. I am learning the drum and keyboard. I am learning a rock beat on drums. My music teachers are really nice.

I have been going to science. My teacher is Miss Sharp. My favourite part is the experiments, I have been burning magnesium and copper chloride in the experiments.

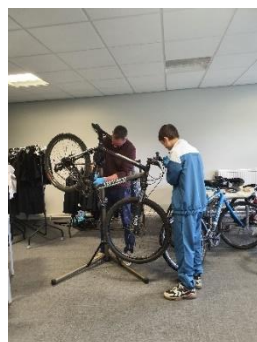


I have been going to P.E, my teacher is Mr Couper. I really like P.E. I have been playing basketball and football and going to the fitness suite. I have been getting to know other pupils.



We attend an English class every day. In these classes we are learning the same materials as the other first year pupils with support. We also have a library period once a week where we are encouraged to read a book, there are lots to choose from in the library and the new librarian has even ordered us some books we want to read.

We have been taking part in P.E with the S6 Sports Leadership Team and Miss Howie every Tuesday. Activities we have taken part in include gymnastics, trampolining and fitness suite. The fitness suite and the trampoline are firm favourites so far!



We continue to attend our JASS award group on Mondays and Thursdays with Mr Muirhead. We have been practicing map reading, putting up tents and taking short walks while wearing heavy rucksacks, this is to prepare us for an adventure soon! We have also been doing regular litter picking, showing that we volunteer to keep our school litter free.



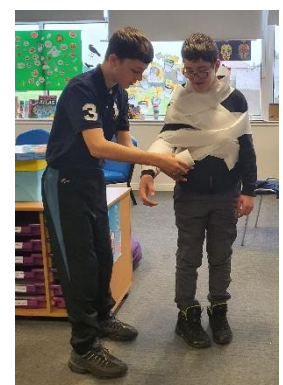
We have also been learning cycling skills, and Robert has been amazing with learning to go a bike! Rhys has been working on bike maintenance skills.

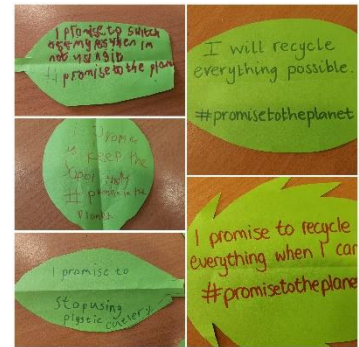
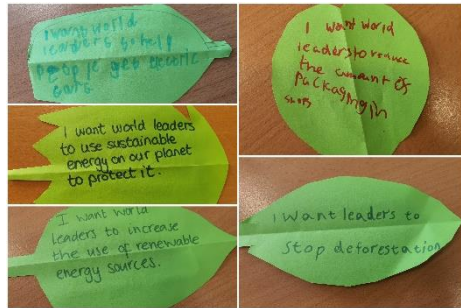
In December we will be busy learning another new skill - making candles. We hope to sell these at the school Christmas concert on the 20th December.

Halloween

We had our Halloween Party and had good fun playing games such as dooking for apples, pin the tail on the cat and musical statues. Well done to Emily for winning best costume!

We also made lots of Halloween crafts and look forward to starting our Christmas crafting soon.





We learned all about climate change, and the importance of COP 26. We made our own promise to the planet and wrote a message to world leaders as to changes we wanted to see.

We took part in the school's COP 26 event at Eglinton Park with S1 year group. Thank you to Mr McAlpine for driving us there and back in the new school minibus. We participated in some challenges, including building a bridge from natural resources and surveying Eglinton Park, during this we explored the area and worked with other pupils. After this we spent some time in the play park, again getting to know other pupils. We enjoyed the home-made soup made by the Home Economic Department.

