



Garswood Gazette

Dear Parents,
As the 1/2 term comes to an end I'd like to thank everyone for their support. Thank you also to the staff and cleaners who are going the 'extra mile' whilst we await our new caretaker starting at school. Another great 1/2 term! #Garswood #greatteam.

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Head Teacher

Stone Age Workshop

The Y3 children arrived at school on the 8th January to discover that their classroom had been transformed into a Stone Age workshop. Mrs Ashby, from Real History Hire, delivered fascinating, hands on learning and the children were able to explore precious artefacts. They discovered that the Stone Age was divided into three distinct periods: Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic. They saw how they created tools and how they learnt to farm and during the Art and Craft workshop Mrs Ashby explained how pots, jewellery and drawings were made.



Fit 4 Life

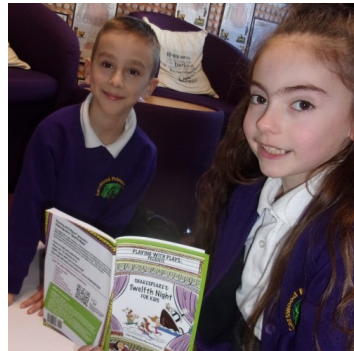
Y1 completed their 4 week Fit 4 Life programme with the St Helens Healthy Living Team. Parents attended informative sessions and joined with their children for fun, active sessions in the hall.

Shakespeare Week

It was a delight to see how the children embraced The Bard in our Shakespeare Week w/c 28th January. From Reception enjoying 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' all the way to Y6 studying 'The Tempest' - there was a wonderful appreciation of this English poet, playwright and actor. A performance of Hamlet for our junior children from The Young Shakespeare Company was a truly engaging highlight as the children had the opportunity to immerse themselves and involve themselves in the play.

Dewa Experience

Year 4 have been learning



all about the Romans during their history topic so they were thrilled to visit the Dewa Centre in Chester on the 8th February. They took part in reconstructions, excavations, a visit to the museum and award-winning hands-on room. They went on a soldier patrol armed with battle shields and under the 'strict' instruction of one of the experienced legionaries, discovered what it took to become part of the greatest fighting forces the world has ever known. Parents were invited into school to watch the children perform an assembly on the 13th February as a finale to the topic.

Harry Potter Night

The 5th February marked our 4th Harry Potter Night. Another amazing evening full of wizarding wonders and spell-binding surprises. There was so much for the Y2-Y6 children to enjoy once they were sorted into their respective houses. We had a fabulous birds of prey display which included owls, a vulture and a raven. There were all kinds of mini-beasts for the children to handle including spiders and cockroaches along with a giant bullfrog and a python. Activities included the Mirror of Erised, Honeydukes Sweetshop, tealight painting, cake and biscuit decorating, indoor and outdoor quidditch a giant chess game, wand making, spell-casting, ring toss, pin the bogey on the troll and much more. Prizes were given to the raffle winners and best costumes on the night. Children collected tokens from each activity and Ravenclaw was the overall winner.



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Explorer Day

Y1 have been learning about explorers and voyages and they have researched all about Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. To end the topic they had an explorer day where the children came to school dressed as explorers and shared their knowledge of who they had come dressed as. Grown ups were invited into school to listen to their sea shanties, space songs and look at the children's art work.

Young Voices

Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic



evening at The Manchester Arena on the 13th February. They took part in a Young Voices concert where over 5,000 children performed as a single choir to an audience of family and friends accompanied by Tony Hadley!

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