



Coniston Primary School Newsletter

23rd November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing week it has been, we have had visits from all sorts of different people! Visitors into school help enrich the curriculum which in turn leads to greater excitement and engagement with learning so we welcome them with open arms. The children at Coniston are a credit to all, their politeness, keenness to learn and all round exemplary behaviour is always commented on by visitors into school and by the wider community when out on trips. Well done boys and girls :)

The Curious Cube!

Thursday was a very exciting day in school, we were visited by The Curious Cube.

@Bristol launched this year as 'We The Curious' and are focused on creating a 'culture of curiosity', as part of this work they have created the Curious Cube. The mirrored structure has appeared at different locations across the



city and has been collecting the humorous and thought provoking questions we often ask ourselves. On Thursday it landed in our school hall and the children and staff spent the afternoon asking it questions. The plan is to collect 10,000 questions from all over Bristol, these questions will be used to redesign the exhibition space in the city centre, people can then visit and experience the curiosities of the world in which we live and maybe find some answers.

Clubs:

Next term Mr Glover will be running a comic book club, look out for letters coming home soon. Get thinking about your comic book character and plot ideas because you will be making your own!



Reminder:

We have noticed more and more children arriving at school eating things from the bakery, this food MUST be finished before the children enter the school or go through onto the KS2 playground. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day and certainly helps children function better in school, however this needs time to digest fully before the benefits are seen.

Singing:

On Wednesday a singing teacher from the Music Hub visited our Year 5 and 6 classes to support their singing practice for the carol service at Bristol Cathedral. We are really looking forward to being part of this cross Bristol Christmas event and are thoroughly enjoying learning the carols.



Road Safety Assembly:

The children were visited by the road safety team this week both during assembly and year group workshops. The children have learnt about crossing roads safely using zebra and pelican crossings with the younger children learning about the importance of holding an adult's hand. It is getting dark really early now so wearing bright or even better, reflective clothing is important if children are to be safe when walking home from school.



Attendance

This week's attendance figures are:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
91.1%	99.2%	96.7%	87.3%	97.9%	95.3%	93.9%

Well done to Year 1 with 99.2% attendance. The overall attendance this week was 94.6%. This is below our target of 95.5%.

This week's lateness totals are:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3	5	9	6	14	11	0

Well done to Year 6 with perfect punctuality!

	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Coniston Learning Champion
Reception	<i>Beatrise</i>	<i>Jason</i>	<i>Emily</i>
Year 1	<i>Hope</i>	<i>Lily</i>	<i>Albie</i>
Year 2	<i>Oscar</i>	<i>Cheri</i>	<i>Hudson</i>
Year 3	<i>Tyler</i>	<i>Maria</i>	<i>Blazej</i>
Year 4	<i>Henry</i>	<i>Fatma</i>	<i>Michael</i>
Year 5	<i>Callum</i>	<i>Harona</i>	<i>Milena</i>
Year 6	<i>Evan</i>	<i>Summer</i>	<i>Jaydan</i>

Key Dates (new events highlighted in green)

Thursday 6th December—Y5/6 trip to Clifton Cathedral for the South Glos Schools Carol Service	Wednesday 19th December- 9.30am KS1 Nativity Wednesday 19th December pm—KS1 Christmas Party
Friday 7th December—Singing club buskathon event at Southmead Hospital	Thursday 20th December - 9.30am—KS2 Christmas Carol Service (repeated at 6pm)
Monday 17th December—2.15pm KS1 Nativity Tuesday 18th December—Christmas Lunch	Friday 21st December pm—KS2 Christmas Party

This week's Coniston value's stars are Ava and Giovanna. Well done girls, you've been very aspirational with your learning this week.

Soraya Young—Deputy Headteacher

