

29th September 2023

Macmillan Fundraiser

Our coffee morning and cake sale was a great success again this year! Thank you to all our parents/carers for your kind donations and for the help on the day. We are very proud to have raised almost £200 for the cancer charity, Macmillan.



It was great to see so many cakes donated for our coffee morning and cake sale. We know that with the cost-of-living crisis, it isn't always easy to support charity events. Cancer research and the work that Macmillan do is so important to so many people and I'm proud of our contributions this week.

Thank you to all who donated.

Mrs Eastwood, Headteacher

Dates for your diary

3rd October - PGL meeting for parents of children attending the residential.

3:30pm in downstairs hall.

5th October - National Poetry Day

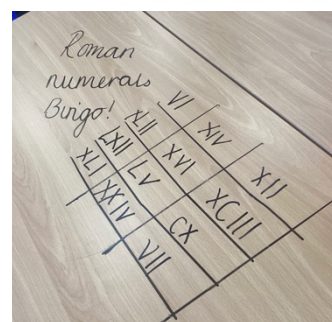
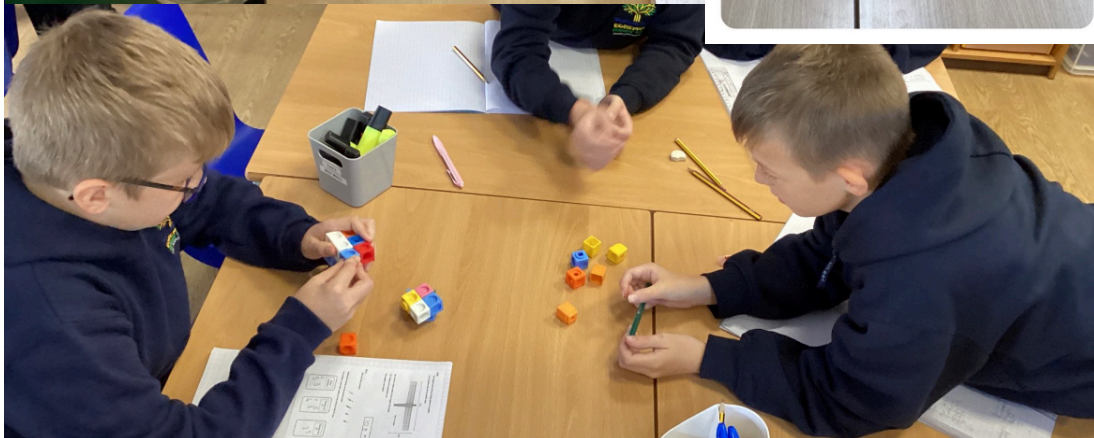
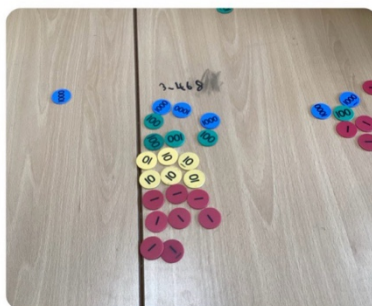
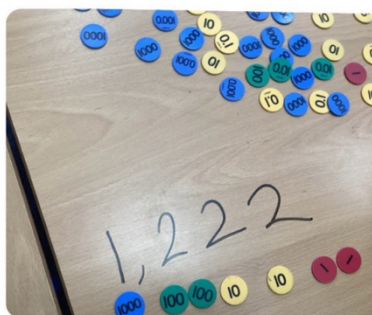
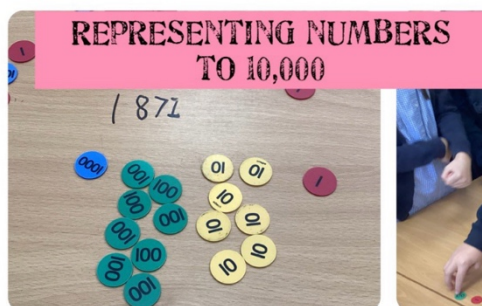
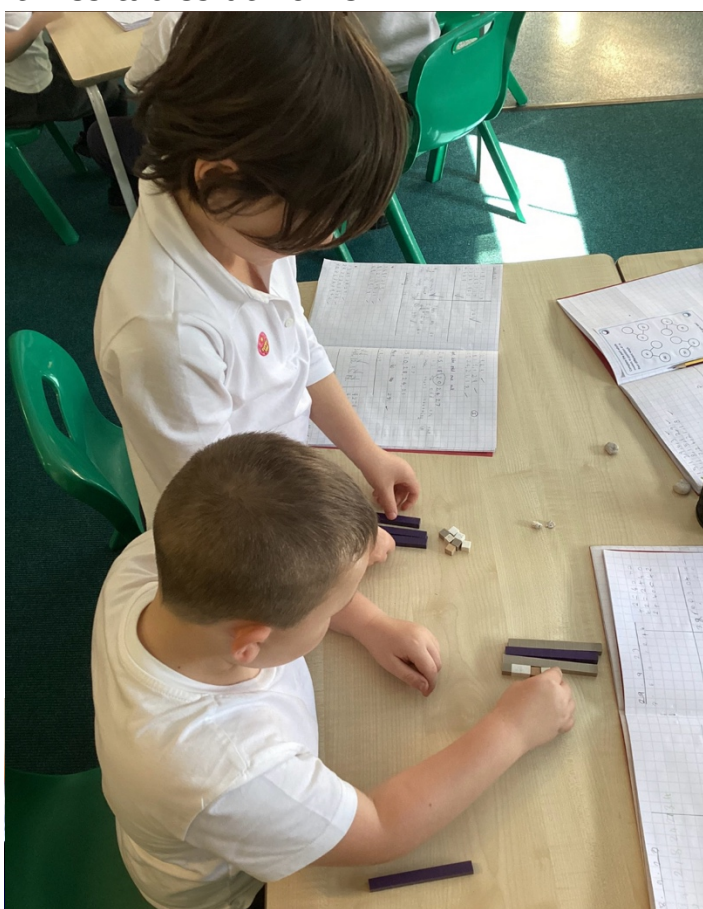
10th October - World Mental Health day - we will celebrate in school. [Children can come dressed as a colour to represent a feeling!](#)

17th October [Come and join your child in class for reading from 2:30pm](#)

19th October - School closes for half term at the usual time. Staff training day on 20th.

Mastering Maths!

There is lots of work going on across school to help all our children to master maths. We use concrete resources such as counters and cubes so that the children can 'do' the maths and then we move on to using pictorial representations so that the children can 'see' the maths. We are also working on fluency and helping the children to become fluent in aspects of maths including number bonds and times tables. Your child can practise their maths at home in many ways – one of the best ways is to 'teach' you at home. Please encourage your child to take on the role of the teacher at home! All children should also have a login for TTRS, and we strongly encourage them to practise times tables at home.





Fun Snack Friday

Each Friday, our EYFS team prepare a 'Fun Snack Friday' treat for the children. They do this to introduce them to a variety of foods and to discuss the origin of foods. 'Fun Snack Friday' also promotes a cultural awareness amongst the children. This half term, the focus in EYFS is on the rugby world cup and so the children are trying foods traditional to the countries that are competing – this week it was France and the children made and tasted genoise sponge. As always, the biggest child in school (Mark) also enjoyed snack time and even Mrs Eastwood got in on the action!



Winter is coming!

As the winter weather is fast approaching, please make sure that your child comes to school each day with a waterproof coat. Please also take the time to label all clothing – we can only return it when it is named!

Culture Day - Italy!

On Thursday 5th October, we will be having a culture day at school and will be focusing on an Italian theme! Our catering team are supporting the event and the menu for lunch is full of Italian favourites – who doesn't love pizza and gelato?! If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like to have a school dinner, this is no problem! Please just let the school office know!

Open Afternoon

On 17th October (at 2:30pm) we will be having an 'open afternoon' at school, and we are inviting all our parents/carers to join us in the classrooms for a reading session. This is a great opportunity to see the environment in which your child learns as well as playing an active part in their reading journey. We would love to see as many parents/carers as possible so please do save the date and come along!



On Friday, there was a very tragic incident that involved children travelling to Calday Grange Grammar School and West Kirby Grammar School. Our thoughts and prayers are with the loved ones of those who sadly died and with all who were involved in the accident. As a school, we send our love to Calday and West Kirby and we will continue to keep everyone in our thoughts during the difficult days ahead.

Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to our award winners for this week! We know that lots of our children have been ready, respectful and safe and it is always hard for the adults in school to choose just one winner each week! Who will win the award next week?

EYFS

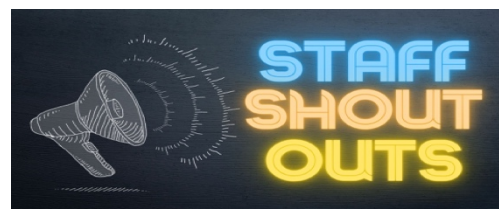
F1 – Isabella L
F2 – Chimebuka

KS1

Y1 – Isabelle
Y1 – Patrick S
Y2 – Lenny M
Y2 – Harrison S

KS2

Y3 – Jaiden O
Y3 – Esmae W
Y4 – Sienna J
Y4 – Alex T
Y5 – Jawdan F
Y5 – Jessie R
Y6 – Nathan H
Y6 – Jack A
Y5/6 – Alex M



Mrs Hodgson

This week, we'd like to celebrate Mrs Hodgson because she works incredibly hard with our children in EYFS. Thanks for helping our little people to settle in, Mrs Hodgson!

Attendance

Attendance Ladder



Regular school attendance is vital for all children, and we will be working with all parents/carers where there are concerns around attendance levels. We follow Wirral's policy for attendance and our whole school target for all pupils is at least 96% attendance.

We understand that children can be poorly and sometimes absences are unavoidable – if your child is too poorly to come to school, please call the school office before 8:30am.

Please be aware that term time holidays are **not** permitted, and all holidays taken within term time will be subject to a fine – this is in line with Wirral's policy.