



Our Learning Highlights

This half term, the **Foundation Stage** children have focussed on change and supporting children with upcoming transitions. We have also spent time consolidating all aspects of learning, strengthening skills and knowledge in preparation for Year One. The children have also learnt about the importance of keeping themselves safe, focussing on sun safety and stranger danger. It's been a busy end to a fantastic year. Well done Pipits and Wagtails children!



Year 1 and 2 have thoroughly enjoyed their learning during the last half-term. In Geography, we have been exploring our local area, discussing the features of Somerton and the different style of houses we have in our town. Year 2 have expanded their learning further by exploring and creating a range of maps in art. They have created collages and practised their printing skills. Year 1 have been exploring weaving. They have developed their plaiting and weaving skills and have created art using scraps of fabric. In Science, Year 1 and 2 have both been looking at animals including humans. Part of this focused-on exercise, staying healthy and how to look after our teeth. Finally, we had great fun recapping our dinosaur unit through the brilliant dinosaur workshop!



Year 3 and 4 children have been exploring volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis and tornadoes. We have looked at how volcanoes are formed, how earthquakes and subsequent tsunamis occur and the destruction that is created when these events happen. We have used globes, atlases and maps to see where the key volcano and earthquake areas are on our planet and we have linked much of our writing with this geography theme in various non-fiction genres this term.



Year 5 and 6 classes have learnt about volcanoes and earthquakes in geography and the destruction that they cause. We looked at how communities come together after natural disasters. The children have been playing rounders, cricket and some have taken part in school house tournaments. In DT the children designed and built bridges in teams, demonstrating their cooperative skills. We said goodbye to the Year 6 children and wish them luck as they begin their new school adventure.



Have a lovely summer holiday everyone!

King Ina's Got Talent

A huge well done to all the children who took part in the Talent Show the week before last. We were thoroughly entertained by children's varied skills when they took to the stage to showcase their talents. Well done also goes to the Year 6 production team who coordinated the event behind the scenes.



Staffing Update

We said goodbye to Mrs Elaine Cox at the end of this term. Mrs Cox has been a member of our support staff for a number of years and will be missed by staff and pupils alike.

Good luck Mrs Cox.

Outdoor Area Development Update

We have appointed two **Forest School leaders**, Mrs Goodwin and Miss Kelleher, to run our new provision in September. We are currently in the process of planning, timetabling and setting up the provision on our school field. We will keep you informed of progress with this exciting new venture.



We had a really successful **community morning** at the start of June when a number of families came together to help weed our raised flowerbeds. We are now awaiting a huge delivery of compost to fill the flowerbeds.

We will be having another community morning on **Saturday 7th September from 9.30am—12.00pm**, to distribute the compost between the beds and to complete other jobs in the outdoor area. If you have a wheelbarrow and are willing to lend a hand, we would be grateful for your help. Bacon rolls, tea and coffee will be provided for all helpers!

Please email us at office@kingina.co.uk to let us know that you can help on 7th September.



Teachrex

A huge thank you to the PTFA for funding the brilliant dinosaur workshops last week! The children absolutely loved the experience and were not at all phased by a T-rex wandering around their hall and munching on their teachers!

Summer Fayre

Those of you who came along to the summer fayre will know what a successful event it was. Thank you to the PTFA for their hard work organizing such a great event.

Summer Reading Challenge 2024

This year's Summer Reading Challenge has now begun with the theme this year of **Marvellous Makers**. You can sign up and take part at your local library. We are inviting the children to bring in their certificate and medal from Monday 9th September to Friday 13th September 2024. There will be a celebration assembly on Friday 13th September where these certificates will be presented to celebrate the success of the Summer Reading

Roald Dahl Day 2024

On **Friday 13th September 2024** we will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day. This is a national event which celebrates and remembers the birth of one of Britain's greatest children's authors. To mark the occasion and to promote Reading for Pleasure, the children and staff are invited to dress up as a Roald Dahl character. During the day the children will take part in activities based on a Roald Dahl text—see Mrs Wills' 'Reading for Pleasure' letter for more details about costume ideas.