



Little Phoenix



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Mrs Speight's message ...

The children have had a thought provoking time learning about Remembrance Day. Many thanks to Major Robson for coming in to talk with the pupils about this extremely important day in our calendar. As ever, Major Robson pitched her assembly at a perfect level so that her message was clear and the children were respectful and responsive to her words. Reception and Year 1 children have thoroughly enjoyed their parents coming in to school for the 'Phonics Stay and Play' sessions. I do hope that these opportunities were beneficial and that you have a better understanding of how we teach phonics. The teaching of phonics is just one of the essential components of reading and by attending these sessions, you will be more confident in both segmenting and blending when reading with your child. As always, if you have any further questions about reading or indeed any subject, please do not hesitate to ask your child's Form Teacher. Time is flying by and I have been very impressed with how quickly the children are learning the many nativity songs. I often hear them humming or singing as they walk around Pre-Prep. Don't forget the Christmas Craft Fair next Saturday in the Senior School, I've heard that a man in a red suit will be attending!

Joanne Speight



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Poppies

In Year 2 we have been learning about Poppies and their significance in remembering those soldiers who gave their lives during the wars. On Thursday we had an assembly from Major Robson who asked us to recount a time when we had been brave. There were many different reasons for which we were commended. Major Robson then told us a series of inspiring stories about people from the armed services who have been awarded top honours for being brave by saving their comrades' lives during the most dangerous circumstances.



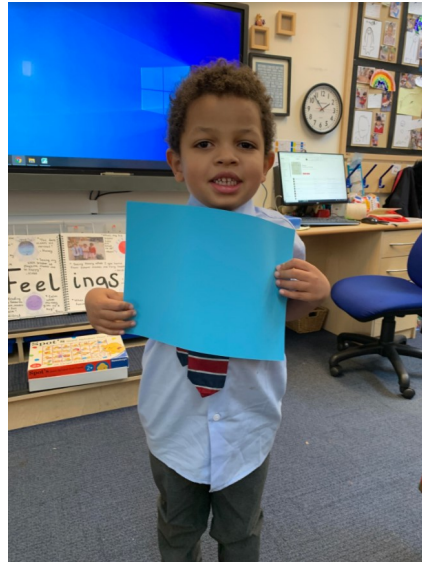
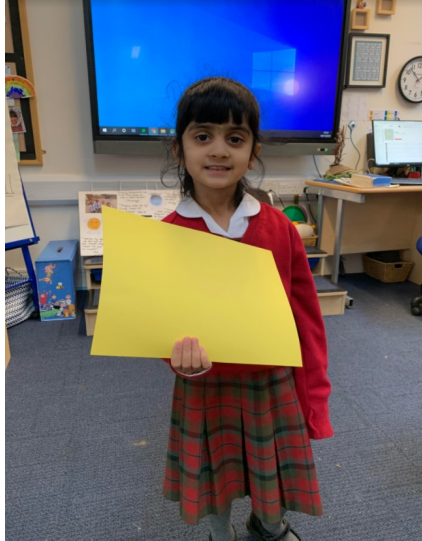
Seed Investigation

The Year One children have continued to build their super scientific skills. Inspired by our new book 'Pumpkin Soup', the children were tasked with investigating and sorting seeds from a variety of fruit and vegetables. With careful use of tweezers and magnifying glasses they were able to sort the seeds according to size and shape. As always the investigation table was surrounded by children asking questions and wondering why.



Fantastic French

After becoming experts at colour mixing during continuous provision, the children in Reception have been challenging themselves to learn the names of the colours during their French lessons! As well as learning a new song and playing a colour game, the children enjoyed a competitive game of Lotto. Parfait!



Autumn Leaves

In Nursery, we have been making the most of the lovely autumn weather. There have been many activities available to the children outside as usual. However, their favourite activity was to sweep up leaves into big piles and jump in to them! When they threw the leaves above their heads, the children were fascinated by watching them fall back to the ground. I wonder whether there will be more leaves to play with next week?





Holiday School

Christmas 2021

Monday 20th December — Wednesday
22nd December

Easter 2022

Monday 4th April — Friday 8th April

Summer 2022

Monday 18th July — Friday 5th August



New Staff



A very warm welcome to Miss Naledi Nkabinde who joins us as a curriculum and teaching assistant in Reception. We look forward to working with Naledi and wish her all the very best as she settles in to our school community.

YARM SCHOOL'S

Christmas

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