

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Year 1

One Elm have been immersing themselves in their new topic- Dinosaurs. In literacy, we worked collaboratively to collect and record lots of interesting information about when they were alive, what they ate and what they looked like?



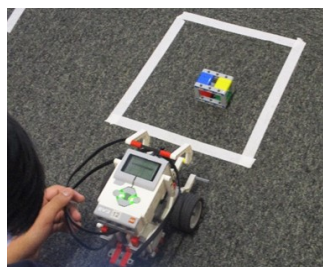
We have also been enjoying geography lessons, and have used our knowledge of the continents

and an atlas to map where various dinosaurs once lived?



Computing

6 Iroko enjoyed a day at Camden's City Learning Centre, where they used Lego Mindstorm to create sequences: a simple pause and go sequence, then adding a turn to create a circular path around an obstacle. They were also able to use a motion sensor to avoid collisions and a colour sensor to keep the robot within a rectangle. It was a fascinating day and the children learned a whole host of coding kills.



Year 3

Trip to the British Museum



Year 3 visited the British Museum in support of their topic learning about the Ancient Egyptians. The children listened to a talk by an expert on mummies, who shared many interesting facts about the mummification process and taught everyone what mummies and raisins have in common! Year 3 then visited the Egyptian galleries where they got to see all sorts of different Egyptian mummies and artefacts. The children really enjoyed their visit and were very excited to see the mummies we have been learning about in real life.



Year 2

In Year 2 we have been investigating the properties of different materials. We took the different materials and saw if we could stretch, squash and bend them. We also carefully completed a table to record our results.



Certificates of Achievement

Well done to our most recent certificate winners who were nominated for achieving well in their learning or behaviour. These children will be presented with their certificates in assembly:

Year 1: Nasrin Ahmed, Archie Allen, Nasra Ahmed.

Year 2: Hafizur Rahman, Adiba Rashid.

Year 3: Shaima Yusuf, Eilyas Ahmed, Omer Ibrahim, Zeinab Ahmed.

Year 4: Nadir El-Koomachi, Jannah Miah.

Year 5: Salim Mohammed, Abdulahi Mudey, Alfie Ndreu, Samira Patwary.

Year 6: Mohammed Buri, Labiba Choudhury, Ameer Fennane, Shihab Suleman.



Term Dates

MAKE SURE ALL HOLIDAYS OR JOURNEYS ABROAD ARE BOOKED IN SCHOOL HOLIDAY TIME. HOLIDAY LEAVE DURING TERM TIME WILL **NOT** BE GRANTED.
2019 – 2020 Academic Year

SPRING TERM 2020

Half Term	Mon 17 th to Fri 21 st Feb
Children return	Monday 24 th February
Last day of term	Friday 3 rd April 2019

SUMMER TERM 2020

Staff INSET Day	Monday 20 th April
Start of Term for Children	Tuesday 21 st April
May Day Bank Holiday	Friday 8 th May
Half Term	Mon 25 th to Fri 29 th May
Last day of term	Tuesday 21 st July

Toilet twinning

With both Easter and Ramadan being so close together on the calendar this year, the Parents' Association have decided to run a fundraising event to help children in poverty around the world. They have suggested raising money for the toilet twinning charity; See link for more information; <https://www.toilettwinning.org/group/schools/> 2.3 billion people in the world don't have a toilet because they cannot afford to build one, so millions of children fall sick, miss school, and as a result fail their exams. Can you imagine what it would be like if you didn't have a toilet? Twinning toilets is a great way to have fun, explore key curriculum areas and encourage children to see themselves as global citizens as well as raise money to help fund building a toilet projects.

On 27th March 2020 we will be at holding a 'Blue for the Loo' non uniform day and the Parents' Association will be organising a 'Soggy Bottoms' bake sale. Watch this space for further information about the day!

Gardening

Year 2 worked with Mr Smith our school gardener to investigate garlic and onions.

We pulled apart the layers and observed their structure. Then we planted some garlic - we can't wait to see how it grows!



Best Attendance for the last week:

W/C : Monday 20th January

1 Beech 100%

5 Birch 99%



Well done everyone!

Keep up the good work!

School Dinners

Please remember that meal preferences cannot be changed from school dinner to packed lunch or packed lunch to school dinner during a week or a half term. The exception to this is if you have recently changed to a free school meal. Anyone making a 'free school meals' application please speak to Ms Meah the School's Business Manager. Once your application has been processed and agreed your child's meal choice change will be authorised by her.

Packed Lunches

Can we please ask parents who are providing a packed lunch for their child to ensure that vegetables and fruit are included each day. We are encouraging all children to eat more fruit and vegetables- so please remember to pack extra fruit or finger vegetables for playtimes.

