

# POULTON LANCELYN PRIMARY



July 2019



Summer Term



## FOUNDATION STAGE NEWSLETTER

As we approach the end of term, it is hard to believe we are now at the end of your child's first year at Poulton Lancelyn School. The children have fully embraced F2 and enjoyed their learning experiences. It has been lovely to watch the children develop and grow from September to July, seeing each and every child flourish individually in their own achievements.

Miss Haworth (Assistant Headteacher)

**The F2 team would like to thank you all for your support over this year and we all wish you a lovely summer holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on September 4<sup>th</sup> 2019, excited about Year 1 and ready for their next stage of learning.**

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July the F2 and Year 6 children had a very special day together. The children were very excited to participate in a number of activities with their big friends. The children played team games and solved problems together, used the parachute and completed orienteering activities. To top off the day the children all made a lovely keepsake craft to remember their big and little friends. At the end of a fun filled day we all enjoyed a lolly ice.



We have had a wonderful experience of bugs with Chester Zoo Safari Rangers. The children played games and learnt all about mini-beasts.



We have also watched and hatched our very own ducks, which was very exciting especially watching them swim and paddle in the water.



### STEM Science

We had a fabulous science week learning all about bubbles the children loved the investigation to see if they could make a different shaped bubble with their homemade wands. They also investigated which material could catch a bubble. Thank you for coming to look at our work.



In Maths we have been applying our number skills to solve problems. We have been learning to use a number line to support our counting on and back skills when adding and taking away. The children have also been continuing counting on and back in their heads to solve calculations. We have been counting in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. Thank you for continuing to practise at home. Over the holidays try some activities on the internet – [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk), [www.cbeebies.co.uk](http://www.cbeebies.co.uk) have lots of games to play that practise their Maths and Literacy skills.

We have been reading lots of books about pirates and we set up a kidnap of Benny and Rosie the dog. The children had a wonderful time writing stories, wanted posters and character descriptions to solve the pirate clues. The children loved our pirate day and we had lots of singing and dancing. We enjoyed reading The Troll and Captain Wag.



In the investigation area the children have been learning about mini-beasts and lifecycles and we had some furry friends this term to look after. We had caterpillars and watched them grow into butterflies which supported our transition work leaving F2 and moving forward into Year 1.



We read the hungry caterpillar and wrote our own food diary for the week. We also read 'What the Ladybird Heard' and 'Jaspers Beanstalk'. We have all planted our own beans, which you have now taken home. Can you measure them at home over the summer? Let me know if you find any giants at the top of your beanstalk!

We read a book this year called 'Yucky Worms' which helped to teach us all about worm facts. The children became 'Wormologists' and helped to make a wormery which they have enjoyed watching to learn more about worms. Ask the children if they still think worms are Yucky! You will be surprised!

In our garden area we have been growing our own vegetables and have enjoyed eating them during snack time – we have grown peas, tomatoes and carrots and we have lots of beautiful flowers in our lovely garden area the children have taken great delight in watering and looking after this area.

We painted mini-beasts onto stones and used them to decorate our garden area.



# Have a lovely summer holiday!