

# ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS YEAR 6

Thursday 17th November



## WHAT A MAGNIFICENT HALF TERM IN YEAR 6!

After finishing four operations in Mathematics, we have been busy working on Fractions including multiplying and dividing fractions and finding fractions of amounts. Each day, we have been working hard on reasoning and problem solving and we are looking forward to beginning our new topic in November - Measurement: Converting units.

In English Reading, we enjoyed reading our class story about Annie Oakley - The Catapult Kid. In this story, we dived into the world of Lizard's Lick and discussed all things cowboys and wild west! In English writing, we focused on 'Overcoming a Monster Story' with Harry Potter by J.K Rowling as our stimulus. We used our sorting hat to organize us into our houses for many group activities.

In Humanities, we began our Mayan Inquiry which has helped us develop many skills such as: teamwork, research, critical thinking, communication and much more! In our groups, we will continue to work hard to produce our end product which is a news report about our chosen topic. We cannot wait to show off our final pieces! In Science, we continued our topic of Animals, Humans and their habitats with a focus on food chains and food webs before studying micro-organisms. Successfully, we carried out a scientific experiment, using the scientific method, to investigate how Mould grows on bread. We used bread, zip-lock bags, soil and bread to help and our results were amazing!



Art has been exciting with the FIFA World Cup competition! We learned two new skills - shading (using oil pastels) and cross-hatching (a shading technique using black pen) to create the Doha Skyline on black paper with the world cup trophy hidden as one of the buildings. Well done to Nadine from 6 Silver who was our competition winner. Now, we are focusing on creating three-dimensional (3D) drawings and collage work. Well done, Year Six!

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## NOTES FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



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### WHAT A FANTASTIC FIRST TERM OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!

If the first half of Term 1 was jam packed full of fun learning opportunities, then the second half of the term can only be described as being bursting with excitement and outstanding learning.

Hopefully you have noticed the newsletter name change. This was the result of a competition between the classes. Each class came up with multiple suggestions for a newsletter name before democratically voting for their favourite. Each classes' suggestion was then added to a voting form and pupils got to vote for their favourite name from all the fantastic entries. In the end they chose Isaac and the Apple News which was suggested by Year 5 Turquoise. Congratulations to Year 5 Turquoise and well done to all the other classes for their imaginative newsletter names.

This half term our playground has taken on a new look at break times. There is now a variety of different break time activity zones set up for KS1 and KS2. Year 1 and 2 pupils have enjoyed solving our giant puzzle as well as trying to correctly identify different countries, continents and ocean on our world map. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils have gathered together in our Pokémon card trading zone to try and 'catch them all'. The basketball hoops have also proved popular for KS2 pupils and we look forward to seeing improved skills being used in PE lessons and Mr McGrath and Mr Kennedy's after school club next term.



This half term we have celebrated the values of citizenship, personal accountability, honesty and individual liberty. We held our second house competition which saw pupils complete a FIFA World Cup themed STEM challenge as part of our World Cup celebration week.

Thank you for all your support and cooperation this term. We wish you safe travels if you are flying out of Doha for the break or if you are staying, we hope you enjoy the World Cup festivities.

#### Important Dates:

Monday 2nd January - First day of Term 2

Sunday 8th January - Book Week

Monday 9th January - After-school clubs begin

Sunday 15th January - Arabic Week

Sunday 22nd January - International Week

Tuesday 14th February - National Sports Day (school closed)

Tuesday 21st February - After-school clubs end

Thursday 9th March - End of Term 2

#### TOP OF THE CLASS!

The top 3 classes with the best attendance % this half term are.....

- 1) 3 Gold - 97.7%
- 2) 4 Silver - 96.2%
- 3) 4 Gold - 95.5%

Well done on your super attendance.

#### TOP OF THE CLASS!

The top 3 classes with the best attendance % the whole term are.....

- 1) 3 Gold - 96.8%
- 2) 4 Silver - 96.7%
- 3) 2 Bronze - 94.5%

Well done on your super attendance.