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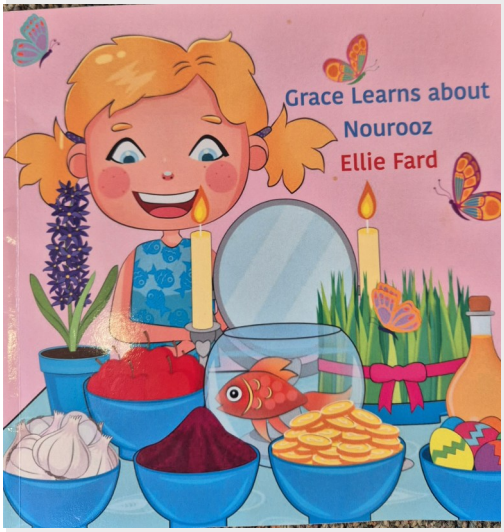

Sharing Our Cultures

We are blessed in Year 1 with the most wonderful parents who are always willing to come in and share their knowledge with the children.

Yesterday we had Arian's mum, Saedeh and Alyzah's mum, Lesley, talk to the entire year 1 group about the celebration of Nowruz. We learnt all about the special celebration table which needs to have 7 items on it. Each item has to start with the 'S' in Persian. We also learnt that the celebration lasts 13 days and on the 13th day families spend the day outside in nature. The children really enjoyed the book read to them and the video explaining the special celebration.

Thank you again for coming in and sharing your culture with us all.

Love

The Year Ones

Science Week in Year 4

Year 4 had a very busy Science Week. We started the week by testing gravity with our rocket mice. We found out that the bigger the bottle the higher the mouse flew. However, it did depend on how much energy we put into the rocket. We also had a fantastic workshop all about electricity. We learnt about static electricity and using this made our balloons stick to the wall and even started to make paper float! *Miss Pareathamby*

Year Group Blogs

We're thrilled to share with you all that our pupils have started writing their own year group blogs, and we update them every week! These blogs offer a glimpse into the exciting stuff going on at Frith Manor every week!

To read the latest posts, simply visit Children > Year Group Pages > Year Group Blog on our website. We can't wait for you to explore the exciting updates and insights our students are sharing!

Happy Reading!

Miss White

Late Collection

If you know you're going to be late collecting your child, please contact SOTO so they can attend the after-school club.

If you are unexpectedly delayed (eg your bus has been redirected/delayed) please call the office as soon as possible so we know the reason for your lateness. It can be upsetting for the children when they are collected late.

Collection times are as follows:

Years 1 and 2—3.15pm

Years 3 to 6—3.20pm

School Nurse

On Thursday 3rd April, the school nurse will be at the headteacher coffee morning, available to talk to parents about any questions or concerns they have regarding their children's development.

From April 3rd there will be monthly 1:1 drop-in sessions for those who may want support for general health concerns about their child such as: minor illnesses, abdominal pains, coughs/colds affecting school attendance, healthy weight management, poorly controlled asthma, bedwetting/constipation, sleeping, school readiness/hand washing. Parents can refer themselves or it can be done via the school. Please contact the Senco via the school office for details.

Primary Mathematics Challenge Bonus Round

In November, 31 keen mathematicians from Year 5 and 6 took part in the Primary Mathematics Challenge organised by The Mathematical Association. Three children from Frith Manor - Mark Y6, Bella Y6 and Mihika Y5 - qualified to take part in the bonus round after achieving high scores.

The Bonus Round aims to stretch children's mathematical abilities even further. Mark, Bella and Mihika all did an amazing job, not only participating in the Bonus Round but earning certificates

Silver certificate winner - Bella Y6 and Mark Y6

Bronze certificate winner - Mihika Y5

The Junior Maths Challenge - aimed at Y3/4 children - is coming up in June and we already have lots of interest from children who want to take part and put their problem-solving abilities to the test.

Mrs Ellis

Nowruz

By Farangis, 6 Fuchsia

Today I gave a presentation about Persian new year, called Nowruz. This is a time when most Persian people celebrate new year with their family and friends. We do lots of things before Nowruz. One of the things is spring cleaning. We make sure everything is renewed and refreshed, not old and dirty. During the day we have to wake up at a certain time and at that time we gather round as a family , eat some food and discuss things, such as what we're thankful for. I help my mum make something called haft mewa. This is basically seven fruits, it's a fruit bowl (like sweet water with fruit and nuts inside). We make a type of pudding called samanu, which is very difficult to make. In Afghanistan we normally have a big pot of it. Some people like it, some don't. Personally, I don't mind it but I can't have too much of it. We prepare a table and everything on it starts with an "S" - such as sabzeh (wheat), samanu (wheat germ pudding), senjed (oleaster), serkeh (vinegar), seeb (garlic), and somagh (sumac). On the day itself we go to a park with our friends and family. We take the sabzeh, knot it and throw it into the water and make a wish.

Thank you to parents, Lesley and Saae, for creating our Nowruz display in the foyer

Dates for the Diary

March

Weds 26th—Year 6 trip to London Zoo

Thurs 27th—Mint class assembly; NFL trip to Whitefield School

Fri 28th—Eco Refill shop; cake sale

Mon 31st—Y2 trip to RAF Museum

April

Tues 1st and Thurs 3rd —Parent consultations years 1-6

Weds 2nd—table top sale for Y6 yearbook

Thurs 3rd—school nurse at headteacher coffee morning

Fri 4th—end of term

Tues 22nd—return to school

Weds 30th—Y1 trip to Hertfordshire Zoo

May

Thurs 1st—secondary transfer meeting

Mon 12th—Thurs 15th—Key Stage 2 SATs

Weds 14th—Y5 Matilda theatre trip

Thurs 15th—Y4 Cyan Environmental Centre trip

Mon 19th to Weds 21st—Y6 school journey

Weds 21st —Y4 Lagoon Environmental Centre trip

Fri 23rd —school closed to children for staff professional development day

Mon 26th—Fri 30th—Half term

Please note—there may be dates added to this list. We will keep you updated.

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A Big Thank You to Our PTA!

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful PTA for their generous support in funding a range of exciting events and interventions that are enriching the lives of children across Frith Manor School.

In February, we invited in The Happy Puzzle Company for an inspiring day of puzzle workshops. Every class from Reception to Year 6 took part in team challenges designed to develop collaborative learning, perseverance, and problem-solving. The sessions were full of smiles and 'aha!' moments, with one pupil, Tre, simply summing it up with, "That was fun!", while Ralph gave it a firm 10/10!

Thanks to the PTA, our Year 5 children will also have the incredible opportunity to see Matilda the Musical at the Cambridge Theatre in London's West End. This unforgettable trip has been subsidised to make it more affordable for families. Staff and pupils alike are buzzing with excitement to see Roald Dahl's much-loved story brought to life on stage.

In addition, the PTA has funded 67 year-long subscriptions to Nessy Reading and Spelling, a fantastic online program supporting children in Years 2 to 6 both at school and at home. Amelia told us, "I love Nessy!" and Andre added, "Nessy makes you learn." What better endorsement could we ask for?

Ramadan and Eid

Thank you to Aicha, mum of Ayman (Lagoon) and Ismael (Sapphire) for coming in and giving a presentation to the key stage 2 children about Ramadan and Eid.

Headteacher Coffee Mornings—All Welcome

April: Thurs 3rd (with school nurse), Weds 23rd

May: Fri 2nd, Thurs 8th, Mon 19th

ODD JOBS

Gardening Skills needed!

We need your help! Could you (or anyone you know) help tidy up our pond area? If you have a few hours to spare, please let the school office know.

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Each half term, we hold a Key Stage 2 Achievement Assembly, celebrating KS2's achievements in Accelerated Reader, Mathletics and Times Tables Rock Stars. Here is a summary of some of the achievements:

Accelerated Reader - Well done to Adam Y6, Ammar Y6, Matan Y4, Aria Y6, Amaya Y4, Yuki Y6 who have all been crowned as Reading Millionaires for reading and successfully quizzing on over **1 million words** since the start of the school year - a fantastic achievement.

Mathletics - Last assembly, we had our very first mathematician - Albert Y4 - reach **Platinum level.** He has now been joined by Dhruvi Y5, Helen Y5, Kazuki Y4, Ilia Y4, Eric Y3, Emanuel Y3, Emily Y3, Hannah Y3, David Y3, Miren Y3, Hannah Y4, Amazingly, 10 of these children have also now advanced on to the Emerald level. This puts them within the top percentile of the thousands of children who take part in Mathletics across the UK!

TTRS - In February, Year 3 took part in their second TTRS Battle of the Bands. Not only did Mint continue their winning streak but they secured an impressive victory, earning more than double the amount of points than Olive class! I wonder whether Olive class will come back fighting in the next battle?

Last week, Year 5 went to battle and it was a close fight - but it was Sapphire class who came out victorious.

New certificates to work for - All children are now able to earn TTRS certificates for turning their heatmap green by consistently answering all multiplication facts up to 12x12 correctly in 4 seconds or less. As you can see, lots of children have 'Gone Green' already:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Mint – 8 Olive - 3	Cyan – 6 Lagoon - 16	Lapis – 20 Sapphire - 14	Amethyst – 25 Fuchsia - 17

You can see all of the achievements from the assembly on the school website: Children // Accelerated Reader, Mathletics and TTRS achievements.

Our next achievement assembly will be on the 28th April.

Mrs Ellis

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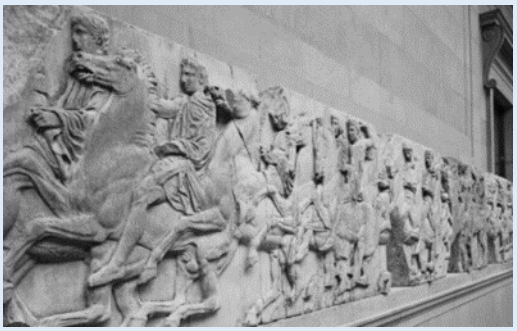
Year 5 trip to The British Museum



On Thursday 20th March Year 5 visited The British Museum to see in real life what we had been learning about in our history topic – The Greeks.

We went to see the famous Elgin Marbles and learnt so much more by doing a self-guided tour on a tablet. It was fun to test our knowledge and to have a go at virtually colouring some of the friezes whilst learning about Greek life and achievements and their influence on the Western world.

We then went upstairs to explore the lives of the ancient Greeks through objects used in everyday life. We saw a range of tools, equipment, toys, vases and pottery and other artefacts. Some children noticed the cabinet displaying our very own Greek gods – Athena, Heracles, Apollo and Demeter. We couldn't find Hermes though! We also found busts of the famous philosophers we learnt about in school.

We had a great day! Thank you to all the parents who came with us and helped make the trip so enjoyable.

The Year 5 team

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