

# Fairisle Infant and Nursery Schools children's newsletter

# Spring 2024 Newsletter 4

# A message from the Headteacher



I cannot quite believe that we have reached the end of another half term! It has been so lovely to see the amazing progress that our children are making. This week was Children's Mental Health Week 5-11<sup>th</sup> February with the theme 'My Voice Matters'. Mental Health is something we all have. By equipping our children with the tools needed to express themselves we will together empower them all to look after their mental health and wellbeing as they grow. Here is what some of the children have shared: 'I am proud to be me – I am the only me there is.' 'I know that I can talk to my adults.'

'I feel not good sometimes and that is ok.' 'I breathe in and out slowly when I am worried.' 'I calm myself down by caring for my pet.' 'I go to the quiet space in the classroom when I need to think.' 'I like to run and play. It makes me feel good inside.'

Have a restful, safe and fun half term everyone!

Miss Owens, Headteacher





### Welcomes and waves goodbye...

You may have noticed a few new faces about school this half term. We have had to say goodbye to Miss Anita as, following successfully completing her degree, she is moving on to broaden her experience. We hope she continues to grow and learn and we thank her for all she did during her time at Fairisle. As Miss Anita goes we welcome Miss Susie and Mrs Coulson to our inclusion team. We also

welcome Miss Galton as a Teaching Assistant to Year 1. It almost seems impossible to believe but a year has passed since Mrs James went on maternity so we are very lucky to be welcoming her back part time after the half term. She will be working alongside Mrs Carpenter to lead Sunshine nursery. Sadly we say goodbye to Mrs. Thorne who has been leading Sunshine nursery part time in Mrs James absence. We would like to say an enormous thank you for all of her hard work and wish her the best in the future.

## **Coffee morning**

We are pleased to invite parents and carers to a SEND coffee morning on Wednesday 6th March at 8.45am in The Hub. If you have a child with special educational needs, an IEP, EHCP or you would welcome the opportunity to come and talk to other parents about these areas, we would love to see you. Miss Darke (SENDCo) and Mrs Granger (ELSA) will also attend this coffee morning, if you would like to come and chat with them or have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!















#### **Rainbow Room**

It's been a really busy half term in Rainbow Nursery. We have been really engrossed in some key texts. We have been absorbed by the stories, 'Going on a Beat Hunt,' 'Owl Babies,' and 'Titch.' We have learnt so many new things as we have engaged with the books such as prepositions, feelings and emotions and many aspects of maths, such as size, weight and length. Some of us have been able to learn the refrains to the stories and we have been able to retell them ourselves! The children have also engaged in activities based around the stories. We have sorted items by size, weight and length.



#### **Sunshine Room**



This Term in Sunshine Nursery we welcomed new children into our Nursery and we made new friends. We listened to different stories about friends and how we can make good friends.

Also, we enjoyed listening to the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three bears 'and doing fun activities for example: in Maths we compared objects 'big bed- small bed', 'hot porridge – cold porridge'. In Literacy we did role play and acted out the story with the help of our teachers.

We went for a walk around our school to explore the changes during the cold weather and our teachers made sure we were wrapped up warm.

#### Year R

Year R has been learning about the local area and investigated the differences between Lordshill and the New Forest. Here is some of the things the children wanted to share about what they had learnt: Rishi - 'The horses cross the road, people should drive slowly so they don't run over them. Lordshill has bigger roads and the new forest has narrow roads. There are animals in the new forest.'

Hunter - "There are cottages and tree houses because there's lots of trees. You will see squirrels and ponies. It's not like Lordshill, it's a forest but there are some things to do there."

Maisie - Mae "A forest has lots of trees. There are horses there."



# Year 1



Year 1 have been learning about real and fictional superheroes. We have been reading 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet. We really enjoyed making our own Supertato characters and wrote instructions for how to do this. We wrote sentences about Evil Pea and Supertato and learned how to use 'and' to join words or ideas.

Rosie-Mai – "I love Supertato because he helps people and I like helping people." Abdullah – "I liked making the Supertato cape because we had to tape it on." In History we have been learning about real life nurses Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We chose our own real life superheroes to find out and write facts about in Computing.

We ended our unit with a Superhero day where we all got to dress up, do superhero arts and crafts, and had a very special P.E. session where we had to work as a team.

Fletcher - "I liked Spiderman P.E. I liked playing the games."

#### Voor 2



Last week, Y2 visited Tudor House to learn more about life during the Great Fire of London. We handled artefacts, sketched parts of the building and explored the different rooms. It was great fun! We really loved being in the classroom and using the feeling boxes to guess what was inside!

'The houses were made of wood and they were close together and burned easily. We have made our own houses out of cardboard and we are going to burn them.' Laura and Angel.

We found it exciting to see how the kitchens would have looked back in 1666. We also loved dressing up as Samuel Pepys, baker's maid and the night watcher. This was really exciting! Robins Class

"My favourite bit was when we went in the garden because we learned new things about the Great Fire of London."-Mila

"Part of the garden was 900 years old!" - Jack













