



# Fairisle Infant and Nursery Schools children's newsletter



## Spring 2024 Newsletter 5



### **A message from the Headteacher**

Here at Fairisle Infant and Nursery School we believe that together we can change the world - not just one day but now! Children who take part in social action experience increased identification with positive values such as open-mindedness, compassion, and hope, helping them stand out from the crowd and become lifelong leaders and potential to be the best they can be! Our SuperKind Social Impact School Award launched this term and it has been fantastic for me to start to have discussions with our children about what is important to them - here is what they have shared with me so far:

'I am going to go out with my Mum and pick up litter to make our world a better safer place for everyone'

'I would like to have a cake sale to raise money for the homeless.'

'I have been using my scooter everyday to come to school to be healthy and I feel better when I do this.'

Well done to Foxes, Kingfishers and Hedgehogs who completed the most journeys to school over the last ten days in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel Event - by walking, scooting or cycling to school! Keep the good habits up!

Finally, we are very excited to be taking part in 'Lighting the South Event' - decorating our very own ceramic lighthouse that will be part of a trail of lighthouses around Southampton and raising money for Southampton Children's Hospital.



'You are never too small to make a difference.'

**Miss Owens, Headteacher**



### **Can you help?**

Spring is finally here and Mrs Granger has been busy tidying up our Fairisle garden ready to get growing. We would love to develop our garden further and would welcome any donations you may have in the shape of plants, seeds, pots, gardening tools for children, garden decorations etc. If you think you may be able to help please let Mrs Granger or our admin team know. Thank you.





### Caterpillar Room

The children in the Caterpillar Room have been working on Stage 1 and 2 of Attention Autism (Bucket Time). They have enjoyed looking at light up toys, wind-up toys and things that pop up and even fly! The children are working on concentrating and keeping focus on the Bucket activity and are making really good progress with this. Here are some photographs of Miss Kelly and her amazing Bucket toys in action!

### Rainbow Room

The children in Rainbow Nursery have been learning about the changes of the season. We have visited the garden hub and loved seeing all the daffodils in bloom. We also went on a Spring Walk around the school, spotting all the signs of Spring. We managed to find lots of things such as blossom, budding flowers and seedlings.



### Sunshine Room



'Who's that trip-trapping over my bridge?' - The Three Billy Goats Gruff was just one of the traditional stories we enjoyed reading this half term. The children got involved in creating role-play scenarios using small and big parts to retell stories. We enjoyed our visit to the quad at 'big school' and observed some flowers blooming. We looked in books to find other examples of flowers growing and talked about seasonal changes. Celebrating World Book Day was lots of fun - we dressed up and invited our grown-ups in to share stories with us!

### Year R

Year R has enjoyed the topic 'Once upon a time in a land far far away.' We have explored a range of traditional tales and had access to a variety of activities related with each tale. We have baked a Gingerbread man biscuit and decorated it using icing and raisins, but we have also enjoyed writing recipes and labelling the characters. We have also learnt about Story mountains and enjoyed creating our own. Story mountains help us structuring stories using pictures and words.



Hedgehogs - "I liked the Goldilocks and the three bears. The little bears came out for a walk and then the girl came to their nice house and then she ate all the little porridge. She sat on the baby chair and it broke. Then she went to sleep on the little bed. The bears came in and they were very sad."

Squirrels - "We learnt about the Gingerbread man. The old lady made a gingerbread man and he ran away. Then the fox ate him."

Foxes - "I liked the Gingerbread man, because he was running away. The fox ate him, because he was hungry. He was not kind."

### Year 1

In year 1 this term we have been looking at amazing animals and learning all about giraffes. We have enjoyed learning how to programme the bee bots and creating wonderful self-portraits in Art using different techniques from different artists. The children have explored making moving pictures in DT and challenged themselves to come up with their own designs!



### Year 2



Year 2 have had a fantastic half term learning all about the Titanic. We have heard from lots of parents that they have shared some of these amazing facts with you.

Some of these facts have been: It was built using 3 million rivets and the fourth funnel was fake! We had an amazing visit to The Sea City museum and afterwards the children

shared that their favourite things were, shovelling coal, making Morse code messages and seeing a deckchair from the actual Titanic! The children were really well behaved and were a credit to you. We hope you all enjoyed the art gallery and sharing in their brilliant creative work.

