

Newsletter

Friday 14th March 2025

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting week! We have been celebrating National Science Week in school with lots of science themed lesson, webinars and assemblies. I hope you enjoy looking at the photos of what we have been doing and please use them to talk to your child/ren about what they have learned this week.. We are looking forward to welcoming the National Farmers Union in next week as well, to hear about science in farming.

Both our whole school assemblies were on the theme of science (of course!) and on Monday, some of the children helped me to read a play about Louis Pasteur and how his scientific research has made our lives safer and better. We all agreed that his determination and resilience helped him alongside his access to education.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!



School News



HAPPY EASTER!

Easter Assembly—Invitation for Parents and Carers

On Friday 4th April, we will have an Easter assembly in the school hall at 9am. Reverend Katie is coming to tell us the Easter story and we have some songs to sing together.

We would be delighted if parents and carers would like to join us for this assembly. We would expect the assembly to last for 40 minutes.

Exeter trip payment reminder

We are very excited to be going to Exeter next week to visit the Museum and Cathedral. Please ensure your child is in school for 8:00am as we will be departing at 8.15am prompt. We anticipate returning at 3.30pm.

Romar Sports

Please note that Romar Sports will **NOT** be delivering their after-school club football session next Wednesday due to the late arrival back from Exeter.

Swimming

A reminder that swimming sessions for Class Torridge and Taw, should now be paid . You may still pay on the Arbor portal.

The final payment for Class Bray is due on 25th March.

Curriculum

Science Week



Science Week in Class Bray

To celebrate Science Week, Class Bray have participated in a variety of fun activities linked to the theme of 'Adapt and Change'. Our favourite activities were junk modelling an animal and playing camouflage caterpillars. In junk modelling, the children were asked to pick an environment and create an animal that has had to adapt to that environment; the children had to think about factors such as the temperature, how the animal would drink and even where they would shelter. In our game of camouflage caterpillars, we pretended to be caterpillars that had to hide from the predators and hide our caterpillar string. We then became hungry birds that were hunting the camouflaged caterpillars! The children voted that the green coloured strings were more camouflaged than the brown.

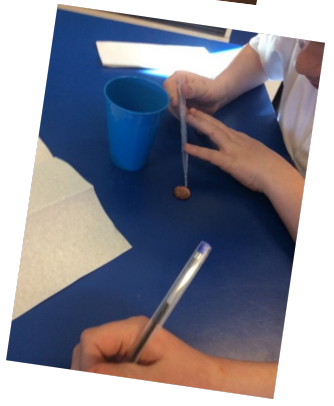
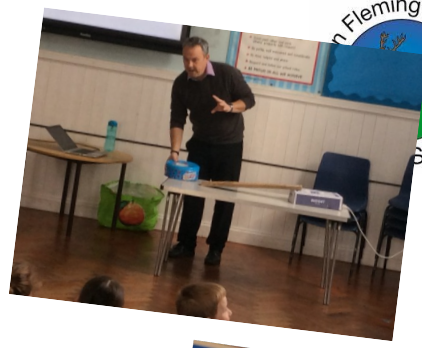


Curriculum News

Science Week



As it was British Science week this week, both Torridge and Taw class undertook a science challenge. The challenge was set to see how many droplets of water they could 'land' onto a penny! Could you get more on the heads or tails side? Or would it not make a difference? The children really enjoyed the challenge with some children managing to use the pipette to place over 100 droplets of water on a penny!



This week we have also participated in a number of online science webinars. Bray class got to learn about Engineering, whilst both Taw and Torridge class participated in webinars on the science of the sun.

On Thursday, Mr Ashton held a scientific assembly focussing on creating and asking scientific questions relating to a problem or experiment. We had some fantastic hypothesis questions along with some very creative answers.

Next week our science discovery continues, as we have the National Farmers Union in school to talk to us about the place of science in farming—a subject of great interest to many of our children and families!



We've had a great Science Week, well done all.



Curriculum News



Pilton Dance Festival



School News



Ventrus Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Please remember: Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone



Diary Dates

17 th March	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 interschool football at Orchard Vale 3.45 to 4.45
19 th March	Taw and Torridge Class visit Royal Albert memorial Museum & Art Gallery, Exeter
24 th March	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 interschool football at Orchard Vale 3.45 to 4.45
31 st March	Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 interschool football at Orchard Vale 3.45 to 4.45
4th April	Easter assembly, parents welcome to attend 9:00am—9:40am
7 th – 21 st April	Easter holidays
22 nd April	Non-Pupil Day
24 th April	Science Fayre in school hall
12 th – 15 th May	KS2 SATs assessments (Year 6)
5 th May	Bank Holiday
21 st May	Wilcombe Wobbler sporting event
26 th May – 30 th May	Half Term
2 nd – 20 th June	Phonics Screening window for assessment (Year 1 pupils)
24 th June	Sports Day weather permitting
30 th June & 1st July	Yr 6 transition Day PCC
2 nd – 6 th June	Multiplication Screening window for assessment (Year 4 pupils)
9 th – 13 th June	Multiplication Screening window for assessment (Year 4 pupils)
8 th July	Reserve Sports Day
16 th July	KS2 performance for invited community members and grandparents
17 th July	KS2 performance for parents/carers afternoon performance and at 5.30pm
22 nd July	Year 6 leaver's assembly for parents/carers of Yr 6 children only
23 rd July	Last day of term

PTA News



The PTA would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Thursday Café.

The total raised was £359.00, please see flyer attached.

Quiz

- A fun Quiz has been organised by Jill to take place in the Village Hall
- on Saturday 15th March. Jill is kindly donating all proceeds to the
- PTA. Please support this event. Please contact Jill on 01598 486145 for more information.