

Shadsworth Infant School Newsletter

Friday 28th June 2024



Education is not optional! There is an expectation that children are in school everyday!



Message from Mrs Crompton



Next Friday it is our whole school 'Transition Day', where children will spend the whole day in their new class, getting to know their new Teacher and Teaching Assistants and their new classrooms,

Year 2 will spend the day up at the Junior school, they should arrive at the Junior school for 9.00am and need to be collected at 2.30pm from the Junior School.

We are going to mix up the current Year 1 cohort. Parents will receive a Parent Mail with details of their new class teacher

Current Class Teacher	Current Class	New Class Teacher	New Class Name
Miss Barnes	RB	Miss Hegarty	1H
Mrs Mason	RM	Mr Jacobs	1J

New Reception children will be joining us for Transition Day too. It will be Nursery Open afternoon for the new Nursery children too. A busy but very enjoyable day!

There is an expectation that children are in school everyday! Here is this week's attendance and lates.

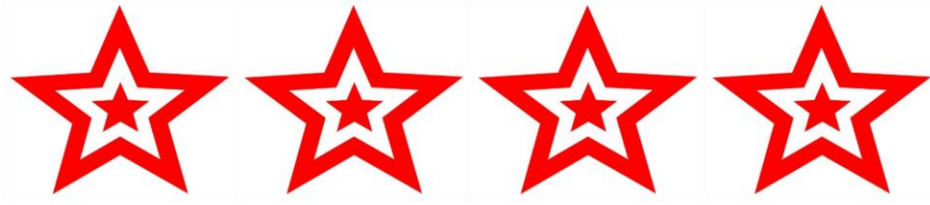
Shadsworth Stars - this week we have said 'well done' to....

This week we said 'Well Done' to



Class	Good Work	Good News
RB	Evie S	Binky P
RM	Lexi D	Summana Z
1J	Anuradha P	Milo D
1W	Claudia H	Hunter H
2H	Riley S-C	Oscar S
2GH	Hattie- Mae P	Euan B

Headteacher Award goes to	Khadeeja D Class 2H
Lunchtime Award goes to	Euan B Class 2GH



Dates for your diary



DAY	TIME	EVENT
Monday 1 st July 2024	2.00pm	EYFS Sports Day weather permitting
Tuesday 2 nd July 2024	2.00pm	KS1 Sports Day weather permitting
Wednesday 3 rd July 2024	During school time 8.45am prompt	Class RB visit to Lytham St Anne's Completed consent form and £7.00 payable to your child's class teacher by Friday 28 th June 2024 Children are to wear suitable clothing and footwear for the day. A sun hat/cap and have sun cream applied to them at home weather permitting. Children will be provided with a packed lunch for the day.
Wednesday 3 rd July 2024	9.00am- 11.30am	Fussy Eating workshop held at Shadsworth Hub the building next to Harbour Chippy
Thursday 4 th July 2024	During school time 8.45am prompt	Class RM visit to Lytham St Anne's Completed consent form and £7.00 payable to your child's class teacher by Friday 28 th June 2024 Children are to wear suitable clothing and footwear for the day. A sun hat/cap and have sun cream applied to them at home weather permitting. Children will be provided with a packed lunch for the day.
Friday 5 th July 2024	During school time	Transition Day - This is a really important day for your child/children.
Friday 5 th July 2024	1.00pm	Nursery Open Day for September starters - Nursery Classroom - Please meet at the Nursery door through the Tarbert Crescent Gate
Monday 8 th July 2024	During School time	Reception Class Vision Screening
Wednesday 10 th July 2024	TBC	Nursery Fun Day in School - letter to parent will follow soon
Thursday 11 th Julu 2024	9.00am	Class 1J Assembly
Friday 12 th July 2024	9.00am	Class RM Assembly
Monday 15 th July 2024	3.20pm	School Reports sent home
Wednesday 17 th July 2024	1.30pm	Year 2 Leavers Festival
Thursday 18 th July 2024	9.00am	Year 2 Leavers Assembly
Friday 19 th July 2024	1.30pm School closes for halfterm	Non-Uniform Day - Please bring £1 - thank you for your continued support
Wednesday 4 th September 2024	8.00am for Breakfast Club 8.35am Soft Start 8.45am for Learning	Year 1's, Year 2's and Rising 3's - School Re-Opens
Wednesday 4 th Thursday & 5th September 2024	Various Times	Nursery Home Visits

Wednesday 4 th and Thursday 5 th September 2024	Various Times	Reception Home Visits
Friday 6 th September 2024	Doors open @ 8.35am	New Reception children start school at 8.45am doors open from 8.35am for a soft start to the day
Friday 6 th September 2024	Various Times	Nursery children staggered starts with all children being in Nursery for Tuesday 10 th September 2024

The Cancer Bank Collection

Please note we are only able to collect brand new items in their original packaging and label.

Here are a few suitable items we are collecting :-

Soft hair brushes, dark nail varnish, hats, gloves, scarves, head bands, soft tooth brushes etc... Please see below flyers for other ideas.... Many thanks for your continued support!

What is the cancer bank?

We are an organisation set up to support people starting their Cancer Journey.




What do we need?

Soft hair brushes, transfer eyebrow tattoos, dark nail polish, large tooth combs, thermometer, shower sleeves

Hats, gloves, scarves, snoods, headscarves, thermal slippers/socks (with grip soles), head bands.
[BRAND NEW PRODUCTS IN-PACKAGING ONLY]

Soft toothbrushes, non-alcoholic mouthwash, emollient cream (plain/perfume free/Lanolin free: Aveeno, E45, MooGoo, neuro genic, Aqueous Cream.), lip balm, hand sanitizer

Please note that we can only accept brand-new products in original packaging with labels. This is due to the risk of infection.



What we will do:

We are asking for donations of newly bought items that people might need if they are going through cancer but don't have a lot of money to buy these for themselves.

Nursery Places Available for September 2024!



For enquiries, admissions or to arrange a visit, please call 01254 698002 or email: office@shadsworthinfant.blackburn.sch.uk 15hr Part- Time and 30hr Full- Time Places For more information about our Teacher led Available Nursery, visit: <https://www.shadsworthinfants.co.uk>





As you are aware we use ParentMail for our communication. Please download the App to receive notifications to enable you to keep up to date on school communications and completion of relevant documents etc. Also, please check out our school facebook page.

SEND



Mrs Grafton our school SENCo will be holding a Parent/Carer, SEND Coffee Morning on Wednesday 10th July 2024 in school @ 8.45am-9.45am **We look forward to seeing you there.**

FREE Summer Lunches available from the hub's mentioned in the summer lunches flyer



Take a look at our Early Years Picture News week commencing 24th June 2024





What makes a good friend?

Let's look at this week's story



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*Think about: Have you heard of Taylor Swift before?
Do you know any of her songs?
Do you know anyone who has been to watch her tour?
If so, what did they think?*

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*Think about: Have you ever had a friendship bracelet before?
Have you ever made one for anyone? Who did you give one to?
How do you think it makes someone feel when they are given a friendship bracelet?*

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How does it make me feel?



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Have you heard any new words?



Write any new words here and talk about what they mean 

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EY
RESOURCE



Listen to the children, who are sharing what they love about their friends.



I love being with my friend because we have so much fun together.



My best friend always shares the dinosaurs with me. We both love to play with the dinosaurs.



One of my friends always helps me with cutting out because I find using scissors quite tricky.



My friend is so kind and she often asks me if I'm okay.

What do you love about your friends?

When you're with your friends, how does it make you feel?

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17 Resource one



Can you draw a picture of a friend or friends and write a sentence to say what makes them a good friend?

A large empty rectangular box for drawing and writing.



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17 Resource two

A Recipe for Good Friends



- 1 smile 😊
- 3 kind words 😊💬
- 2 hugs 🤗
- 5 laughs 😂
- 4 winks 🙄



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17 Resource two

A large empty rectangular box for drawing and writing, with the title 'My Recipe for Good Friends' at the top left.



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British Values



Individual Liberty

We can choose how we treat our friends. Using kind words can help make our friends feel happy and make our friendship stronger.

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Protected Characteristics



Learning about and accepting the religions and beliefs of our friends can help us understand one another better and enrich our lives. Friendships can flourish thanks to both similarities and differences.

Sex	Sexual Orientation	Age
Disability	Gender Reassignment	Marriage and Civil Partnership
Pregnancy and Maternity	Race	Religion or Belief

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UN Rights of the Child



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SETTING UP OR JOINING GROUPS

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Weekly vocabulary



Speaking and Listening	Writing	Role-play	Maths	Funky Fingers
bracelets friend friendship bracelet tour music concert songs singer inspired idea great-grandmother gave gift care homes fun together shares kind helpful	draw write sentence words friend friends good kind helpful fun listener Why? How?	music concert organise build stage audience tickets for sale sell sold perform costume change sing dance	friendship recipe smiles kind words hugs laughs winks mix together add plus equals amounts most How many?	make friendship bracelet colours create pattern repeated beads thread push pull on off more fewer

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Picture News In the Early Years

Speaking and Listening

Birth to 5 matters: Shows confidence in speaking to others about their own work, ideas, experiences and views. Feels and understands the consequences. **Look at the Picture News pages:** What can you see? What do you like or dislike about this week's picture? What do you think this week's story could be about? What is this person wearing? **Singer:** Taylor Swift, is currently performing her Eras Tour in lots of different places all around the world.

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bracelets. Devon made a bracelet and gave it to her great-grandmother. After seeing how happy it made her, she decided to make hundreds more to give to people who live in care homes.

Think about: Have you ever had a friendship bracelet before? Have you ever made one for anyone? Who do you give one to? How do you think it makes someone feel when they are given a friendship bracelet?

Question: What makes a good friend?

Listen to the children on the **EY Resource**, who are sharing what they love about their friends.

Think about: What do you love about your friends? When you're with your friends, how does it make you feel?

Outdoor Role-play

Can you organise and hold your own music concert?

Birth to 5 matters: Uses language to imagine and represent ideas and experiences in play situations. Discuss that, when people hold music concerts, there is a lot of organising work to be done before the concert can begin, such as building a stage, organising where the audience will sit or stand, making tickets to be sold, making sure there are snacks and drinks to buy whilst the concert is on.

Think about: Where will you hold your music concert? What will you use to build the stage? What else do you need before your music concert can begin? Who will perform? Will there be costume changes? Will anyone sell snacks and drinks? Do people need a ticket to get into the concert?

Resources: Outdoor role-play resources, card, pens, role-play food and drink, bill, dressing-up clothes, microphones, music player

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Can you organise and hold your own music concert?



Provision area	Outdoor Area
Birth to 5 matters	Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	Where will you hold your music concert? What will you use to build the stage? What else do you need before your music concert can begin? Who will perform? Will there be costume changes? Will anyone sell snacks and drinks? Do people need a ticket to get into the concert?
Key vocabulary	music, concert, organise, build, stage, audience, tickets, for sale, sell, sold, perform, costumes, change, sing, dance

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Can you make up your own friendship recipe?



Provision area	Maths Area
Birth to 5 matters	Begins to explore and work out mathematical problems, using signs and strategies of their own choice, including (where appropriate) standard numerals, tallies and "+" or "-".
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	What will you add to your friendship recipe? What else? What do you have the most of in your recipe? Let's compare your recipe to your friend's. Is it the same or different? How many smiles do you have? How many does your friend have? How many smiles do you have altogether? Wonder if you could write it as a number sentence!
Key vocabulary	friendship, recipe, smiles, kind words, hugs, laughs, winks, mix, together, add, plus, equals, amounts, most, how many?

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Writing

Can you draw a picture of a friend or friends and write a sentence to say what makes them a good friend?

Birth to 5 matters: Begins to develop their phonetic knowledge by linking sounds to letters, using their own ideas and captions, later progressing to simple sentences.

Resources: Photo, drawing, a writing tray with a felt tip and caption, later progressing to simple sentences. Model drawing a person, who is a friend, and discuss with the children why they are your friend. Model writing a sentence to say what makes them a good friend.

Think about: Who will you draw? What makes them a good friend? What do you enjoy doing together? Can you see the sentence you will write about them? Can you read your writing back? How does being friends with them make you feel? **Resources:** Drawing and writing pre-forms (see **EY Resource 1**), pencils, sound mats

Funky Fingers

Can you make a friendship bracelet for a friend?

Birth to 5 matters: Handles malleable materials safely and with increasing control and attention. Chooses familiar objects to create and recreate repeating patterns beyond all patterns and begins to identify the end of repeat.

Think about: Who will you make a friendship bracelet for? Why have you chosen them? What colours do you like?

they will like? Will you create a pattern on the bracelet? What will your pattern be? How do we get the beads onto the wool? How many beads do you think you will need? Can you check it fits your friend? Do you need more or fewer beads? **Resources:** Thick wool or pipe cleaners, coloured beads, images of repeated patterns

Maths

Can you make up your own friendship recipe?

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Using **EY Resource 2**, show the children how Peter Bear made up his own friendship recipe using one smile, three kind words, two hugs etc. Model making up and writing your own friendship recipe using different amounts of kind words, smiles etc.

Think about: What will you add to your friendship recipe? What else? What do you have the most of in your recipe? Let's compare your recipe to your friend's. Is it the same or different? How many smiles do you have? How many does your friend have? How many smiles do you have altogether? Wonder if you could write it as a number sentence! **Resources:** Peter Bear's friendship recipe and a blank Friendship recipe pre-forma (see **EY Resource 2**), pencils, numbers +, =, and signs, individual whiteboard and pens

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Provision area	Writing Area
Birth to 5 matters	Begins to develop their phonetic knowledge by linking sounds to letters. Uses their developing phonetic knowledge to write things such as labels and captions, later progressing to simple sentences.
Key questions (for adults supporting play)	Who will you draw? What makes them a good friend? What do you enjoy doing together? Can you see the sentence you will write about them? Can you read your writing back? How does being friends with them make you feel?
Key vocabulary	draw, write, sentence, words, friend, friends, good, kind, helpful, fun, listener, Why?, How?

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Key vocabulary	make, friendship bracelet, colours, create, pattern, repeated, beads, thread, push, pull, on, off, more, fewer

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Take a look at our KS1 Picture News Resource England week commencing 24th June 2024

What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

24th - 30th June 2024

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What makes a good friend?



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Let's look at this week's story



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Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



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How does it make me feel?



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ASSEMBLY RESOURCE



Read through the information below and share your thoughts about the popularity of the Taylor Swift friendship bracelets and Devon's project.

Why are Taylor Swift fans sharing bracelets at her concerts?

Fans worldwide have been making and trading friendship bracelets at every Taylor Swift concert on the 152 show tour, as a way to make new friends. They are inspired by the lyric, 'So, make the friendship bracelets, take the moment and taste it', in the song, 'You're On Your Own, Kid'. It's not uncommon for fans to meet up before a concert to create bracelets together, and there are even Facebook groups dedicated to swapping crafting tips and outfit ideas!



After I made the bracelet for my great-grandma, I realised that a lot of older people don't have grandchildren or great-grandchildren to make nice things for them. The whole of Edinburgh is going to be buzzing that weekend and I wanted to make sure that everyone gets to be part of that excitement.



Pictured: Devon Dickinson with her great-grandma, Margaret, wearing the Taylor Swift friendship bracelets.
Source: Devon Dickinson.

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Look at the resource below, which shares some examples of actions we can take to be a good friend.



Listening.



Helping.



Using kind words.



Sharing.



Including others.



Smiling.

Do you agree these actions can help us be a good friend? Can you think of any other things you could do?

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Look at the resource below, which shares some information about the history of friendship bracelets.

Friendship bracelets are ancient. Different versions of them are thought to have originated in many parts of the world. The decorative knots can be traced back to China over 2000 years ago, but it is the indigenous communities of Central and South America that are widely recorded as the first to use friendship bracelets in the way we do today.



Bracelet-making kit.

In the 1970s and 80s, friendship bracelets rose in popularity. They were used to symbolise peace, love and people uniting.



Loom band bracelets.

What were friendship bracelets made from?
Macramé is the process of tying knots into creative and decorative patterns. Ancient friendship bracelets were created using this process. Materials such as grasses, animal fibres or brightly coloured string could be used.

In the 1970s/80s, it was popular to craft them using embroidery floss or cotton thread. Some were embellished with beads or charms. In the 2010s, loom band bracelets became a trend. The elastic bracelets were collected, swapped or given to friends.

Were you aware of the origins of friendship bracelets? Does anything surprise you? Do you have any questions?

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What makes a good friend?

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Reflection



A friend is someone you trust, understand, and can communicate well with. Good friends accept each other for who they are.



Individual Liberty

Our words and actions can have both positive and negative impacts on others. We have the power to make choices that help our friends feel valued.

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Protected Characteristics



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Useful vocabulary



Craze

Something that is very popular, often for just a short time. She hopes to inspire all generations to get involved in the bracelet craze.

Dedicated

Existing for a specific purpose. ... there are even Facebook groups dedicated to swapping crafting tips and outfit ideas!

Donate

To give something - money, goods or time - for a good cause, e.g., to a charity. One superfan has made hundreds of Taylor Swift inspired friendship bracelets to donate to people in care homes.

Generations

People grouped by age. A generation is around 30 years, about the time it takes for a person to be born, grow up and have children of their own. She hopes to inspire all generations to get involved in the bracelet craze.

Qualities

Traits or characteristics that make a person who they are. Thinking about some of your friends, what qualities do they have that make them a good friend to you?

Venues

The places that host organised events, such as sports competitions or concerts. Singer, Taylor Swift, is in the midst of her Eras Tour, singing to venues all around the world.

Can you use them in your writing this week?

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- Listen Think Share
- Look at this week's poster and share what you think this week's story could be about.
- After reading the story, discuss your experience of friendship bracelets. Have you ever made, given, or received one? Do you think they are a good way to show that you care?
- Can you think of other things you could do or give to show your friends how important they are to you?
- Read through the information found on the assembly resource and share your thoughts about the popularity of the Taylor Swift friendship bracelets and Devon's project.
- Watch this week's useful video, which shows one Taylor Swift fan's experience of the concert. Have you ever attended a show or event with friends?
- What was your experience?
- Thinking about some of your friends, what qualities do they have that make them a good friend to you?
- Do you think anyone could become friends (e.g., regardless of age, locality, or other differences)?

Reflection
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KS1 focus
What are some actions we can take to be a good friend?

- Listen Think Share
- Write the word 'friend' on the whiteboard. What do you think makes a good friend? Think of a friend you have; what actions do they take that help to build and nurture your friendship?
- Look at resource 1, which shares some ideas of actions a good friend might take. Do you agree these actions can help to be a good friend? Can you think of anything else a good friend might do?
- Which actions do you think are most important? Which are the least important?
- What are some things a good friend might say?
- People sometimes say, 'Actions speak louder than words.' What do you think this means? Do you agree that actions are more important than words in a friendship? Does everyone feel the same?
- What are some things that a good friend would not do to you? Why are these things detrimental to a friendship? Have you ever done any of these things? What happened?
- Discuss the different elements of being a good friend with a partner. Think and talk about what you look for in a friend. Do you and your partner want the same things in a friend?
- Work as a class to share ideas to come up with a list of the top ways to be a good friend. How will you narrow down and order the options?
- Reflect on how you are a good friend. Is there anything you think you could do more/better?

Reflection
We can consider what makes a good friend in others. It is also important to reflect on our actions and words in our own friendships.

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KS2 focus
What is the history and significance of friendship bracelets?

- Listen Think Share
- Share any experiences you have had with friendship bracelets. Have you ever seen them being sold? Have you ever made one or know someone who has? Have you ever given or received one? What materials are used to make friendship bracelets?
- Friendship bracelets have been around for a very long time. Look at resource 2, which shares some information about their history. Were you aware of their origins? Does anything surprise you? Do you have any questions?
- In the 1970s and 80s, some people used friendship bracelets to symbolise peace, love and unity. What do you believe friendship bracelets symbolise? What do they mean to you? Do you think they are more important to some people than others?
- If you have ever given or received a friendship bracelet, share how it felt. If not, imagine how it might feel. Do you think receiving a friendship bracelet someone has made means more than one they bought? Why?
- Discuss who you would make a friendship bracelet for. What would you use to make it? What design pattern might it be? Why would you make it this way? How would it be a symbol of your friendship with this person?
- Think about other ways you can recognise and celebrate your friendships.

Reflection
Traces of friendship bracelets can be found thousands of years ago. In modern times, some people use them to show how much they care for and value their friendships. We may prefer to show this care and value in different ways.

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KS2 follow-up ideas

Option 1

Create a poem inspired by friendship. Begin by discussing the following:

- What words can be used to describe a good friend?
- How do friends make you feel?
- Describe a fantastic moment with a friend and a difficult, low or sad moment.
- Can friendship be like something in nature, such as the sea, a rock or a tree? Does it change and grow? Is it solid?

Write your poem using any structure or poetry devices you choose!

Option 2

Design a friendship bracelet! Think about:

- What materials will you need? Colourful thread, beads, ribbon bands, grasses/flowers?
- What technique(s) will you use? Threading, knotting, plaiting, twisting?
- What colours, patterns, designs do you hope to create?

Gather your resources and make your friendship bracelet! Once you have completed it, evaluate your work. Consider:

- Did anything change from your original design? Why?
- Were any of the techniques you used easier or harder than expected?
- How pleased are you with the bracelet?

Perhaps you could recognise your class friendships with your bracelets, making sure everyone is able to give and receive one.

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KS1 follow-up ideas

Option 1

With July fast approaching, you will be beginning to think about transitioning into new classes or year groups. Can you write a handy guide for the children moving up into your year, to help them to be a great friend to others? You might like to think about:

- What advice will you give?
- What actions or words will you include?
- How will you set out your guidance? E.g., as a poster, an acts of kindness jar, a letter.



Option 2

Plan something nice to do with or for a friend. It could be something small, like sitting together for lunch or giving them a hug! Or something else, like making them round for tea or making them something special such as a card or a friendship bracelet!

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This week's useful websites

This week's news story

<https://bit.ly/4b108qg>

This week's useful video

www.bbc.com/news/health-60981393

This week's Virtual Picture News

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT 1

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June

Euros 2024 – Explained!

The Euros has just entered its second week – but how does the tournament actually work? Take a look at this handy guide that tells you all you need to know! The UEFA European Championship is a football tournament held every four years, also known as the Euros.

This year, the competition hosts are Germany, and matches will take place at stadiums all over the country. Teams must play a series of qualifying matches to get into the tournament. The hosts are automatically given a spot in the competition. Only 24 countries compete. The teams are divided into six groups of four teams, each team will play the other teams in its group to

win points. This is the group stage. The top two, or in some cases three, teams in each group will go on to the knockout stage – where only the winner of each match will go on to the next round. The final of the Euros is due to be played in Berlin on 14th July. Who will you be supporting?



Picture: Euros 24 logo. Source: @UEFA on X.

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A Special Sighting

What animal can curl into a ball and is covered in scales? It's a pangolin! An incredibly rare type of pangolin has been spotted in Senegal, Africa, for the first time in 23 years. The giant pangolin is endangered, which means there are not many of them left. One of the main reasons for this is poaching. Their meat is considered a delicacy in many parts of Asia and Africa and their scales are sought after, so the animals are hunted and trafficked. These adorable animals are easily caught, as their response to danger is to simply curl up and wait, which means they can just be picked



Picture: Giant pangolin searching for termites. Source: Canva. Up by poachers. Conservationists are working hard to gather the evidence needed to find hunting groups and arrest those responsible. The recent sighting in Senegal has been most welcome news indeed for pangolin lovers around the world!

Is voting the best way to change things?

I think voting is a good way for everyone to express their opinion, but it's a shame that there will always be some voters who are disappointed. **Damian, 9**

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Elephant Nicknames

A new study has revealed that African elephants have nicknames for each other! Scientists were really excited to discover that the elephants they studied use special noises to call one another. The nicknames are not the usual trumpeting noise that we are used to hearing from elephants, but take the form of low, reverberating rumbles. "It's really exciting," said Dr Joyce Poole, from ElephantVoices, who is part of the study's team. Elephants live in a pretty complex society. They're quite a bit like ourselves; families are not together all the time, they split up and come back together. The study discovered that elephants could call to each other in this way from as far

away as two kilometres. Dr Poole explained, "They have a vocalisation that I refer to as a 'let's go' rumble. An elephant will stand and point the direction that she wants to go and call repeatedly. And sometimes the elephants then get involved in a discussion. They call back and forth, and I have often wondered, are they talking about, "Well, I don't want to go to the swamp." I would not be surprised if we found they have place names for the places they go regularly." The researchers used artificial intelligence to analyse recordings of communication between elephants on two reserves – Amboseli National Park and Samburu National Reserve in Kenya. The recordings were taken over decades, beginning in 1986. Although dolphins and parrots can mimic sounds that they hear, elephants are the only non-human animals to create individual names for their friends and family. **Do you know any interesting facts about elephants?**



Picture: Asian Elephant. Trumpeting. Source: Canva.

Youngest Radio Station Manager Ever

10-year-old Martha Sheehan has made broadcasting history as the youngest radio station manager ever. At 10 years and 282 days old, Martha launched 'Fun Kids Space Station' during a special sleepover at the National Space Centre in Leicester, UK. She was completely in charge of the whole on-air broadcast – from the creative concept to the selection of songs that were played on the first show. Martha's official radio station began broadcasting after she pushed a big red button on 9th June, in a planetarium filled with 80 excited children. She has been very busy getting everything ready for the successful launch, planning upcoming features, producing new jingles, and putting together lots of special playlists.



Picture: Martha Sheehan, receiving her Guinness World Record certificate. Source: Guinness World Records on Facebook.

Is voting the best way to change things?

Voting can change many things and is often the fairest option, but I feel that the individual's voice, my voice, can't always be heard. **Kellie**

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In the news this week

Singer, Taylor Swift, is in the midst of her Eras Tour, singing to venues all around the world. One superfan has made hundreds of Taylor Swift inspired friendship bracelets to donate to people in care homes. 11 year old, Devon, came up with the idea to give out the handmade bracelets after seeing how happy her 92 year old great grandmother, Margaret, was with the one she gave her. She hopes to inspire all generations to get involved in the bracelet craze.

Things to talk about at home...

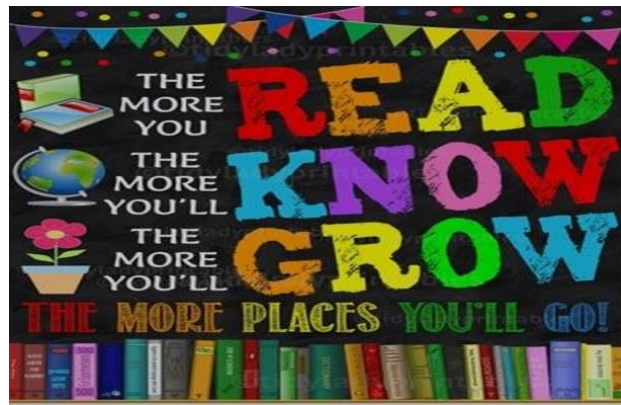
- Have you ever been to a show or concert? If so, what was it like? Ask someone at home about their experiences.
- Thinking about your own friends, what is it about them that makes them special? Ask others at home about their friends.

What makes a good friend?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Eli G Nursery Class, for reading 50 Library Books.

Alexander H from our Tuesday Baby Bears Group for reading 25 Library Books.

Please keep up this amazing work!

Please remember our family library is open every **Wednesday straight after school until 4.00pm**





Introducing our mindful calendar, each month the calendar will give you ideas and suggestions of how to be more mindful as a family. Please take a few moments to look at the calendar, share the information with your child/children, have fun and enjoy!



Breakfast Club Rule

IT IS **ESSENTIAL** EACH TIME YOU DROP YOUR CHILD OFF AT BREAKFAST CLUB, **YOU BRING YOUR CHILD INTO THE SCHOOL HALL, GIVE YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND MONEY TO THE MEMBER OFF STAFF SAT AT THE TABLE NEAR THE PATIO DOORS.**

PLEASE **DO NOT** DROP YOUR CHILD OFF AT THE SCHOOL GATES.

Please can we remind you that Breakfast Club needs to be paid for daily, it is £1 per day or £4 for the week to be paid in advance on the Monday - Thank you