

Galleywood Infant School

Friday 12th February 2016



Science Week

I would like to start by saying a very big thank you to all of the children and their families for taking part in this year's Bridges Challenge. All of the staff have been overwhelmed by how many bridges we have seen and how creative and original they all are.

Mr Troll came back to school for a special visit on Wednesday and chose one bridge from each class that he would like for his new home. He was delighted to announce that Douglas Cable, Max Jacobs, Alice Sweeting, Millie Sinnott, Nathan Lee and Riley Snowball were our winners.

Science week started with a fantastic carousel day. Each class took part in a range of different science experiments including, building electrical circuits, making volcanoes, changing materials, using the senses and chromatography.



We were lucky to have fantastic weather for all of our Forest Schools sessions at Galleywood common and would like to thank all of the parents, grandparents and family friends who volunteered to accompany classes. All of the children had an amazing time and enjoyed learning outdoors.

We have been very lucky this year to be a part of only 200 schools across the country to take part in the Principia International Space Station project. The children have been learning about Tim Peakes' journey to the International Space Station and have been building their own rockets, taking part in training exercises based on Tim's pre-launch training, and writing their own diary entries about the launch. The children will continue the project until Tim lands safely back on Earth later this year!

Look out for pictures of science week on our school website!



"This is awesome! Everything is changing colour!"

"I want to go to space like Tim. I love space."

"I learnt something new today. I can be adventurous!"

"Science is cool. I love science!"



Natalie Mildinhall

We would like to thank Natalie for organising a really exciting Science week for the school! It has certainly inspired children to ask great questions, to explore and investigate and to take an interest in space! The children had such a great time at Galleywood Common- I hope that many families will have half a day free over half term to explore this wonderful area right on our doorstep- it is free, lots of fun, active, outdoors and changes with every season!

Perform Workshop

Every class enjoyed working with Miranda from Perform yesterday, exploring and retelling the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We have booked another workshop for the summer term on the theme Peter Pan, to link with our work about the sea!

Crossing Patrol

We have been asked by the School Crossing Patrol Supervisor to apologise to parents for the lack of cover on Wednesday 10th February. Linda was unable to reach the school due to an accident on the A12, which caused traffic congestion in Chelmsford.

The afternoon crossing patrol vacancy remains unfilled. Sharon Wallace is happy to talk to anyone who may be interested. Please contact her via the website www.workingforessex.com, phone 08448006685 or on her mobile 07500 766019



A beautiful picture of Mrs Holden, with Bertie, who is now 6 weeks old!

We wish you all a very happy half term holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 22nd February for our new learning theme of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang!

