

Badgers Class Newsletter.

Friday 16th January 2026

What have the Badgers been up to this week?



- The Badgers are really enjoying our class text called 'The children of the Benin Kingdom'. This week we have created some character profiles, discussed character emotions, made our own predictions and also planned out the start of a diary entry writing in role. We have also completed so reading comprehension this week.
- In Maths our focus has been on decimals - looking mainly at the place value of decimals and being able to represent them in different ways. In Arithmetic we have revisited long multiplication and adding/subtracting fractions.
- In Spanish we started learning about 'Parts of the body'.
- For our RE lesson this week we thought about who Jesus is to Christians. We learnt about incarnation and the belief that Jesus is God in human form. The children created their own acrostic poems to reflect our understanding.

Our core concept this term is:
Perception and Empathy

In Art this week we looked at some examples of Benin Art and the patterns we find as a part of West African Culture. It was great to hear what the Badgers thought. We created some mood boards to reflect our understanding and our likes from the art we had looked at.

Our history learning this week was about the events leading to the beginning of the slave trade in Benin. The Badgers had to show great empathy in this lesson.

Celebrations and What the Badgers have to say...



For our Work on the Wall - this week we are celebrating **Ava** and **Orson**. I have chosen **Ava** for some outstanding homework- Aa created a mask, sculpted to look like a Benin Bronze piece. Amazing effort so well done. I have also chosen **Orson** - he has done brilliantly in maths this week with decimals and has shown such good understanding. He has also been so proud of his own work which is great to see. Our Headteacher's Award is for **Roman** - Our discussions in history this week were about discovering the events that led to slave trade in Benin. Roman was so mature in his thinking and the way he answered questions - showing great empathy and our value of compassion.

Our Pupil Voice is "Can we read the next chapter now please? I can't believe its another cliff hanger" The children are all really enjoying our new class text and so am I!

Important Information:

- Forest school on a Wednesday and PE on a Tuesday.
- Please be mindful of the wet weather we have had recently, please ensure your child has a waterproof coat because we will always try to give the children time outside - even when it is raining. Thank you 😊
- A polite reminder to begin making payments for Hindleap - please see dojo. Contact the office with your payment plan. Thank you.

Teacher Message:

Have a wonderful weekend. Stay safe and cosy this wet and rainy January weekend. Love, Mrs Jessup x