



NEWSLETTER

'If you believe it, you can achieve it'

Friday 14th October 2022

Dear families,

There has been lots of exciting learning happening this week. In Rundell class, I enjoyed seeing the children being enthusiastic about their maths learning– pushing themselves to get onto the twist it and solve it problems – keep it up! Donaldson class started their *'rainbow challenges'* this week– see 'class of the week' to find out more. Well done to the three children to achieved the first rainbow awards in celebration assembly this afternoon. Ahlberg class are enjoying the story 'The hungry caterpillar'- they are making great progress with their number work and use of Numicon.

I have been really impressed how well the children across school demonstrated *'being ready and being safe'* this week. During our fire drill, the children exited school calmly, quietly and most importantly– safely, well done.

Our first Harmony Trust Sumdog contest of the year has started. All Key Stage 2 children (Years 3-6) are encouraged to take part. Please encourage your children to log in to Sumdog to enter. It would be fabulous if one of our children or classes could win a prize!

We are looking forward to seeing parents next week for parent's meetings. There are still slots available if you haven't booked one– please contact the office.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Patmore (Principal)

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Weekly story time every Friday in EYFS at 9am

Parents evening—18th, 19th, 20th

October– sign up on SchoolSpider

Friday 21st October INSET day –school is closed to pupils

Monday 24th– Friday 28th October

HALF TERM

Return to school– Monday 31st October



Calling all Key Stage 2 children...

**Take part in the third
Harmony Trust Sumdog
contest!**



Friday 14th October to
Thursday 20th October



- The winning class will have the highest average score and receive a real-life Sumdog trophy.
- Each student can answer 1,000 questions during the contest to contribute to their class score.
- All students who take part and answer at least 100 questions will receive a gift for their Sumdog house!

Who will be the Harmony Sumdog Champions?!

The Harmony Pledge

The Character Competencies:



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| 1. Aspirational | 6. Communicator |
| 2. Confident | 7. Motivational |
| 3. Resilient | 8. Co-operative |
| 4. Tolerant | 9. Problem Solver |
| 5. Creative | 10. Honest |



ATTENDANCE

Attendance EVERY day at school counts!

Class attendance for this week

Ahlberg — 93.08%

Donaldson — 92.50%

Cowell — 93.59%

Rundell — 98.80%

Well done to Rundell Class!



SEND and Inclusion News

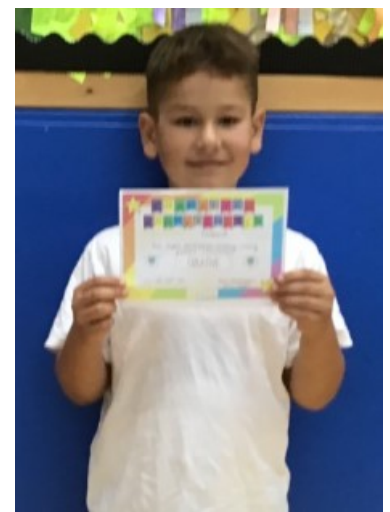
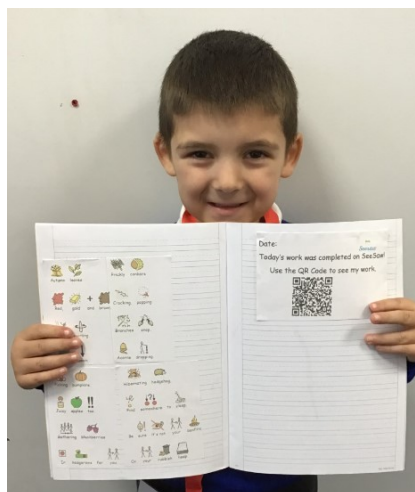
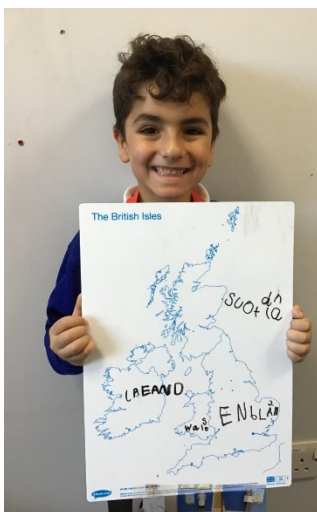
As you know, **parents evening meetings** take place next week.

During these meetings, teachers will be sharing your child's **Individual Plan**. This outlines your child's needs, the targets we have set and also how we will support them to reach these targets.

I will also be available at parents evening. Please pop by and see me if you have any concerns about your child's needs or disability, if you'd like further SEND advice, or if you'd like to give us some feedback about our SEND provision at Cottons Farm.

I hope to see you then.

Mrs Grainger



Class of the Week

Wow! What a week we have had in Donaldson!

This week, the children began their Rainbow Challenges!

Each week the children have challenges for our key learning areas!

Maths challenge:
Create 2D shapes
using elastic bands.



Construction challenge: Create a landmark.



Water challenge:
Make a square and
funnel water.



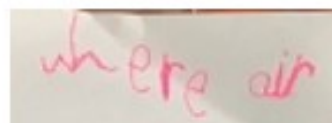
Geography challenge: Be a
detective to find England,
Northern Ireland, Scotland and
Wales!



Reading challenge: Listen to an audiobook,
or read a book and write a review.



Writing challenge: Choose a
grapheme to practice writing.



Class of the Week

Art challenge: To create artwork inspired by Yayoi Kusama.



If your child has completed ALL their Rainbow Challenges they will be coming home with a certificate!



Not only that but the children have been working SO hard to count vertices (corners) on 3D shapes in maths.

In English we have begun our learning on Autumn Leaves, a wonderful poem all about Autumn.

What a busy week full of learning!