



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

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Dear Families

It has certainly been a very wet week indeed, but we have managed to get the children out to play as much as possible so thank you for sending them in with coats.

We were so fortunate to have the pantomime 'Snow White' play here on Tuesday. All of the children enjoyed over an hour of singing, dancing and storytelling, and we thank you for supporting all our FOMHS fundraising events over the year, helping to pay for this. Giving our children these extra experiences is so important.

This morning, we have had about 14 visiting teachers, who have come to find out more about how we teach maths through each year group, and ensure challenge and support for all. Thank you to Mrs Webb for leading this and thank you to all of our children for being so proud of their learning.

Celebrations

We held our Friday Whole School Celebration Assembly today and it was lovely to share the news from each class with everyone and celebrate all the hard work together. All of our children make us very proud each week, and to gain this additional recognition is very special.

Class	Celebration	Achievement
Mousehole	Milo	Zeke
Longships	Arthur	Ondine
Pendeen	Willow	Emily
Gwithian	Autumn	Tamsin
Carne	Daisy BW	Benji
Lamorna	Hettie	Jowan
Allen	Harley	Alistair
Kenwyn	Áine	Charlie
Truro	Karolina	Amara



My Personal Best Life Skills for next week are...

EYFS and KS1 – Resourcefulness

KS2 – Problem Solving

We will explore these life skills and link them to our ASPIRE values, encouraging their use in all our activities. You can read more about this here - [My Personal Best - Youth Sport Trust](#) and here - [Mount Hawke Academy - Ethos, Aims & Values](#)

Sports News

This week, all of our matches have been postponed because of all the rain, but a squad of gymnasts have headed off to Penryn College today to take part in the area finals. Good luck all!

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Science Challenge

This month we've got a practical challenge! Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

January Science Challenge

SCAVENGER SCIENCE

TRY THIS INDOORS Make a shelter

Collect some different materials together from indoors (e.g. foil, card, plastic, cotton) and/or outdoors (e.g. sticks, leaves). Use the materials to make a waterproof mini shelter for a toy. You could start by making a framework like the one in the picture and then put different materials over it. Once the shelter is finished, put a small toy inside and spray or drip water over the top. Try changing the material to find out which one is best at keeping the toy dry.

You will need

- * Collection of materials (e.g. foil, plastic, card, cotton, leaves)
- * Jug of water
- * Small toy
- * Egg box or other small container
- * Paper and glue

WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

Things to talk about ...

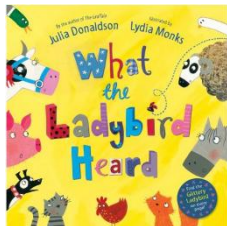
Which materials are best at keeping the toy dry? Why do you think this is? Which materials let the water through? Do they let the water through straight away or after a bit of time? Which materials soak up the water?

NB if you are doing this indoors, put a tray or plastic sheet under the shelter to stop water going on the floor!



WHAT IS THE SCIENCE?

Water cannot pass through **waterproof** materials. Foil and plastic are waterproof which is why they are so useful for wrapping food, and why we make raincoats from plastic materials. Some materials might **absorb** water and so might not let it through straight away, e.g. thick cotton, but after some time, the water will drip through.



Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Longships Class... Rory's book recommendation this week is *What the Ladybird Heard* by Julia Donaldson. He thinks the rhyming story is very funny, and his favourite moment is when the clever little ladybird saves the day by stopping the burglars from stealing the fine prize cow. Rory loves how the smallest creature on the farm turns out to be the hero.

Communications

Remember to use the email hello@mounthawke.org or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend.

The calendar below will be updated as the year moves on...

MHA Calendar	
Thursday 12 th February	Lamorna Class Cake Sale - after school
Friday 13 th February	Training Day – school closed
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – details to follow

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Friday 20 th March	Red Nose Day – non-school uniform / wear red
Thursday 5 th March	Came Class Cake Sale - after school
Monday 9 th – Monday 16 th March	The Great MHA Balloon Race – details to follow
Friday 15 th March	FOMHS Cupcake Workshop – details to follow
w/b Monday 23 rd March	Parent Consultation Evenings
Monday 30 th March	Open Classroom Session – 2.30pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 1 st April	Gwithian Class Cake Sale - after school
Thursday 2 nd April	Break up for Easter Holiday at 3:15pm / Playzone until 5:00pm
Monday 20 th April	Return to school for Summer Term
Wednesday 20 th May	Pendeen Class Cake Sale - after school
Wednesday 17 th June	Longships Class Cake Sale - after school
Thursday 9 th July	Mousehole Class Cake Sale - after school Summer Fair
Friday 17 th July	FOMHS Colour Run – details to follow

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