

Hazel Class Newsletter

Date: Monday 14th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start the children have made to the new academic year! They have settled quickly into their new routines, shown great enthusiasm for learning and have worked hard in all areas of the curriculum. It has been wonderful to see their confident and positive attitudes.

Maths

This week, we have been focusing on **place value**, exploring the value of numbers and understanding why place value is one of the essential building blocks of mathematics. The children have enjoyed investigating numbers in different ways and developing their confidence when explaining their mathematical thinking.

English

In English, we have been revisiting and embedding last year's key non-negotiable foundation skills such as correct punctuation and conjunctions to join ideas (but, so, and.) We are keen to start as we mean to go on, ensuring that all children have secure foundations and that any gaps in learning are addressed early. The children have approached this with great focus and engagement.

Topic

Our new **Roman topic** is already proving to be a huge success! The children designed their own Roman shields and learned about the famous Roman *testudo* (tortoise) formation. They enjoyed working together and imagining what life may have been like as part of a Roman army.



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French

In French, we have been exploring pronunciation, focusing on the French alphabet and vowel sounds. The children have enjoyed practising new sounds and building their confidence when speaking French aloud.

PE

PE has been a firm favourite this week! We have been developing teamwork and cooperation through a range of team games. It has been wonderful to see the children encouraging one another, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and, most importantly, having fun.

Best wishes,

Sarah

Teacher awards this week:

Congratulations to those children who received awards this week:

Teacher awards: Finley & Ollie

Star: Jasmine

Dates

Roman workshop:

Thursday 17th
September.

PE days:

Tuesday & Friday



Times Table focus next week: **x5**