

CELEBRATION NEWSLETTER — Spring 2025 Dobcroft Infant School



Winners of an Art Prize

We were delighted to be awarded winners of a national school art

competition set by Unique School Solutions. We won lots of resources and the photograph of the piece of artwork that won (see picture) is represented in their yearly calendar.





Tennis at Dobcroft!

The whole school were lucky enough to experience tennis this term from the team at Courtside Tennis who run park tennis sessions on a Saturday morning. The children loved the experience and it was the perfect addition to our wider opportunities offer.

EYFS Fairytale Dress Up Day

Foundation Stage enjoyed their fairytale dress up day. We shared stories, dressed up as our

favourite fairytale characters, and joined in lots of activities based on traditional tales.



Chinese New Year Celebrations

Children across the school celebrated Chinese New Year with a workshop in the hall where children practised Chinese dancing. Bella in Badgers showed us her knowledge by sharing her special clothes with us and



telling us all about the way she celebrates Chinese New Year with her friends and family.

Eco News

We have considered sustainability and decarbonisation as part of our procurement processes. A tree has been planted on behalf of our school because we have signed up with SAS school insurance services. Click here for more information.

Food Reps

We have had our first Food Reps meeting this term. The children had a discussion about food and lunchtime at Dobcroft. We shared thoughts on things we liked and disliked at lunchtime. Children also generated lots of amazing ideas on how we could improve our lunchtime experience: play calm music and even try new foods like sushi and tacos! We will review these with our lunch team and keep you updated on any improvements made in the future.





World Book Day

On 6^{th} March, we celebrated World Book Day by dressing up in our PJs and bringing in our favourite book. It was great to see all the parents and carers come to read with their children at the end of the day



Art Exhibitions

This term pupils in Y1 and Y2 celebrated their art work. They had the opportunity to show their parents and carers the art they had created, they modelled the skills they had learnt over the past term and had a really lovely time explaining what they know.

ProStrike Challenge

As part of our wider opportunities, all children took part in raising money for the development of the school. The children loved seeing how fast they could strike the ball into the giant inflatable net! We raised a massive £1530.24 in sponsorship. Thank you to everyone for your support.





Sainsbury's Charity Donation

Thank you to Sainsbury's Archer Road for their charity donation this term. We have put the money towards buying a new shed for our garden resources in EYFS which is now outside the Badgers classroom.

Great Fire of London

Y1 children took part in a workshop to help them understand how people lived at the time of the Great Fire of London. They learnt how buildings were made and had a go at making a wall themselves. It was a brilliant day that was enjoyed by all the children and had a really good impact on their knowledge and understanding of the Great Fire of London.



Easter Bonnet Parade

Well done to all of the children in EYFS for their Easter Bonnet parade. The children loved sharing their bonnets with you all as they paraded around the bottom yard. Thank you for all of your support, the event was a great success!

Comic Relief



We are very proud of all the children who raised money for Comic Relief – we raised £218.50, which is fantastic! Children took part in a joke competition, the best ones were shared in our Friday celebration assembly. Well done to Joseph Rogers who won the competition with the joke "What do lions eat?...Roar meat"

Whole School Share A Story

Twice this term the whole school has shared a story with their parents and carers. It is a lovely event that supports children's love of reading. Thank you to all the parents and carers that came to share their favourite stories, the children really value to experience.

Number Day

Number day was celebrated in school on the 7th February. Children enjoyed 'Dressing for Digits' by wearing numbers to school, as well as participating in lots of different maths themed activities and challenges throughout the day. If your child enjoys challenging themselves in maths, have a look at the nrich website here and select your child's school



phase (Early Years or Primary). There are some lovely maths games and puzzles to solve at home.

Science Day

Our science ambassadors and Miss Tinker, Science Lead ran a science day where children developed science capital and went beyond the science curriculum.

Science capital refers to a child's exposure to and confidence in science, influenced by experiences at home, school, and in the community. Encouraging curiosity, asking questions, and exploring the world



together helps build a positive attitude toward science. When children see science in everyday life, they develop a sense of belonging in the subject, boosting their future learning. Parents play a vital role by fostering a love for discovery. Let's work together to nurture young scientists by making science fun and accessible for all!