

Dear all,

I am always tremendously proud of our children but these last few weeks have been extra special! Particular highlights have been with Year 5 and their important work with curlew action. They have made presentations to the Curlew Summit in front of an internationally important and knowledgeable audience and this week they have impressed me, the staff and a visiting ornithologist with their superb curlew poetry. The poems will be published in due course, but in the meantime, here's one to enjoy and one of the children's sculptures too. Mrs Pye

Fields and fields of long swaying grass,

Hidden in the nest are small curlew speckled eggs

Cur loo Cur loo.

Sitting proudly on her eggs,

Keeping them warm and safe

Cur loo Cur loo

Suddenly hatching beneath their mother silently,

Huddling together to keep each other warm,

Searching the nest for tiny insects to feed on

Cur loo Cur loo

Surveying the fields clumsily as they move

Cur loo Cur loo.



DIARY DATES

Monday 2nd May - School closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May - Reception trip to Lancaster Castle

w/c Monday 9th May - Year 6 SATS week

Monday 16th May - Year 4 trip to Clitheroe Castle

Monday 23rd May - Year 2 trip to Williamsons Park

NETBALL TOURNAMENT

Our wonderful Y5 and Y6 girls entered the OLCC school Netball tournament on Thursday afternoon.

Despite not playing any netball for almost two years they all played extremely well and we are very proud of how they all conducted themselves.



Amelia D was named player of the tournament and walked away with a lovely trophy.

YEAR 4 - POET VISIT

LOCKDOWN LINES

100 POEMS WRITTEN IN LOCKDOWN 2020



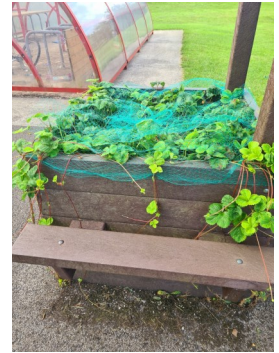
HELEN DAVIES

"Year 4 had a visit from Mrs Davies, a poet and English teacher from Morecambe Bay Academy. Mrs Davies has a passion for poetry and during lockdown she wrote and published her very own book! Year 4 are now proud owners of a signed copy and have been enjoying reading her poems. She came in to share her experiences of becoming a published poet and we had a go at writing some of our own."



YEAR 3 - PLANTING

Year 3 have just begun a very exciting topic: plants. We are already experts in naming the functions of different parts of plants and we have even been practising our digging and planting skills! If you pass Year 3 on your way in or out of school, take some time to look at all the wonderful things that are growing!



YEAR 5 TRIP TO SUNDERLAND POINT

Year 5 have been actively working towards becoming student ambassadors for Curlew Action. They have completed extensive research into why curlews are on the red list for endangered birds and what they can do to help. They have created information power points and clay curlews. On Thursday the 21st April they travelled once again to Sunderland Point for World Curlew Action Day and took part in The Curlew Summit alongside two other Lancashire schools. We are all immensely proud of their learning and their presentations. Well done Year 5.



BABY CHICKS IN NURSERY

The nursery children have been so lucky to experience incubating eggs in our incubator and then being able to look after the baby chicks, which hatched out of the eggs.

The children were absolutely fascinated to see the baby chicks and listen to them cheeping. We have learnt how to feed the chicks and to make sure that they have water to drink and water to bathe/wash in. We learnt that the brooder lamp hangs over their pen to keep the chicks warm.

The children all had the opportunity to stroke the chicks.



PTFA VOLUNTEERS

We are currently in the process of setting up a new PTFA. If you would like to get involved or would like more information, please call into the school office or email admin@ryelands.lancs.sch.uk