

Franche News

Week Ending: 24th January 2020



International Day

All of the teachers have been busy this week planning exciting learning activities for Franche Primary's International Day on Thursday 30th January. Our 'Golden Globe' medals have arrived in school and will be presented to the pupil in each class who demonstrates the best locational knowledge of countries in the U.K., Europe and continents of the world. Remember, on this day, staff and children have been asked to dress up in the colours or costume of your favourite country. We are looking forward to a fun day learning about other cultures and places in the world!

6G are R.E.D.!

We are absolutely delighted with Class 6G last week for having every single pupil Reading Every Day at home: well done! Just ten minutes five times a week will make a huge difference to children's ability to access the whole curriculum and therefore they will be more likely to be successful in whatever they choose to do in future.



Attendance

Attendance school target: **96%**
Actual School Attendance: **95 %**

Best Classes of the Week:
Rec/Year 1: 1A with 100%
Years 2-4: 2SH with 100%
Year 5-6: 5P with 100%

Best Year Band: 3 Year with 98.4%

Lates this week- 916 minutes of learning was lost due to children being late for school . School gates open @ 08.30, lessons start @ 08.40

Caught Being Good



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283



389



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Year Band News

Tots

Tiny Tots & Little Tots this week have been enjoying learning about 'Chinese New Year'. We have been using the colours red and gold in our play, and talking about the animal 'Rat'.

To help our listening and attention skills will have been using object sound bags to represent environmental noises.

Our Favourite story this week has been animal boogie!

Our Forest school session this week has been about practicing our physical skills.

Lots of Jumping, balancing and swinging on our rope swing.

Big Tots this week have also been learning about 'Chinese New Year'.

We had fun painting & decorating Chinese hats to use in role play,

We had so much fun pretending to be a Chinese dragon when dancing to music. We used our turn taking skills well to be at the front of the line.

Our favourite story this week has been "The Lady that ate a Fly"



Holiday Club

For Children aged 3 - 13 years old.



We provide quality childcare during school holidays

Open Monday to Friday

7am - 6pm

Fully qualified staff

Variety of activities including Forest School
(please see our activity time table for more info)

Our Sessions and Prices

7:00-6:00	7:30-5:30	7:30-1:00	1:00-5:30	9:00-3:00
£27	£25	£14	£14	£14

Sessions include breakfast, morning snack, afternoon snack and a light tea is provided for all children. Please note, hot dinners are **only** provided for children that attend Franche Pre-School/Nursery. Packed lunches need to be provided for all other children.

Sessions must be booked in advance

"My favorite thing about holiday club is meeting new friends".
Cora

"I like playing party games and baking cakes".
Darcie

"I love running around outside and playing with my friends at forest school".
Jonah

Find us at:-
Franche Community Primary School
Chestnut Grove,
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Your invited to.....

Fun Friday!!

Come along and get messy!!

Join the Tots team on:

Friday 21st February

10.00 till 11.30

For a morning of messy madness

£2 per child

Children aged 3 months to 3 years.

Bring your friends!!

Refreshments will be available

Why not buy some yummy cakes to!



If your child has any allergies please inform Tots prior to the session.

During the session parents are responsible for supervising their child/children

Year Band News

Nursery:

This week in Nursery our topic of Fairy Tales has moved on to the story of the Three Little Pigs. Children have been exploring the story in a variety of creative ways such as making pig biscuits, making the pigs' houses out of straw, sticks and bricks and using stickers in the mark making area to trace the outline of the characters. Children have also been learning about Chinese New Year - this year being the year of the rat and have been sampling some Chinese food as part of their snack time.



Reception

The Reception children had a super week learning all about the job role of a Post man or lady. We walked to the post office and saw first-hand people sending parcels and packages and discovered how these get sent and delivered. Our number focus this week was the number 13 and we continued to look at 3D shapes. The children were fascinated by the 'Year of The Rat' in our Chinese New Year lesson. I wonder if you can find out what Chinese animal year you were born in with your children?



AND THE WINNERS ARE...



Well done to everyone who submitted entries for the **Festive Franchastory competition**; there were some really original and creative entries! The winners for each year band are: Chloe C (Reception), Penny C (Year 1), Poppy W (Year 2), Isabelle C (Year 3), Ben T (Year 4), Lucy B (Year 5) and Elissa J (Year 6).

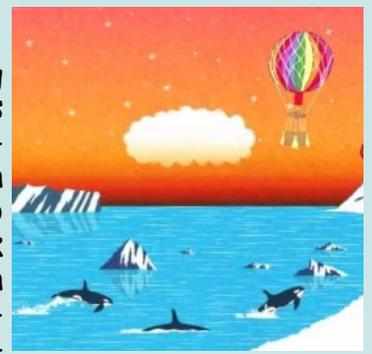
Year 1

This week in Year 1 we have baked our own Gingerbread people, it linked with our Maths learning this week on weight. We enjoyed using the scales to measure the ingredients and followed a recipe together. We will evaluate our Gingerbread in DT and then see what we can improve and make them again! In Science we have researched Alexander Fleming and his discovery of Penicillin.



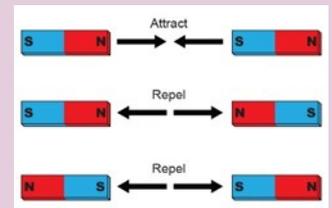
Year 2

As part of their topic, Explorers, the children have been helping Tom to write some letters back home to his mum thinking about his feelings as he takes on this brave experience. In science, the children have been looking at the basic needs for animals and humans in order to live. The pupils have also received a very exciting video message from another explorer who is currently on their way back to England after travelling the world for several years. The children will get the chance to meet this explorer next week, as part of International Day (30.01.20) and have begun to think of some questions they would like to ask. If you had the chance to ask an explorer a question, what would it be?



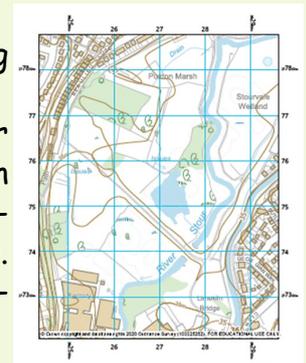
Year 3

Through drama lessons this week, the children have immersed themselves within their class text and imagined visiting a circus as the character of Leon, along with his family. This has helped the children's descriptive writing by using their senses. In Science, we have been introduced to magnets and explored how the different poles react to each other. We have learnt our new vocabulary of 'attract' and 'repel'. We look forward to using this new knowledge within our science experiments next week. Well done to 3P for being the class with the most RED tickets. Which class can beat them next week?



Year 4

This week, the children have received another message from Jack, asking them to locate the River Stour and Puxton Marsh on an Ordnance Survey map. In English, the children have been planning their letter ready to report back to Jack on their findings. They have working on apostrophes of contraction, if, then sentences and exclamation sentences. In maths, they have started to explore factor pairs in multiplication. Please keep practising times tables at home. In PE, the children are outdoors for netball therefore jogging bottoms and jumpers are essential.



Year 5

This week we have been learning about short division in Maths - we have discovered how important our times table facts are. Our science learning has taken us to the Moon and back as we have been investigating why it appears to change shape in the night sky. We learnt that this is down to the Sun's light. In PE we have continued to develop our teamwork, resilience and problem solving skills by participating in Outdoor Adventurous Activities.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have continued to follow Michael (Kensukes' Kingdom) around the world. In Geography, they have looked at climate and vegetation zones and been able to explain what Michael may have found different with Spain, Brazil, Cape town and Australia. In English, the children have discussed the feelings of being shipwrecked on a deserted island. They have used these feelings as emotive adjectives to open sentences as well as using figurative language to create describe the setting.





**Congratulations to all our wonderful
Stars of the Week!**



Tots

Tiny Tots: Diana
Little Tots: Myles H
Big Tots: Mila L

Nursery

Yellow: Ella-Rosa L-B
Red: Zhara W
Blue: Tyler J

Reception

RLB: Emily H
RSL: Layla H
RBF: Jack H
RCL: Riley S

Year 1

1A: Charlie P
1C: Toby W
1D: Jonah A
1J: Jake S

Year 2

2CH: Florence P
2W: Mia C
2SH: Kaci C
2L: Natalie H

Year 3

3C: Alfie D
3H: Isla N
3P: Freya R
3SB: Oscar T

Year 4

4S: Harley V
4B: Ollie G
4EP: Cailen G
4M: Finlay C

Year 5

5P: Harvey E
5T: Esther G
5E: Carmen V
5W: Logan R

Year 6

6G: Sam F
6H:
6M: Navraj D
6R: Cairon O



Headteacher's Award

Nursery: Alex T

Reception: Cooper S

Year 1: Dominic C

Year 2: Thomas S

Year 3: Cole H

Year 4: Lillia-Grace H

Year 5: Ethan B

Year 6: Star N



Congratulations to the following children for completing their Bronze passports:

Reception

Jack H
Poppy R
Ceira F
Francesca C
Casen S
Max W
Georgia C
Buddy B
Sam T
Amelia J
Summer D
Lyndon D
Roxy G
Amelia I
Leo B

Year 1

Isla M
Scarlet G
Annabella B
Reuben L
Layla W
Iyla H
Isla B
Jessie J

Year 2

Alexis G
Zachary H
Tamara H

Year 6

Florence P

Year 3

Tyler-Jay C
Keira L
Kelsie-May S
Alfie H-A
Mia C
Tyler Winnall
Savannah D
Emily C
Noah H
Harry W
Mia H
Madison K
Kole R
Amelia T
Year 4
Mia C
Archie L
Caleb A-S
Lexi H
Ethan D



Congratulations to the following children for completing their Silver passports:

Year 3

Hollie E



OPEN DAY



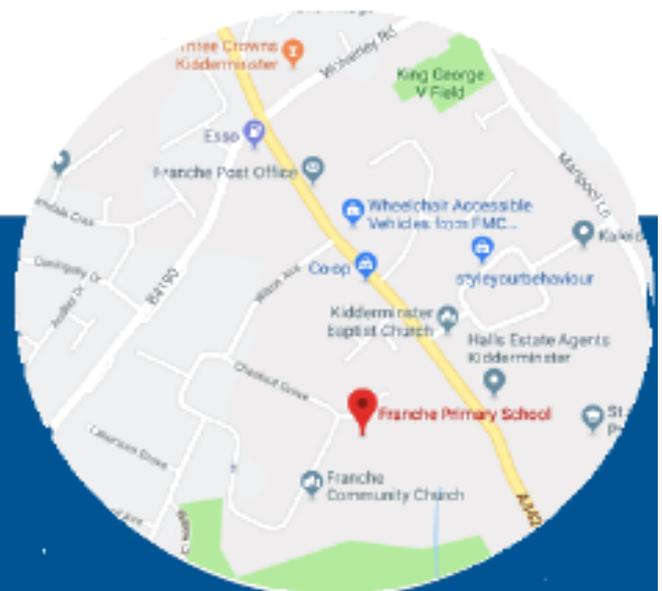
Tots@ Franche

Spaces Available for children aged
3 months to 3 years.

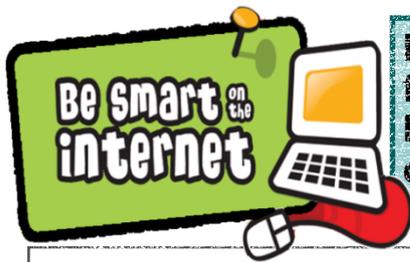
What we Offer:

- Paid sessions,
- Safe environment for you and your child,
- Two-year-old funding,
- Term time only sessions,
- School day sessions,
- Forest school sessions with Trained forest school teachers,
- A well-qualified and caring team,
- A dedicated key person to give focused support to your child
- Staff trained in paediatric first aid in all rooms,
- Access to all school outside facilities,
- Access to school library.

Thursday 6th
February
and Monday
24th
February.



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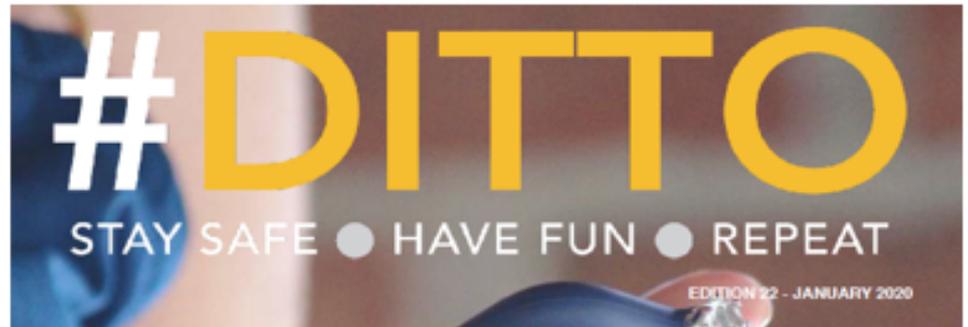


Resources for parents from DITTO magazine: this magazine from Alan MacKenzie has lots of useful information. Here are his top 4 sites to support parents with concerns about their child online:-



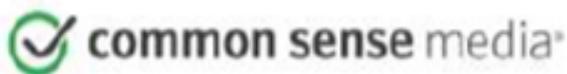
Hi there, I'm Alan Mackenzie.

I'm an independent consultant specialising in online safety, specifically within education to children, young people, schools and other organizations, and parents.



I'm quite often asked what the best resources for parents are. Not an easy question to answer as it would depend on what your concerns are, your level of knowledge, or a particular risk that you would like more information on.

Below are 4 of what I believe to be the best, current and up to date resources.



Common Sense Media

To learn more about the games or apps your children are using, Common Sense Media covers thousands, which includes advice and reviews from other parents:

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>



Internet Matters

Tons of age-specific related information created specifically for parents. Includes information to set up devices.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>



YouTube

With over 5.5 billion videos, if you need to know something there's a good chance it's here. Use simple searches such as, "What is..." "How do I..."

<https://www.youtube.com>



School

The school your child goes to is a wealth of information. If you're not sure or don't know where to turn to, they can and will help. Find out what your child does in school about online safety so that you can replicate the same advice at home.

Spelling Shed

A colorful illustration of a garden scene. In the foreground, there is a green lawn with a white picket fence. To the left is a yellow beehive with a small bee flying nearby. To the right is a wooden shed with a chimney and another bee on the roof. A large white flower with a bee on it is in the center-right. The background is a light blue sky with a white cloud.

Well done to Kaidyn P
for being our top Franche speller!

Top class was 4S

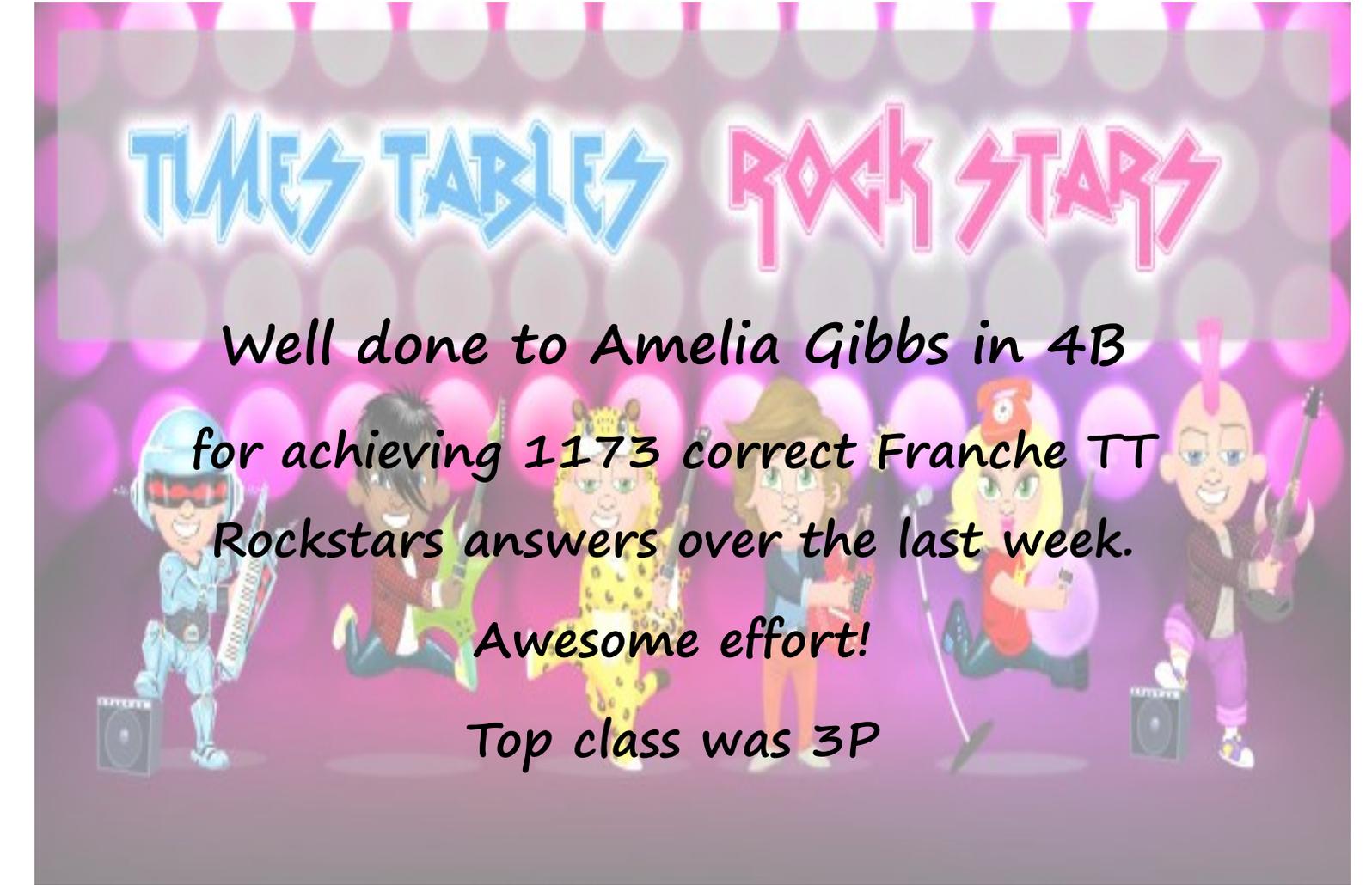
TIMES TABLES

ROCK STARS

Well done to Amelia Gibbs in 4B
for achieving 1173 correct Franche TT
Rockstars answers over the last week.

Awesome effort!

Top class was 3P

A vibrant illustration of six cartoon rock stars performing on a stage. From left to right: a robot in a blue suit with a guitar, a boy with spiky hair playing a green guitar, a girl in a yellow leopard-print outfit playing a guitar, a boy with brown hair playing a guitar, a girl with blonde hair playing a purple guitar, and a boy with a pink mohawk playing a guitar. There are two black speakers on the stage. The background is a purple and pink bokeh pattern.



Swimming Crash Courses

NEW—This February half term

Tuesday 18th—Friday 21st Feb

4 x 30 min sessions

Only £24.00



Call 01562 751788 ex 234 for more information or to book

9.00am – 9.30am	Lengths (stage 4/5) - Children must be able to swim a minimum of 10m on any stroke. They must also be able to kick 10m Frontcrawl with their face in the water and 10m Backstroke using a sculling arm action	
9.30am to 10.00am	Beginners- Age pre-school 3 ½ +Non-Swimmers to develop basic watermanship skills and confidence in the water	Stage 1 – Children aged 4 1/2 + For non-swimmers who need buoyancy aids in the water. The aim of this class is to develop independent movement in the water
10.00am to 10.30am	Stage 2 - for children who need a reduced amount of buoyancy aids, they need to be able to move forwards, backwards & sideways confidently in the water for 5m	Stage 3 - children who can swim a minimum of 5m unaided on both their front and back using an alternating leg action and a paddle arm action
10.30am to 11.00am	Stage 2 - for children who need a Reduced amount of buoyancy aids, they need to be able to move forwards, backwards & sideways confidently in the water for 5m	Stage 3 - children who can swim a minimum of 5m unaided on both their front and back using an alternating leg action and a paddle arm action
11.00am to 11.30am	Beginners- Age pre-school 3 ½+ Non-Swimmers to develop basic watermanship skills and confidence in the water	Stage 1 – Children aged 4 ½+ For non-swimmers who need buoyancy aids in the water. The aim of this class is to develop independent movement in the water
11.30am – 12.00pm	Lengths (stage 4/5) - Children must be able to swim a minimum of 10m on any stroke. They must also be able to kick 10m Frontcrawl with their face in the water and 10m Backstroke using a sculling arm action	





We would like to thank our PTA for supporting Forest School by funding new waterproof suits for our children! Keeping them dry and happy in the wet and muddy weather.



Forest School



Franche PTA Valentine Discos



Weds 5th February

Nursery & Reception

2pm-3pm

Free entry & £1 for refreshments

(Reception can bring clothes to change into at school)

Years 1 & 2

3.30pm-4.30pm

£1 entry and £1 for refreshments

(Children can bring clothes to change into at school)

Please collect from where they are normally let out at 4.30pm

Weds 12th February

Years 3 & 4

3.30pm-4.30pm

£1 entry

(Children can bring clothes to change into at school)

Please collect from upper school playground at 4.30pm

Years 5 & 6

4.45pm-5.45pm

£1 entry

Drop off & collect from Lower School Hall

**Tuck shop at both discos.
Sweets & drinks 10p to 50p available**

Dates for your Diary:



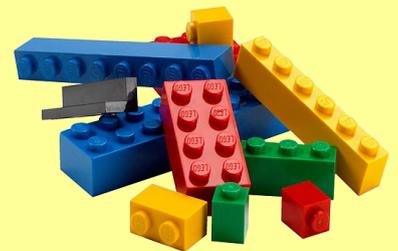
Thursday 30th January : Franche International Day
(remember to dress in the colours of a country of your choice!)



Thursday 30th January : Year 6 SATS meeting.

Information meetings for parents will be held at 2:30pm. and 5:30pm

LEGO Therapy



As a school we are introducing an intervention called 'Lego Therapy'. In order to facilitate this we need complete sets of Lego if anyone has any they can donate.

If so, please bring to Miss Cross in the Lower School Office—
Thank you

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