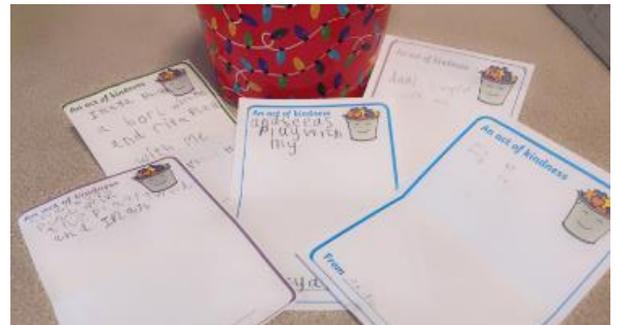
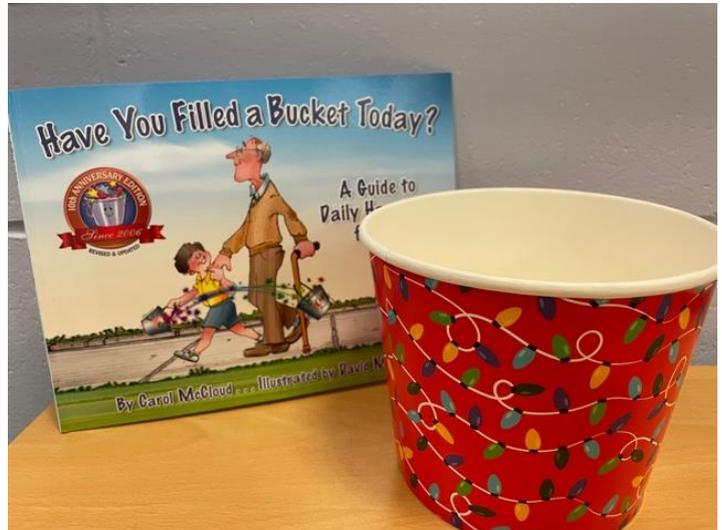


Kindness Week

This week we read the story – Have you filled a bucket today?

The story taught us that everyone carries around an invisible bucket. This bucket contains our feelings. Our bucket can be filled up with kind acts from others and we can fill the bucket of others by being kind. We discussed how we could all be bucket fillers by being kind to each other.

All classes from Year 1 – 6 had a bucket. Children had the chance to write a thank you note to others who were kind to them. They became bucket fillers!



Choir

We are happy to announce the return of Choir at Downsell Primary School!

The children will be rehearsing every Thursday lunchtimes and will have many exciting opportunities to compete and perform within the school and for the local community.

The choir will sing a range of styles, from musicals and pop songs to film songs and classical pieces.

Stay tuned!

Mrs Betts and Miss Hakeem



Year Group News

Each week we will be celebrating the learning taking place in different year groups.

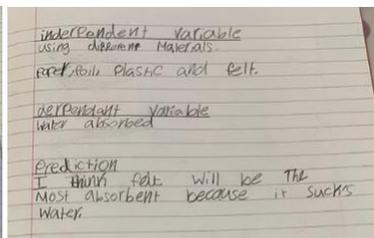
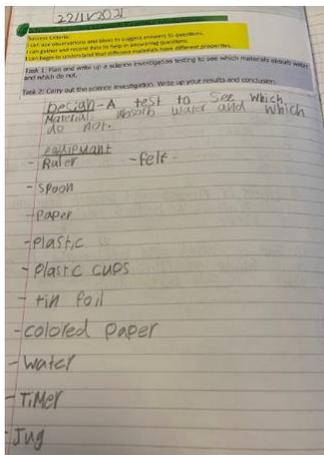
This week we are celebrating the learning that took place in Year 2 and Year 6.

Year 2

Our topic for Science this term is 'materials'

We designed a test to see which materials absorb water and which do not!

We first had to plan our science investigation. We wrote down the equipment that we would need, identified the independent and dependent variables and made a prediction:



We then carried out our investigation and wrote down our findings!



Material	Absorbs water	Does not absorb water	Appearance
Paper	X	X	Wet, white, pushy
Plastic		X	Smooth, transparent
Felt	X		Flat + bumpy
Aluminium foil		X	

Year 6

As part of road safety week, Year 6 identified hazards; such as parked cars, blind spots, distractions whilst crossing a road.

We also discussed how we could keep safe whilst travelling to and from school.



Hazard spot

Can you spot what's a hazard and what's there to keep you safe?



Our achievements this week

Attendance

As a school, we achieved 93.2% attendance this week (Reception – Year 6)

Well done to the following classes for achieving our school target (96%) or above this week: 19/11/21 – 25/11/21

Class	Attendance
Year 2 Carbon	97.6%
Year 3 Silicon	96.9%

Class	Attendance
Year 4 Platinum	98%
Year 5 Promethium	96.6%
Year 6 Krypton	96.5%

Pupil awards

Class	Child's Name		
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Iron	Labib	Henry	Andres
Titanium	Saif, Ayaan H	Amelja	Jamila
Zinc	Sara	Scarlet	Kai
Carbon	Delia, Sara, Maison, Malak	Kaden, Hawa	Anabel
Silver		Zahra, Kelsie	Fatima
Helium	Rutpi, Aisha	Amelia, Moinuddin	Rumaysa
Silicon	Fazra	Tristan	Zara
Platinum		Mihail, Ayden, Hasib, Aaliya, Menaal, Sara	Mohamud
Oxygen	Ibrahim, David, Teasia, Aisha, Kevin, Rafia, Leyann	Hussain, Rafia	Leyann
Promethium	Aya, Milena, Juyegi	Abdul-Aziz	Charlie
Cobalt	Michael, Salina, Jawaria		
Einsteinium		Asad	Nikita
Krypton	Zahra, Armaan	Adib	Mateo

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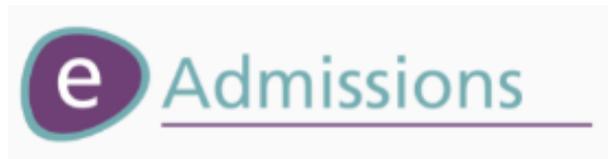
Reception Admissions – September 2022

Do you have a child or know a child who was born on / between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018? Are you / or their parents / carers looking for a place in Reception class for September 2022?

Apply for a Reception class place via the eAdmissions website: www.eadmissions.org.uk

The deadline is **Saturday 15th January 2022.**

If you need any help with this, please contact the school office to make an appointment for someone to support you.



Reminders

It is great to see so many children riding to school on their bikes or scooters!

Please can we remind all parents / carers that scooters are not to be left near the Year 1 and Year 2 entrances as the children use this area for their playground during their playtimes. Please either leave them at the bike rack located at the front of the school or take them home in the morning.



The Office

Please can we ask that you only come into the office for pre-booked, essential appointments.

When entering the office please wear a face mask unless you are exempt.



Downsell's PTA

The PTA are looking for volunteers to help them create a Winter Wonderland for our children.

If you are interested in volunteering your time to support, please contact the school office or join them on **Friday at 9am in the school hall.**



Dates for your diary

Thursday 2nd December

Aladdin Panto at Downsell

Wednesday 15th December

Christmas Dinner

Thursday 16th December

Class parties (non-uniform)

Community Nurse

Sarah Galvin, the community nursery nurse, will be hosting a school nurse drop in here at Downsell on Wednesday morning -

1st December from 9.00am.



The Educational Psychology Service offers free monthly parent/carer consultation sessions.

The next one will be on the 15th December.

You can enquire or book by calling them on 020 8496 1732 or ask Mrs Betts for more details.