

Happy Birthday

15th – Oreofeoluwasubomi
18th – Kodinna



Stars of the Week

Toddlers – Sameera Ojulari for the fantastic effort and improvement in her learning. She has tried hard to stay focused and developed her skills in numbers and expressive art.

Playgroup – Zena Omenai for always working hard on tasks and contributing to class discussions. You're a star!

Nursery – Aarya Obanikoro for being enthusiastic about participating in all class activities.

Reception – Ese Thomas-Ideh is Star of the Week for putting her best effort into all of her work. She has been practising blending sounds and writing words daily. Keep up the great work, Ese!

Year 1 – Isabella Okeowo - Very kind and helpful in class and shows empathy. She gave up part of her break to comfort her classmate who spilled his lunch and shared her colouring sheets with him. Such a laudable gesture!

Years 2/3 – Esther Adewoye. Esther has taken the driving seat in her learning this week - working independently and making remarkable improvements in all aspects of learning. She is gradually morphing into a social butterfly.

Years 4/5 – Oreoluwa Olafimihan She is striving to meet expectations by participating actively in the learning activities in class. Really proud of you Ore!

Key Dates

Friday 19th – Reception Assembly

Monday 22nd – World Poetry Day

Monday to Thursday 22nd – 25th –
Primary Tour for Nursery Parents

Thursday 25th – Holi

Friday 26th – Easter Egg Hunt



Banana Island School

A Happy School with High Expectations

Friday 12th March 2021

Women's Day started a new week. We celebrated the fantastic women who inspire us daily in our community and around the world and ended our week talking about how special our Mothers are.

Toddlers were on a *Security Watch*, Investigation and *Keeping People Safe*. Yes! They learned about friends in our neighbourhood - The Police. They got their police caps on and with their magnifying glasses, checked out fingerprints and footprints to solve the crime of who stole their toys.



An observational walk took **Playgroup** outdoors to observe the weather, trees and their serene surroundings. They identified parts of a tree and sat under it to take in the beauty whilst reading a story. The children later made an apple tree and used it to discuss colours.

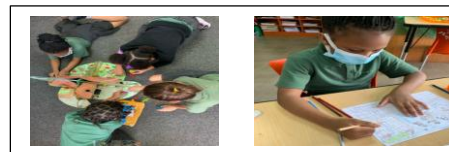


Nursery finished making their farmhouse and it looks fantastic! They discovered a very hungry caterpillar who ate lots of things: an apple, plums, oranges, pears, cupcakes and so many other things. They later learned about the cocoon and the process of turning into a butterfly. **Nursery** ended their week paying homage to their Mothers.

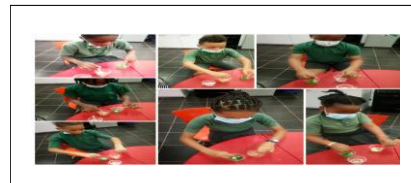
Jack and the Beanstalk captured the attention of **Reception** who focused on how things grow. They discussed planting flowers and trees and looked at the steps in this process. After displaying fantastic number knowledge, **Reception** have now shown their readiness for adding two groups of items together and counting on to find the answer. They worked on word problems and demonstrated amazing reasoning skills. Great work!

In Numeracy, **Year 1** had a great time using the scales to discover the mass of heavy and light items. They also had fun looking at the features of a diary – the emphasis was on 'time conjunctions'. Next week, **Year 1** will be making entries into their personal diaries while showing off their writing skills. The highlight of the week was their science experiment - Investigating, sorting and grouping materials that were transparent, translucent, or opaque. They had a fantastic time!

It has been an exciting week in **Years 2/3** with lots of role-play activities - discovering what the city of **Pompeii** was like before **Mount Vesuvius** erupted as well as exploring the plethora of feelings the Celts and Romans went through during **Boudicca's rebellion**. They have enjoyed being ancient Roman characters this week. In Maths, fractions have been the focus. Specifically, identifying fractions in the world around us - in food, hairstyles and on maps.



This week, in Literacy, **Years 4/5** were learning about the features of a Biography. They chose a personality dear to them and completed research, created a timeline and developed their first paragraph. In Maths, they studied **Measurements**; learning to convert units and choosing the appropriate units of measure. The Science class led to a fascinating experiment. The children investigated the viscosity of different liquids, by passing various substances through the liquids. The week ended with the children paying homage to their fabulous mothers.



Happy Mother's Day

We wish all of our fantastic, amazing and truly awesome Mothers, a very special Mother's Day. Thank you for making our job easier!

Sometimes the strength of motherhood is greater than natural laws.

– Barbara Kingsolver

Extra-Curricular Activities

As previously stated in an email, the intention is to start swimming lessons and one-on-one music tuition in the second week of the Trinity term, depending on parental demand. There will be an email concerning this soon, please respond to the office if this is something you would be interested in.

Have a fantastic weekend