

*It has certainly been a busy half term!*

*Well done to the year 2 children who took part in the Dance Festival this week - they were amazing! We are so proud of the progress made by all of the children this half term, they have a great attitude learning and want to be the best they can be. Well done, Kingsway! I wish you an enjoyable half term break and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February - where hopefully we will see the first signs of spring!*

**Year 2** This week, we further explored the features of information texts. Focusing on 'The Big Blue Whale' book, we noticed that information texts often have pictures with captions and labels to provide us with detail. We created our own animal and drew a picture with labels, using expanded noun phrases to specify. We also did some learning about plastic pollution, looking at the impact that plastic rubbish has on our oceans and wildlife. We created a poster to raise awareness on the issue.



**Reception** We have explored the Arctic this week. We have been learning lots of facts about Arctic animals. Did you know that Polar Bears have black skin? In Maths, we have been regrouping the whole using our subitising skills to find the parts of a whole number, for example 10 can be made by 5+5 or 3+7.



**Year 1** In Maths this week we have been looking at how to make the same number in different ways, we have been using resources to help us work it out such as number lines, cuisenaire rods and balancing scales. In English, we have been learning about rhymes. We looked at how words rhyme thinking about the middle and the end sounds staying the same. We explored nonsense poems and had a go at writing our own one as a class. In Science we have been thinking about what we have learned about our plants and compared two different plants together thinking about the similarities and differences between them.



WELL DONE to all the children who made it onto our 'You Make Us Proud' board.

**Poppy**      **Louie**      **Theo**  
**Sadie**      **Olivia**      **Erik**



<b>Aryana</b>	<b>Amelia</b>
<b>Raghav</b>	<b>Amelia</b>
<b>Joshua</b>	<b>John</b>

Well done to Olivia for competing in her pre-grades competition! She placed 1st on beam, 1st on floor, 2nd on vault and 3rd overall.

### Attendance

Congratulations to **ORANGE** class. Keep up the amazing work 😊

<b>RED</b>	86.0%
<b>ORANGE</b>	96.0%
<b>BLUE</b>	91.7%
<b>PURPLE</b>	92.3%
<b>GREEN</b>	94.6%
<b>YELLOW</b>	94.8%



**Safer Internet Day**  
 We discussed how the Internet is a great place to find out information, keep in touch with friends and family, watch videos and even play games, however we all know that some things on the Internet are not for children. We heard the story Buddy the Dog's Internet Safety Story. Buddy taught his owner about how to stay on his new tablet. Buddy reminded his owner that he should only ever use apps or play games that his grown up has said he can and that if he sees anything he is not sure about he should ask his grown up for help.

**Well done** to our Year 2 children that performed at the Rickmansworth Dance Festival – you all danced amazingly!



## REMINDER

Please remember to choose your child's lunch options for next half term!

HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM.  
 WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AT 8:45AM