







Hello Everyone,

It's the end of another busy week here at TBS. Our Primary students have been busy doing their Spring term PIRA assessments and will take their PUMA's the first week back after the Easter break. Our Year 11 students have sat one of their ICT practical exams this week and those studying Art will have their final Art exam next week.

To finish the term 2 we will have our Splash gala on Thursday 10th April at 1.45pm at the Two Boats Pool and the Swim gala at Travellers Hill on Friday 11th April at 9am. See you there!

Thank you to the PTA for organising the car selfie treasure hunt for Saturday 26th April, it promises to be a good day. Please see poster attached for further details. Next week on Wednesday your child will bring home an Easter egg donated by the PTA, so do look out for these.

Ms Smith leaves us this evening for overseas medical and will hopefully return before the start of term 3a. Cover for Ms Smith will be picked up by the rest of the team. Should you have any concerns or queries relating to the Primary school then please do get in touch and we will be only too happy to help. We wish Ms Smith well and look forward to her return.

House points:

The house cup was won by Cronks again this week. Well done Cronks!



Our stars of the week were Riyaaz and Kenzie in Primary and Isabella A in Secondary. Congratulations to all three students!



The house with the most house points for term 2 and winning the lollies at lunchtime was Cronks! We hope you all enjoyed the lollies.

That's it for now!

Tania Maggott Head Teacher

















HELLO FROM YEAR 5/6!

Friday 4th April 2025

One of our highlights this term has been a twinning project with a school in Lowestoft, UK, as part of our topic of 'comparing people and places'. The venture has been established with help from Conservation here in Ascension. As part of the scheme, we have enjoyed the same lessons as the pupils at St Margaret's Primary and then we will be comparing our results.



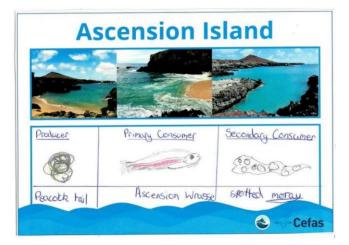
Year 5/6 children building their own marine food chains.

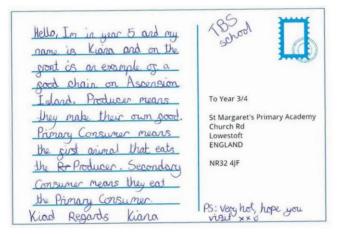
Our first lesson was all about the marine food chains and marine food webs off our coastline. We wrote about them on a postcard to the children in the UK to teach them about our different producers, primary and secondary consumers, as well as the apex predators.





Writing postcards to children in the UK, describing Ascension Island food chains





Postcards that were sent to the UK to teach them more about Ascension Island's marine life.

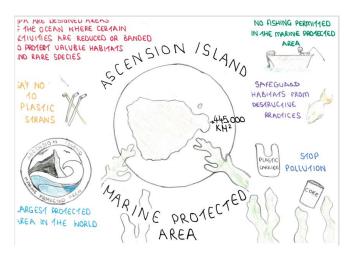


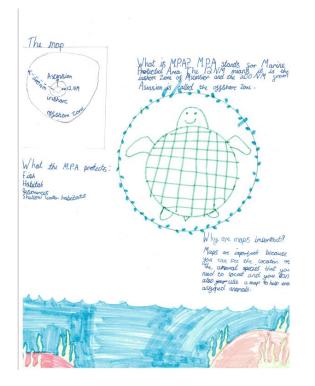
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In subsequent lessons, we learnt about the MPA and represented the information onto posters, which were also sent to the UK. Here's a few of our examples:









It was interesting to see what activities are permitted in each of the two zones, clearly identified in these posters.



Many thanks to Hayley and the wider Conservation Department for coming in to teach us about these







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important topics. We can't wait to receive the postcards and posters from St Margaret's and compare their results with ours.

This is what some of the children said about their lessons:

The lessons were great fun and we learnt a lot. I really enjoyed learning more about our marine life and it will be really interesting to compare it to the UK. (Tanzi)

I can't wait to see the results from the U.K. It will be really interesting to compare our marine life and MPA with Lowestoft. I'm excited to see their postcards and posters. (Gabi)

It's very strange to think that the children in the UK had the same lesson that we did. I hope the postman comes quickly and delivers our post! (Eva)

- The ASI MPA covers 100% of Ascension's waters, an area of over 445,000 km².
- No large-scale commercial fishing or seabed mining is permitted
- The ocean around Ascension is a special place, supporting many species that are found nowhere else on earth.
- Thousands of nesting turtles and seabirds take advantage of our speck of dry land in the middle of the Atlantic. The MPA seeks to protect all of these and the natural processes that sustain them.
- Ascension Island is the tip of a 3.8km high volcano rising from a point of crustal weakness on the sea floor.
- 99.9% of the MPA is comprised of pelagic habitats - open oceanic waters deeper than 500m and descending at their maximum to over 4,000m.
- Hydrothermal vents found along the Mid Atlantic Ridge provide habitats for communities of specialised creatures.



Here are some of the facts we learnt about the MPA:

• The MPA was established in 2019