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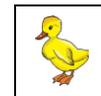
Enjoying and Achieving Together

Class News

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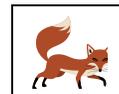
Ducklings

Welcome back! The children have all settled back in brilliantly. This fortnight we have started our new topic of 'Things That Go' and we have been focusing on rockets and space this week. We have made pictures of rockets and have experimented by mark making with different types of cars. We also had a new piece of furniture added into the nursery last week which we have turned into a reading den. The children were very excited to use it and we have observed some wonderful interactions happening inside it.



Fox

This fortnight we have started our new topic of Castles and Buildings. We have thought about all of the different famous buildings we know and have had great fun with junk modelling our own buildings. In literacy we have started to learn our new Talk 4 Writing text; Kassim and the Greedy Dragon. We have remembered the words and actions brilliantly. In maths we are working on our number recognition and 2D shapes, which we have enjoyed. As part of our topic work, we went for a little walk around Cleobury to look at different building and structures in the village. We enjoyed looking at the church and the different materials that have been used to build it with. Cubs have been busy learning their new Talk 4 Writing text; The Room on the Broom. We have looked at learning the language patterns of the text, as well looking at the main characters. In maths, we have been looking at counting backwards and forwards to 100.



Badger

Badger class have had a fantastic start to the Spring term. In English, the children have been looking at the author, Julia Donaldson with a focus on 'Room on the Broom'. After researching her and writing to her with their questions, the children text mapped the story and then went on to innovate the story into one with a nautical theme. In maths, the children have continued working on their number bonds moving from addition to subtraction using a variety of resources including numicon, number lines, counters, number cards and ten frames. They have worked particularly hard on problem solving and use of logical order. We have also started our new topic 'An Island Home' and can't show you our lighthouses!



Hedgehog

We have had a great start to the term.

In maths, we have been looking at making and adding equal groups, repeated addition and multiplication. The children are also determined to learn their two times table.

In English, we have started our new unit on character description. They have been learning some new vocabulary and have shown that they understand their definitions.

In P.E. the children were very lucky as they had a session with a sports coach. They listened really well and improved their ball handling skills during the session.

We have also started our new topic and this half term we are learning about islands.



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Rabbit

Rabbit class have been continuing to work hard since being back from their Christmas break. We have started the term with writing a short story where our character meets a mythical creature. They have been brilliant to read and demonstrates the joy the children have taken from the unit. In maths we have continued with our work on multiplication and division, focusing on the grid method for multiplication and dividing on a number line. We have started our new topic of The Roman Empire by chronologically ordering events in history. Our knowledge of the prehistory came in handy! An excellent start to the term from Rabbit Class.



Hare

A good week for Hare class. In Maths, we have been continuing our focus on fractions and have been looking at strategies to help us add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. In Literacy, the children have planned and drafted their newspaper reports on 'The true story of the three little pigs'. In Topic, we have started to look at the Ancient Egyptians and why they believed the River Nile was so important!



Otter

We have started the new term with new topics of Rainforests and Life Cycles. The children have been really interested in both of these. We have planted broad bean seeds and hope that they will soon start to grow.

On Wednesday, we went to Lacon Childe for a dodge ball tournament against Stottesdon. It was great to see how quickly the children learnt this new game and became fully involved. They showed enthusiasm and good sporting attitudes.

Please can you make sure your child has the correct warm PE kit please, as we will be doing outdoor work each week. We will be visiting the library next Wednesday.



Mole

Moles class have just started a journalistic writing unit in English based on the events which take part in the poem, The Highwayman. In Maths, the children have been learning how to calculate using the formal methods of long multiplication and long division. The class took part in a dodgeball tournament at Lacon Childe School, winning several games and in Topic we have just begun our new topic of Rainforests with research into which the world contain tropical rainforests.



Deer

First of all Happy New Year. Year 6 have had a bumper historical start back to school with an enthralling talk by Mr Parker who encapsulated the WWII period with fascinating, first-hand artefacts such as British and German uniforms. Pupils were encouraged to feel the objects and get a sense of what it might have felt like to live and fight through wartime Britain. Some of the artefacts are directly from Mr Parker's relatives who were involved in the war and some he had collected over time. The children gained much from this talk including a desire to seek out wartime information relating to their own families which I'm sure you already know. Part of our topic work has put us directly into character where we have improved and refined our perception of how an evacuee must have felt, through letters home to parents. These will form our new topic display available to see in school shortly.



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Stars of the week!

This week's 'Stars of the Week' are:

Deer	Tilly
	Billy
Mole	Grace
	Tyler
Otter	Katie
	Solomon
Hare	Spencer
	Amber
Rabbit	Luke M
	Purdie
Hedgehog	Kobi
	Lilia
Badger	Lexi T
	Ben
Fox	Sophie
	Orla
Duckling	Oshan
	Priya

Attendance
WELL DONE
MOLE 97.47%

Congratulations to you all!

House points:

House	Week's Total	Overall Total
Housman	133	2220
Jebb	84	1948
Owen	127	1761
Webb	101	1944

Congratulations to all of the members of Housman.

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