

"Growing and Learning Together with God"

Spring Term 1 Value : Inspired Minds and Wisdom



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Message from Mr Hart

This week, because of staff absence, I've been delighted to work with our youngest children. They have enjoyed exploring both the inside the classroom and outside where their resilience and great ideas came to the fore (although a little muddy!). Our EYFS team have worked incredibly hard to ensure that the children receive the very best opportunities.

We have been very fortunate to have Mr Louis Parsons working in our Sharks class as undertakes his teacher training placement. We are also pleased to welcome Miss Ellie Speed in Early Years. She is a highly qualified practitioner and is going to extend her training still further so is enjoying supporting the children in Early Years on her current placement.

All staff stayed at school on Tuesday evening for a training workshop on maximising the use of Teaching Assistants in the classroom, which has had some very positive feedback.

On Wednesday night I met with our wonderful FoFS group via Zoom and found out that, as always, they are planning some fantastic events to raise money and enable us to provide resources for our children. I am so grateful for the hard work of this excellent team.

Class Activities

Tiddlers & Minnows

The children in the Early Years unit have had a busy week thinking about how to stay warm in the cold Winter weather and what Winter looks like here in England.

In Maths the Minnows have been looking at things which are long and short, and going around the classroom to identify them.

They all had an enjoyable PE session this morning which helped everyone to warm up!



Class Activities (continued)

Sticklebacks

Sticklebacks really enjoyed the Multiskills Festival at Heyford Park Sports Centre yesterday, where they took part in a variety of activities such as balancing a tennis ball on a racquet, hockey skills, and target throwing. The Sport's Value was self-belief and the following children demonstrated this to a high level : Poppy S, Myah P-H, Connor D and Brody H.

Other learning this week has involved finishing and editing their adventure stories, composing and playing glockenspiels, and identifying animal body parts.

Seahorses



This week the children in Seahorses have been making artwork of animals that live in South America, linked to their topic. They really enjoyed the challenge of decorating their birds and it put their resilience to the test!

The year 2s have been developing their skills on the 2, 5 and 10 times table while the year 3s have been multiplying 2-digit numbers by a 1-digit number with exchanges!



In PE they have been continuing to develop their

dances, this week exploring contrasting motifs of an animal and hunter, as well as improving their skills in passing a ball.



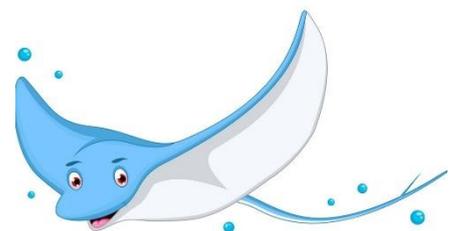
Stingrays

In Maths this week Stingrays have been revisiting multiplying 2-digit numbers. They used place value counters to help complete this practically and then made great progress in written calculations as well.

Their work on Biographies continues with them all debating what a fact or opinion is. The class were very good at using the text to support their views.

Their science topic concluded with an investigation into the sound of pitch given by bottles filled with coloured water and using their scientific vocabulary to explain the process.

The teachers have been so impressed with the progress in swimming this term and the swimming instructors at the pool are more than impressed with the effort and resilience shown.



Class Activities (continued)

Sharks

In English this week, Sharks have been reading and sharing different Greek myths to help them find out about three Greek goddesses, making inferences about their characters and gathering information to decide which goddess deserves the apple inscribed 'To the fairest.'

In Maths they have been learning about percentages, building their recall of equivalence between fractions, decimals and percentages and calculating percentages of an amount.

Sharks enjoyed getting the apparatus out for this week's gymnastic lesson, showing great teamwork and trust as they explored ways to create interesting counter-balances with a partner.

Through their focused learning, great teamwork and good behaviour, Sharks have earned a marble jar treat and have chosen to spend time in the outdoor area. **Therefore please could they bring their forest school clothing to school on Tuesday 15th February for their afternoon treat.**



'Child of the Week'

Minnows

Harlan E and Edward v H

Sticklebacks

Ben C and Saffron M-C

Seahorses

Harry P and Lucas P

Stingrays

Miguel P and Thomas T

Sharks

Harvey B and Harry T



Super Sentence Writers :

Minnows

Pippa C and Felix R

Sticklebacks

Poppy S and Reid C

Family Group Points :

Griffin

Whole School Attendance : 94.96%

Bloxham Music Day

On Thursday three of our young musicians, Finn M-J, Theo E and Evelyn B, were invited to Bloxham School for a special day of music, along with a few pupils from other schools. The children had workshops in the morning, during which they learnt a new piece on their instruments and a song which they would be singing. After a delicious lunch they took part in a concert, to which parents were invited, and played and sang together after only two hours of learning and practising! The day was thoroughly enjoyed by our three students and we were impressed with their ability and performance.



Year 1 Multiskills Festival

We were very proud of our Year 1 children at the festival yesterday; our children looked the smartest and were extremely well-behaved throughout.



Year 6 Football Match



Yesterday afternoon our Year 6 footballers played a match against Marsh Gibbon Primary School in Bicester. The play was superb with excellent performances from all our boys and everyone was thrilled to end the game on 6-1 to us.

Go Team Fritwell!

FoFS

Valentine's Day delicious treat on the 14th February!

Friends of Fritwell school are holding a pop-up Valentine's doughnut sale - Krispy Kreme ones! – on Monday next week. They are **£1.00** each and all money raised will go towards the school.

Come along after school to the playground and grab a treat.

Children who are due to go to after school club or home on the bus will get an opportunity to grab a treat a little earlier.

Please bring cash - pound coins/change would be appreciated.

Enjoy! ❤️ 🍩

Keep warm this weekend!

Kind regards,

Jon Hart
Headteacher



Mondays a.m.

Tuesdays – 3.30 to 4.30pm

Wednesdays – 3.30 to 4.15pm

Wednesday Lunchtimes

Thursdays a.m.

Thursdays – 3.30 to 4.15pm

Thursdays – 3.30 to 4.30pm

Friday – 1.00pm

Friday – 1.15pm

Music for Schools Music Lessons

Football Club (Adam Bradley) Years 2 - 6

Sewing Circle Club Years 4 - 6

Boys Football Club Years 5 – 6

iRock

MultiSports Club (Premier) Years 1 - 3

Girls Football Club Years 4 - 6

Stingrays – Swimming

Sharks – Forest School

Monday 14th February

Wednesday 16th February

Thursday 17th February

Tuesday 1st March

Wednesday 2nd March

Tuesday 8th March

Tuesday 8th March

Tuesday 15th March

Wednesday 16th March

Wednesday 16th March

Mon 21st to Thurs 24th March

Wednesday 23rd March

Thursday 24th March

Friday 25th March

Tuesday 29th March

Thursday 31st March

Thursday 7th April

Thursday 26th May

Tuesday 5th July

Tuesday 12th July

FoFS Valentine's Doughnut Sale after School



Boys Football Match vs Bure Park - away

Girls Football Match vs Marsh Gibbon – home

FoFS Pancake Sale after School

Boys Football Match vs Brookside - away

SEN Parent/Teacher Evening

Sharks Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Parent/Teacher Evening

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Boys Football Match vs Langford Village - home

Year 5 Bikeability Training

NCMP Weights & Heights – Reception and Year 6

Girls Football Match vs Bure Park – away

School Disco

Stingrays Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Girls Football Match vs Chesterton

iRock Concert 9.30am

Sticklebacks Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Seahorses Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Tiddlers & Minnows Sharing Assembly 2.45pm