"Growing and Learning Together with God"



Summer Term 2 Value: Community, Citizenship and Service



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Newsletter 9 Summer Term

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Dear Parents and Carers,



Message from Mr Hart

Many thanks to everyone who supported our children at Sports day today. A great time was had by all, despite the summer showers, and it was good to see pupils showing their skills, natural ability and perseverance. There was a lovely atmosphere with children encouraging one another and being proud of their achievements.

This week our Tiddlers and Minnows team visited a school to share good practice with another Early Years setting and look at the provision for our children.

On Wednesday our Year 5 pupils spent the day at Heyford Park School to see what secondary school is like and to view the opportunities available when the time comes for them to transition from primary to a secondary school of their choice. We appreciate the chance for our students to have this experience; they all seemed to have gained a great deal from the day and were delighted to be given a Slush Puppy into the bargain!

During the week I represented the school on a Special Needs panel meeting. Panels meet with a number of different professionals to make the decision regarding funded provisions for those pupils who need extra support. As we are always proactive in trying to attract funding for our children it was good to be on the other side of the operation in order to see the decision-making process in operation.

Our Governing body met on Tuesday evening, with the focus being on the outcome of our Ofsted step report and subsequent points for action.

On Wednesday 6th July we welcome into school our SIAMs Inspector, Matt Fletcher, who will look at the way our Church of England status supports the provision we give to our pupils, staff and families. I have already made contact and will be providing him with supporting documentation.

Message from Mr Hart (continued)

September 2022

As we approach the end of the school year it is that exciting time when the children look forward to moving up to their next year group.

Teachers always give a good deal of thought to the composition of these groups and we are extremely lucky to have a consistent staff team going forward into the academic year 2022/2023.

The breakdown of the classes in September 2022 will be as follows:

Class	Year Groups	Teacher	Teaching Assistant(s)
Tiddlers and Minnows	Nursery and	Miss Sarah Williams	Miss Diane Fricker
	Reception		Mrs Lisa Mooney
			Mrs Michelle Kimber
			Mrs Beth Bartram
Sticklebacks	1 and 2	Mrs Jo Ejiogu	Mrs Maria Clayton
Seahorses	2 and 3	Mr Charlie Harris	Miss Claire Radley
Stingrays	4 and 5	Mrs Kathryn Churchill	Mrs Stacey Palmer
		Ms Caroline Allen	Mrs Liz Lyons
Sharks	5 and 6	Mrs Helen Montgomery	Mrs Kim Weaver
			Mrs Liz England
			Miss Kate O'Callaghan
			A N Other

Our Year 5 pupils will be split between the two top class groups and our Year 2 children between Sticklebacks and Seahorses. These groups will work very closely together. To be as fair and equitable as possible we have placed the pupils in each class by age. Support for these groups will be carefully targeted to ensure every child has maximum opportunities and that no-one is disadvantaged.

On Wednesday 6th July we shall be having a 'Move up/Class Swap' morning during which children will be meeting staff from their new classroom. On that day each child will then take home a letter from his/her 'new' teacher.

I know that all staff are looking forward to meeting their new classes and preparing a full and positive year ahead.

Next Friday your child's school report will be given out to take home. Any child living between two different households will take home two reports, addressed to mother and father respectively. You will then need to make sure that one is given to the other parent.



Class Activities

Tiddlers & Minnows

This week the Minnows and Tiddlers have been very busy preparing for their sharing worship and Sports Day. They were very excited to welcome parents in on Tuesday to share with them all the hard work they have done this year.



They have also taken part in various sports throughout the week, doing a great job of following instructions during their Yoga lesson and the Minnows showed great enthusiasm for Taekwondo. The children have loved getting to practise their events for sports day and have worked really hard to achieve their best.

Well done Minnows and Tiddlers!



Sticklebacks

This week Sticklebacks have enjoyed making clay models of animals both big and small. They are now waiting for the clay to dry out so that they can paint them.

They have been working on 2-digit numbers up to 100 in Maths and have been solving word problems and explaining how we know mathematical facts. In English they have been practising their spellings.

The children also really enjoyed their yoga and Taekwondo sessions, and their wellbeing morning in Forest School where they roasted marshmallows with Mr Pemble!











Class Activities (continued)

Seahorses

This week the class has had a brilliant time learning to play handball and yoga – they felt so calm after the latter!

They have also been learning about their teeth and made posters about how and why they take care of them. Sports Day really tested their resilience but they were able to achieve amazing Personal Successes!





Stingrays

Stingrays started off their week with a fantastic session with the Taekwondo teacher and really used this to work on their coordination and *resilience*. After this they were able to unwind with a Yoga session which helped them to find inner peace. They have really used some of the techniques to help them calm their minds and control their personal power.

In Maths they have continued their problem solving with decimals and the class have been exploring ways in which they can work systematically. In Geography they have started to create diagrams of earthquakes, volcanoes, and tsunamis, ready for their class display.

Amongst all the business, Stingrays found time to rehearse for Sports Day and think about ways in which they can use their *endurance* to show great *personal success*. The staff were really impressed with their attitude to teamwork and perseverance.







Class Activities (continued)

Sharks

Phew! What a week: Sports Week, Shakespeare Rocks rehearsals, Year 5 secondary taster day at Heyford, Year 6 cricket final! I hope that Sharks have a restful weekend because this has been one non-stop week!

In addition to all this, Sharks have completed their final Maths unit on co-ordinates and transformations. They showed great resilience when problem solving, especially those who had never learnt about translations before and managed to work out that to 'translate' a shape meant to 'move' it from the context of the problem.



'Child of the Week'

Due to Sports Day today certificates will be handed out in Worship on Monday.

Tiddlers Emilee L
Minnows George M

Sticklebacks

Seahorses

William A and Louise F

Stingrays

Pixie-Li N and Chloe D

Sharks

Seb W and Rowan L





Year 5 and 6 Boys Cricket Finals

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 boys who attended the Dyanamos Cricket Finals at the Stratfield Brake Grounds in Kidlington on Thursday.

There were many teams playing and our boys won two games and lost one. They then went on to play some friendly matches with the other teams.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable day for all the boys and Mrs Weaver, apart from the rain at the end!



Sports Day

We can imagine that there are some very tired children this evening, after a week of activities indoors and out. Well done to everyone for giving of their best for Sports Day today, especially the Unicorn family group, who came first overall, followed by Griffin, Pegasus and Phoenix.

Many thanks must go, yet again, to Kathryn Churchill for her hard work and organisation of the event and to all the staff members who have spent a lot of time with their classes practising and sorting out children for races.













** Current Vacancy **

We are still looking for a 1:1 part-time Teaching Assistant in September 2022. If you, or anyone you know, may be interested, please look at the website under 'About Us' and 'Vacancies' to read about the job and find out more details.

We hope that you all have a relaxing weekend!

Kind regards,

Jon Hart *Headteacher*



Mondays Mondays Tuesdays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Thursdays Thursdays MfSF Music Lessons
Forest School Club – Years 1 to 3
Year 6 Brass
Adam Bradley Football Club
Sewing Club – Years 4 to 6
Early Years Forest School
Gymnastics Club – Years 1 to 4
Field Sports Club – Years 4 to 6

Monday 4th July Stingrays Forest School 'Wellbeing Morning'

Tuesday 5th July Seahorses Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Wednesday 6th July Class Swap Day

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Tuesday 12th July Minnows, Sticklebacks & Seahorses Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

Thursday 14th July iRock Summer Concert 9.30am Friday 15th July Year 6 Leavers' Trip to Hill End

Monday 18th July Sharks Forest School 'Wellbeing Morning'

Monday 18th July Year 6 Leavers' Barbeque Party

Tuesday 19th July Year 6 Leavers' Service and Presentation 10.00am

Tuesday 19th July Last Day of School

Wednesday 20th July Start of Summer Holidays!

Wednesday 7th September Start of Term and new Academic Year