#### "Growing and Learning Together with God"

Summer Term 1 Value: Confidence, Self-belief and Endurance



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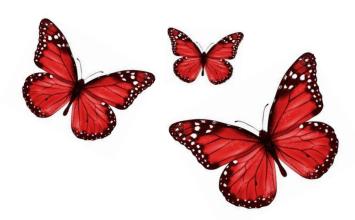
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## **Newsletter 1 Summer Term**

Friday 29th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,



#### Message from Mr Hart

I do that hope everyone enjoyed their Easter break and the lovely weather.

It is good to be back in school and see everyone looking refreshed and ready for a busy term. We are very pleased to see Miss Sarah Williams back in Early Years and feeling better. I know the children were delighted to see her.

Our older children will be doing their standard tests (SATs) in a couple of weeks and assessments will take place as part of this term's focus to give information for further development of our students.

Today we say goodbye to Emma Howse, who has worked in the kitchen for Fresh Start and has been an integral part of our Breakfast Club and After School Club provision. We are very sorry to see her leave but wish her everything of the best for her future and know that she will be successful in her career move.

During the holidays our new reflection area was completed and it has been lovely to see our children making use of this quiet space over the last week.



#### **Class Activities**

#### **Tiddlers & Minnows**

The Tiddlers and Minnows have quickly settled back into the routines of school and are ready for the busy term that lies ahead. They have started their new topic of Minibeasts by reading the story 'The Ugly Bug Club' and answering the question: what is a minibeast? After doing some research into minibeasts, they then went on a minibeast hunt around the school grounds. On this hunt, the children found spiders, woodlice, worms, and much more. They showed great care and **Respect** for the natural world by carefully moving objects and being quiet so they did not scare the minibeasts.

The Minnows have also worked hard on their Super Sentences this week, all the Minnows wrote a sentence describing what they could see in a picture and were able to demonstrate their impressive Phonics skills. The Tiddlers have showed **Compassion** to their new Tiddler friends by modelling activities and showing the new children around the classroom, this has helped their

new friends settle into the classroom and made their transition easier.



#### Sticklebacks

The Sticklebacks have been on a Spring walk around school and have started to make a book about Spring on the iPads, using Book Creator.

In English they are reading 'The Secret Sky Garden' and are looking forward to writing instructions to make a garden. In their geography lesson they identified physical and human features on aerial photos.

#### Seahorses

This week the Seahorses have developed their skills at problem solving, using fractions. They have also been progressing with their reading ability, as they have been reading their new book 'The Couch Potato'. In geography the children have had their first lesson looking at orienteering and have also enjoyed their first PE session.

#### **Stingrays**

Stingrays have had an exciting start to their week with their first session of Forest School with Mr Pemble. *Inspired Minds* were needed when they were creating their Forest School pets and they certainly made a very fine menagerie.

#### Class Activities (continued)

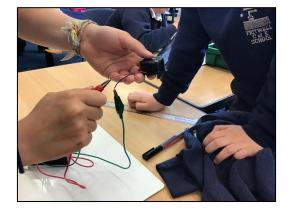
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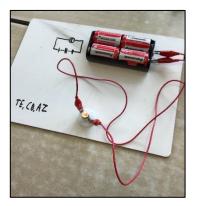




They have also spent a lot of their week being scientists, as they completed their Electricity unit of work - they loved making circuits, though Ms Allen and Mrs Churchill were less keen on the ones that included

buzzers!





Salvador Dali certainly provoked much discussion and the children are all looking forward to creating some artwork inspired by his surreal artwork. They also started their work on this term's topic 'Disasters' and will be using two books about floods to inspire their writing.

#### Sharks

Sharks have been reading about some great adventures this week: a Sherpa who has summited Everest 17 times, a WW2 prisoner-of-war who escaped prison to fulfil his dream of climbing Mt Kenya and a climber who survived a head injury on 'The Wall of Death'. All of these climbers have definitely shown this term's value of **Confidence, Self-belief and Endurance** as they have faced the challenges posed by the mountains they've climbed; hopefully they will inspire our Year 6 as they shortly face the challenge of their SATS!

In Maths Sharks have been learning to represent problems using algebra and how to resolve two-step algebraic equations - plenty of **Confidence, Self-belief and Endurance** needed there! They have also used Active Maths sessions to revise how to multiply fractions and locate co-ordinates in all four quadrants. Well done to all the Sharks for their excellent effort and focus during this busy week of action-packed revision!

#### 'Child of the Week'

Tiddlers & Minnows Evie W and Harlan E

Sticklebacks Poppy S and Myah P-H

Seahorses Perran E and George M

Stingrays Jack W, Thomas T and Sam O'G

Sharks Adam K and Daisy K

Super Sentence Writers:

Minnows Edward v H and Max M
Sticklebacks Connor D and Samuel C

Family Group Points: Unicorn Whole School Attendance: 98.16%



Next week all clubs will be running as per the timetable you received last term, including Adam Bradley's Football Club. Please see reminders below.

Mondays - MfSF music lessons from Monday 9th May, Stingrays Forest School, Forest School Club

Tuesdays – Brass lessons, Adam Bradley Football Club

Wednesdays - Sewing Club

Thursdays – MfSF music lessons this Thursday only, iRock, Gymnastic Club, Field Sports Club

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**Wednesday** 4<sup>th</sup> **May** – Boys Football Match vs Kings Meadow at home **Thursday** 5<sup>th</sup> **May** – Year 3 & 4 Tennis Tournament at Bicester Tennis Club

#### Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools

In previous years we have signed up to do a collection of secondhand clothing for Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools and we are doing so again on **Tuesday 28**<sup>th</sup> **June**; please start saving your unwanted <u>good quality</u> clothing and shoes for this date. We are paid for each kilogram of clothes we collect and with nearly two months in which to accumulate your donations we could make some extra money for our school. Please look out for more communication about this over the next few weeks.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday!

Kind regards,

Jon Hart

Headteacher





Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April & 5th May MfSF Music Lessons – as per emails

Mondays MfSF Music Lessons – from 9<sup>th</sup> May

Mondays Stingrays Forest School

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Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Bank Holiday

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May Boys' Football Match vs Kings Meadow B – home

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May Year 3 & 4 Tennis Tournament – Bicester – 9.30am to 12.00pm

Monday  $9^{th} - 12^{th}$  May

Year 6 SATs

Monday  $16^{th} - 19^{th}$  May

Year 2 SATs

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May Sticklebacks Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Half Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June Inset Day – no children in school

Tuesday 7th JuneBack to SchoolWednesday 8th JuneClass Photographs

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June Rags 2 Riches Clothing Collection
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July Seahorses Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July Sports Day

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July Tiddlers & Minnows Sharing Assembly 2.45pm