



Dear Parents,

The focus this week in our Collective Worship has continued to be Forgiveness, our value this term. We looked at different readings from the Bible which linked to forgiveness and thought about what we can learn from these to use in our everyday lives. In our discussions, we spoke about who had made mistakes and found that, in some cases, everyone could have done things differently and that talking things through and admitting where we have gone wrong helps to move towards forgiveness.

This week we had this term's last Forest School sessions for Year 5&6 and 1&2, ending with an exciting session involving cooking, making bread over the fire pit! The reviews were all 5-star ratings. After half term, these classes will start gymnastics sessions on a Tuesday whereas Year 3&4 and FSU will return to Forest School sessions.

We have had a busy sporting week with a girl's football festival and a Key Stage 2 Rugby festival, both great opportunities for the children to have chance to try out new sports, mix with children from other schools and enjoy being active! The girls from Year 2,3 and 4 had a great time and ended the festival with two wins which they were very pleased with.

We will finish the term next week with our Easter Service at St Mary's Church. This will be led by Year 3&4 and will also be our final opportunity to say goodbye to Reverend Lisa. The Easter Service will be at 2pm on Thursday 28th March. We hope families will be able to join us. The children will return to school for the end of the day at 3:15pm.

Wishing you all a good weekend,

Nadia Gosling



Reminder to Parents

We have had concerns shared with us about dangerous parking on Fencott Road and the nearby roads.

Please be mindful when parking outside school, respecting the road markings and considering the safety of all road users and our pupils.



Headteacher Award

Daisy B

Well Done!



Our Stars of the Week

Kai

+

Lara

William

Harry B

+

Harry M

Zac

Alby

Eli

Isla

Maison

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 5&6 with:

97% attendance

Whole school attendance

92%

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am
8:30am—8:45am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm
or 3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place using the app.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by **Midday Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged.

As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required.

Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you are late picking up your child you will be charged for the later session.

Diary dates

- **PTA Easter Family Quiz**
- **25th March—Yr5&6 Youlbury trip meeting for parents**
- **27th March Yr5&6 Bicester Schools Football League last match**
- **28th March— Easter Service, 2pm at St. Mary's Church**
- **28th March—School finishes for Easter**
- **15th April—School starts**
- **23rd April Year 3&4 Trip to The Living Rainforest.**



ECO COUNCIL



Volunteers needed

The Parish Council are looking for volunteers to start up a Community Speed Watch group. We need a minimum of three, plus a co-ordinator. PC Turnham attended our meeting last night which was very positive. Please contact the clerk or any Parish Councillor if you would like to volunteer.

FSU

This week we have had been looking at the insects in some of Eric Carle's stories: **The Very Busy Spider** and **The Bad Tempered Ladybird**. A very popular activity was weaving spiders webs around lolly sticks- which even the youngest were pretty good at! We have also done lots of reading and writing practice, including in independent learning time - keen children!



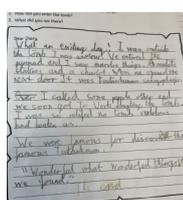
Year 1 & 2

We have had a very creative week in Year 1 and 2. We started on Monday by making Maasai Tribe necklaces and performing the jumping dance. On Tuesday, we had a lovely visitor come and answer lots of our questions about plants, it was extremely interesting! Finally, we started creating some beautiful Easter cards in RE and even tasted some hot cross buns, they were very yummy.



Year 3 & 4

This week our obsession with the Ancient Egyptians continues, particularly as the children have been studying *The Story of Tutankhamun* as their English text. They have been piecing together their understanding of the various characters in Tutankhamun's life, as well as learning about Howard Carter and his team of archaeologists who finally uncovered the amazing tomb of the Boy King in the 1920s. We have been studying sources to gather evidence, we have acted out the discovery of the tomb in a role play activity and we have written diary entries from the point of view of Carter. This will lead on to the children writing Howard Carter biographies next week. Today there was even some 'excavating' happening in the playground at playtime and I was shown some clues that there may be a hidden tomb somewhere in our playground!



Year 5 & 6

We had a fun practical maths lesson learning about the mean and averages this week. We found the mean weight of some chocolate bars, the mean height of our groups and the mean of some playing cards to see who had the highest! Miss Airey has also been making too many puns about being 'mean'! Next Tuesday, we are building art models with an electric circuit. Some children would like to use cardboard boxes and similar junk modelling items for their design. If you have these items please bring them in - the children have a list in their reading records of what they need.



Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Clarke, Miss Giles or Mrs Gosling should you have any safeguarding concerns.