



Dear Parents,

I am delighted to be able to share with you our Ofsted report.

Charlton-on-Otmoor Church of England Primary School continues to be a good school!

The report highlights the strengths of the school as well as the progress which has taken place over the past three years. I have included below a few quotes from the inspection:

'Pupils love attending Charlton-on-Otmoor Church of England Primary School. Leaders and staff share high expectations for their pupils. Pupils rise to these expectations and are enthusiastic about learning.'

'The learning environment is vibrant and stimulating.'

'Leaders and governors are ambitious for all pupils.'

'The teaching of early reading is a strength of the school.'

'Staff are really proud to work at the school. There is a real sense of belonging and family in the small but dedicated staff team.'

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support and commitment to the school. This has been a team effort with everyone playing an instrumental part in making Charlton such a fantastic school.



Have a great weekend and enjoy reading the report in full.

Mr Griffin

School Dates

Friday 18th November - Christmas Clothes Sale after school in the Percy Collett Room (we will be asking parents for donations of outgrown Christmas clothes)

Tuesday 22nd November— Flu Immunisation programme for those that have consented (Reception up to and including Year 6)

Friday 25th November - Christmas Wreath Making Evening in the hall, refreshments available. Contact Lynne Bustin to book your space.

Wednesday 30th November - Rags to Riches collection

Wednesday 14th December 2pm & 6pm—Whole School Christmas Nativity. At the church.

Lest We Forget.

For Remembrance Day the children in CAST have created a lovely display to honour all of those that have served for our country.



This morning, the whole school gathered in the hall for the Remembrance Service. We read a few poems, watched a video about the importance of the poppies and held a two minute silence.

Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 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 Sunday for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. (Although we appreciate that you may need to book on last minute- and that is no problem, this will just help our CAST team to plan ahead.)

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 3 & 4 with:

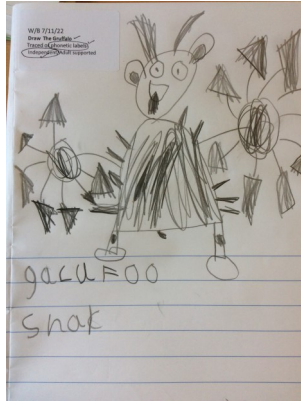
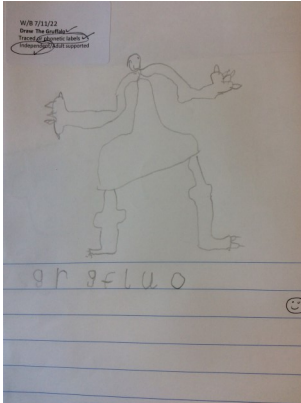
99.46% Attendance

Keep it up!

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

Early Years

In FSU this week we have been reading one of our core texts- The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. As part of their literacy work the children were asked to draw and then label the Gruffalo and any other characters from the story. Here are Asher's and Evie's pictures. They used their phonics knowledge to sound out the words independently!



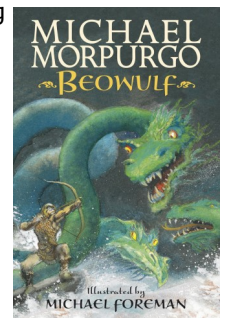
Year 1 & 2

This week we started our new DT project where we will be designing our own fire engines. We started this week linking it with our science and thinking about different materials. We sorted materials from the classroom based on their properties. We then thought about which materials would be best for the different parts of the fire engines.

Next week we will be building our houses from 1666 and making wheels for our fire engines.

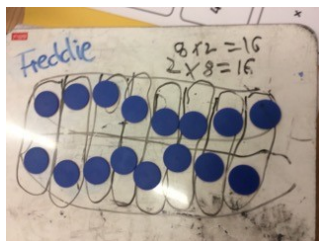
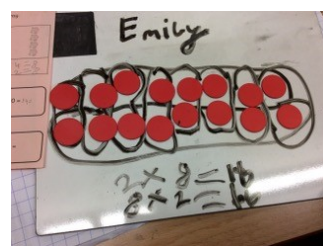
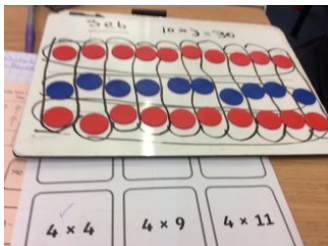
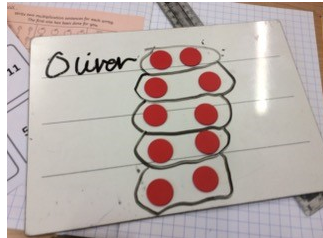
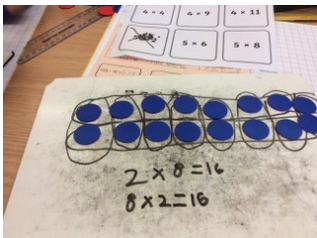
Year 5 & 6

Year 5/6 have been busy writing letters in English this week linked with their class text, Beowulf. They were writing to King Hrothgar, offering pieces of advice about how to deal with the fearful monster, Grendel, which was destroying his mead-hall and killing his men every night. The pupils came up with very imaginative ideas, including setting up a trap with electric eels!



Year 3 & 4

This week year 3 and 4 have been exploring and using arrays to develop their understanding of multiplication and equal groups. We used counters to create equal groups to represent multiplication number sentences.



Celebrations this week



Class	Value	Reason
Early Years	Love (of Learning)	Geordie—For Excellent Gruffalo colouring and cutting out.
Year 1 & 2	Respect	Teddy—For showing respect for learning and trying hard in writing.
Year 3 & 4	Love	Orla—For being a kind, helpful and unique member of Year 3&4. You will be missed.
Year 5 & 6	Resilience	Jamie—For settling in brilliantly to Charlton.

Safeguarding

Please contact Miss Giles, Mrs Clarke or Mr Griffin should you have any safeguarding concerns. Rev Steve Hayes is our Safeguarding Governor, and he can also be contacted via the school office.