



Dear Parents,

We continue battling both the rain and stomach bugs this week. Please can I remind everyone that children must remain at home for 48 hours after their last episode of sickness or diarrhoea. This really helps us limit the spread and keep everyone healthy.

This week in collective worship we marked Candlemas. After exploring a painting of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, members of our worship team helped bring the story to life by acting out Jesus' meeting with Simeon. This led us to reflect on how we can shine brightly, just as Jesus is the light of the world.

We also revisited our breaktime equipment and discussed how we can use the space safely and respectfully. Some exciting new resources have arrived, including milk crates, tins and baskets. A big thank you to the Year 5 & 6 girls who have been sorting equipment and researching further ideas to help enhance breaktimes further.

We had a rather mysterious arrival this week—presumably an OPAL donation. Once Mrs North recovered from the surprise of seeing him peering through the window, Harrison Milkyway quickly became a favourite with both staff and pupils, earning the unofficial title of school mascot. Watch this space for updates on Harrison's involvement in school!



We end the week with our Friendship Disco, and I hope many of the children will be able to join us for the evening.

Nadia Gosling

Found Item!

A small hooped earring has been found in to the office area.

If you or your child are missing one, please pop by to see if it belongs to you.



Headteacher Award

Lily

Well Done!



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Our Stars of the Week

Freya

Elijah

Tommy

Kai

Minnie

Matilda

Felicity

Daisy

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is FSU and Year 1&2 with:

91% attendance

**Whole school attendance
85%**

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:40. It makes such a difference!

Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.40am
8:30am-8:40am
Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.40am

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

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club or CAST, please book a place using the Arbor app. You do not need to book for Drop & Play.

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. Bookings made after 12pm on Friday will incur a £2 late booking fee per session booked.

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

- **Dance Club— 6th + 13th February (pre-booked only)**
- **6th February—PTA Friendship Disco 5pm-6.30pm**
- **9th February—Yr6 Junior Citizens Trip**
- **12th February—Swimming Lessons Yr3-Yr6**
- **13th February—Cross Country Final**
- **16th-20th February—Half Term**
- **27th February—National Child Measurement Programme Reception +Yr6**
- **27th February—Reception Vision Screening**
- **27th February—PTA Café 3.15pm**
- **2nd March—Yr5/6 Stone Age Trip**
- **5th March— World Book Day (details to follow)**
- **18th & 19th March—Parents Evening**
- **20th March—PTA Easter Bingo**



ECO COUNCIL

We started our little picking rota today! Each week different children around the school will check the school grounds for litter.



PTA

Thank you to everyone who supported our doughnut & cookie sale. We raised a brilliant **£55**. This money has been put towards some water butts for the Eco Council.

Don't forget it's the PTA Friendship Disco this evening. We hope to see you all there!

(Current Charlton School children only)



FSU

Our theme day was a great success and it was lovely to see the class dressed up. We have enjoyed our mystery readers and even went up to the Year 5&6 classroom so they could read to us too. The Reception children's writing is coming on really well and I was so impressed with their English this week. They also helped me create a shopping list for our picnic with our toys and we played a memory game of "I went to the shop and bought....".



Year 1 & 2

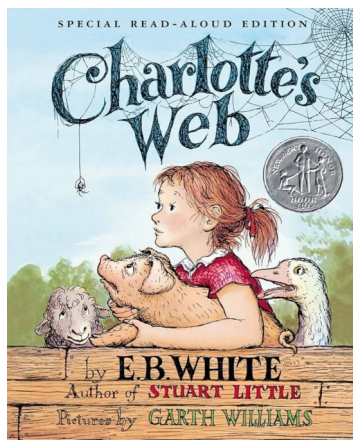
This week in year 1&2 we have been very busy! We have been learning to play the glockenspiel in Music lessons, we have built houses for the Three Little Pigs and pondered their different materials in Science, and we have played a team building game at Forest School involving guiding blindfolded teammates towards hidden objects.



Year 3 & 4

In English, we have been learning about paragraphs. Inspired by Charlotte's Web being set on a farm we have been discussing the differing viewpoints of whether animals should be kept on a farm or not. Children were encouraged to come up with their own viewpoint which they then contributed to a class debate.

Next, they planned and drafted a piece of writing that set out all sides of the argument and concluded with their personal opinions. Finally they wrote up their work in best, showcasing their knowledge of paragraphs. Well done Year 3&4. Great work everybody!



Year 5 & 6

We have started making our Greek-inspired pottery in art. After looking at Ancient Greek designs and shapes, the children have created a large pot - they look amazing! This week we will be painting designs on them. We can't wait to see the finished product!



Safeguarding

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

Forest School

