



Dear Parents,

What a lovely sun filled week we have had!

Rev. Courtney joined us again this week to support members of the Ethos team who were leading collective worship on our value of forgiveness. The session included some improvisation and audience participation, with children suggesting ways that a disagreement between friends might be resolved.

This week saw the return of the *Eat Them to Defeat Them* initiative. Alongside celebrating children eating vegetables, we also recognised those who tried vegetables they wouldn't normally eat. This year, as part of *Mrs Gosling's Glorious Grub*, I focused on the theme of steamed vegetables, with a different vegetable offered to the children each day – kale, baby corn, courgette, green beans and broccoli. It was wonderful to see so many children trying something new, and even better to see those who came back for more. A surprise the most loved was the kale!

We also enjoyed a fantastic World Book Day celebration on Thursday. The day included wonderful costumes, a staff performance for the children linked to our Julia Donaldson staff theme, and a superb book-themed escape room. A big thank you to Miss Airey for organising the day and to all the staff for supporting the assembly. The World Book Day vouchers will be sent home with the children today.

Thank you as well to everyone who voted in the World Book Day Character World Cup. There were some surprising eliminations along the way, but we are delighted to announce that our marmalade-loving bear from Peru, Paddington, came out on top!

Finally, a reminder that bookings for Parents' Evening can be made on Arbor from 6pm this evening. If you have any difficulties booking, please email the school office at office@charltonono.co.uk.

Wishing you all a sunny weekend.

Nadia Gosling

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Our Stars of the Week

Lena

Margot

Lucas

Lorilee

Luna

Martha

Kyle

Roman

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is FSU with:

98% attendance

Whole school attendance

94%

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-27th March (pre-booked only)**
- **10th March—FSU Trip to David Lloyd Bicester**
- **18th March—Yr3/4 Egyptian Day**
- **18th & 19th March—Parents Evening 3.30-6pm**
- **19th March—Bicester Schools Poetry Final**
- **20th March—Red Nose Day Smoothie Sale**
- **20th March—PTA Easter Bingo**
- **30th March-10th April—Easter Holidays**
- **13th April—Back to School**
- **21st April—PTA Little Recyclers**
- **25th April—London Mini-Marathon**
- **1st May—May Day**
- **18th-29th May—PTA 2026 Challenge**
- **18th May—Whole School Samba workshop with presentation to parents**
- **22nd May—PTA Non-uniform Day**
- **13th June—PTA Summer Fete**
- **16th June—Internet Safety Workshops Rec-Y6**



PTA

There will be a cake sale in the playground after school today. All cakes are £1.

Thank you to everyone who has ordered tea towels. These will be available to collect on the playground at 3.15pm on Monday 9th, or from the office thereafter. There is still time to order if you haven't already. Please ask a member of the PTA or the school office.

Please see the attached poster for more information about upcoming PTA events!

FSU

Our focus this week has been on Nursery Rhymes. We have learnt lots of sign language, tried to save Humpty Dumpty and had lots of fun on World Book Day. We have also been looking at lots of various musical instruments in our music lessons. If you play a musical instrument and wouldn't mind playing for the class please let us know!



Year 1 & 2

We LOVED World Book Day this week! We completed activities about our chosen costumes, had a special World Book Day assembly and ended the day with a fun challenge in Miss Airey's escape room! The Yr2 children worked very hard this week in tackling their assessments and some of them have moved on to reading chapter books! Meanwhile Yr1 children have been doing some extra phonics sessions in preparation for their phonics screening next term. A very busy week all round!



Year 3 & 4

What's in the box...? We opened our box this week! It was a collection of replica Ancient Egyptian artefacts. Thanks to the PTA funding, we were able to borrow this box from the Oxfordshire Museum in Woodstock. The children were allowed to carefully look at, hold and explore the objects and try to predict what they were and what they were used for. Mrs Clarke also showed some photos from the British Museum that she visited in the holidays- including real mummies!



Year 5 & 6

We had the BEST day at Hill End on Monday for our Stone Age trip - it helped that the weather was glorious! We travelled through time, starting with activities that hunter-gatherers would have done, such as shelter building, and then moved to the ancient roundhouse for a campfire, wheat grinding to make flour and making our own flint axes! It was such a great way to learn about prehistoric life and was very memorable. Thank you to the PTA for funding this great visit!



Safeguarding

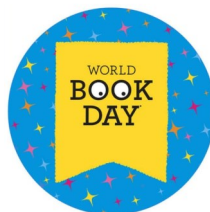
Please contact Mrs Gosling or Mrs Clarke should you have any safeguarding concerns.

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