



Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had an enjoyable half term break.

This week we have spent some time focusing on looking after our precious plant, taking time from our curriculum to think about the three areas that the Eco council are focusing on this year: Waste, Marine and Community.

We began our week with an exciting start, with a visit from Cherwell District Council Waste and Recycling team, Binbo and a 32 Tonne dust cart. Parking the dust cart on the playground was quite a challenge, with only a minor disruption to the passing traffic. The children really enjoyed being able to explore the dustcart, and Binbo was big hit with everyone. Amongst the activities taking place around school, the classes made posters, sorted rubbish and many children joined me on litter picks around the village. We are pleased to say that we didn't find a lot of litter around the village, but just enough to keep us busy for 4 trips this week. The children have been so keen to take part, that we will make this a regular occurrence!

The eco council have also put together a Waste Questionnaire for parents to complete with their children. You will have received information on how to complete it in an email. A great start to our term with lots of learning on their journey to become global citizens.

The whole school also used a shared text for their English work this week, 'Here we are'. The children worked with different classes for some activities, playing tour guides to our planet and talking about how to look after it.



The rest of the term is shaping up to be very busy with lots of exciting events taking place for all the classes!

First of all we have the Duck Races this Saturday! I hope to see many of you there.

Fingers crossed for some good weather this weekend!

Nadia Gosling



Our Stars of the Week

Lois

Oscar

Camilla

Evelyn

Stella

George F

Oliver

Eli

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is the FSU with:

97% attendance

Whole school attendance

93%

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 Arbor 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.



Diary dates



- 8th June—Duck Race PTA event
- 12th June—Yr5/6 trip to Wytham Woods
- 13th June—Quad Kids Athletics Event
- 18th June—Reception + Yr1/2 Cotswold Wildlife Park trip
- 18th June—Climbing festival
- 27th June—Move-up morning (New Classes)
- 2nd July—Sports morning + family picnic
- 10th July— Y1-6 End of Year Production matinee
- 11th July Y1-6 End of Year Production evening

PTA

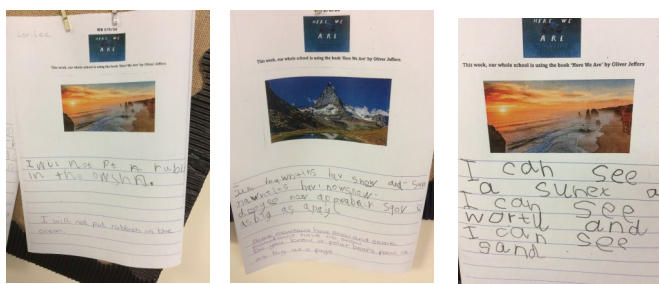
Thank you for all your bottle and teddy donations! There's still time to drop off cakes, either at school pick up this afternoon, or at Charlton Playing fields tomorrow morning at 9.30am.

The Duck race is from 1pm at Charlton playing fields, with the 1st race starting at 1.30pm. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow for a fun filled afternoon—look out for "Splat the teacher"!

FSU

This week FSU have enjoyed being part of the whole school writing week. We are especially proud of our Reception children's writing, describing different places in the world.

We were also very excited to meet 'Binbo' and see the refuse lorry on Monday!



Year 1 & 2

We have had a brilliant start to the new half term. As a school we have been focusing on being eco-friendly. Both year groups have been out in the village and have spent an hour litter picking. They were brilliant and really enjoyed the activity!

We have also been taking part in a whole school writing week. The class has produced some fantastic posters and leaflets explaining Earth to an alien who has just landed.

Forest school has been a big hit as usual and they are glad to be back exploring!

Year 3 & 4

This week the children have adapted really well to having two teachers, and generally things have been able to continue smoothly, and without too much disruption to their usual routine.

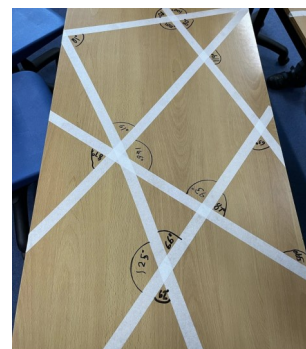
A particular highlight of the week has been our noisy Science lesson, in which we began the new topic of 'Sound'. We watched a few videos of 'STOMP' performances, in which everyday items are used to make music. The children then had a go at making their own music in groups, using a variety of objects. They really enjoyed being encouraged to make noise in the classroom!



Year 5 & 6

This week we have been revising different maths concepts in a practical way. We measured angles on the tables and even found how many angles are in our name.

We have started our new science topic looking at reproduction in plants. We dissected plants to find the different male and female parts.



Safeguarding

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