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Newsletter 10

Dear Parents and Carers,





Remembrance Sunday in the **Benefice**

I am very proud to share in the success of some of the children from school, who took an active part in the Remembrance Day Services in the Benefice last weekend.



Nut Free School We are a nut-free school. Thank you for your support with this.



The children represented the school perfectly and Reverend Sarah Fenby was incredibly impressed by each of the children, who read out the Kohima Epitaph and lay wreaths on behalf of the school. Very well done to Imogen F, Harriet H, Harry J and Ellie L. I am amazingly proud of each of you.

On Monday last week, four representatives from Year 5 went to Cropredy Village Hall to support with the Luncheon Club. The children helped to serve the food to the members of the local community and joined them for lunch, to help them get to know each other. The children were the most wonderful ambassadors for the school, showing careful serving work, impeccable manners and great confidence when talking to the members of the community who had visited for lunch. I was very proud of each of the children; very well done to Ollie B. Leo F, Tahlia P and Matilda R.

Next Week in School

There is no Mark Andrews football tomorrow (Monday). Mark will put an extra football session on for the children on **Monday 4th December.** Please can you let the office know about different collection arrangements.

Monday	 Forest School for Cygnets and Year 1. Physical Education Lessons for Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. 			
Tuesday	 Physical Education Lessons for Year 6. SCARF CORAM PSHE Online Workshops for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. See below for more details. 			
Wednesday	 Physical Education Lessons for Year 1. Teachers visiting Heyford Park School after school, for a joint writing moderation with schools from Eynsham Partnership Academy Trust. 			
Thursday	 Physical Education Lessons for Year 5. Swimming for Year 4. 			
Friday	 PTFA Non-Uniform Day – bring a bottle, a bag of sweets or chocolate as a donation. Please see flyer below for more details. Physical Education Lessons for Cygnets, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6. 			

SCARF CORAM PSHE Workshops

The Coram Life Education & SCARF team will be visiting our school virtually on Tuesday 21st November with their SCARF Live Online workshops for children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The children's charity Coram Life Education provides Health and Wellbeing Education support to schools. Workshops are delivered by skilled educators and the SCARF resource is the framework of our PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) education curriculum.

The fun, interactive and age-appropriate workshops help children to understand the importance of physical and emotional health; they learn vital life-skills that are also known to help their overall achievement.

In the workshops, the children will explore emotional needs, choices that can affect health and wellbeing, qualities of friendship and also learn strategies for looking after their emotional needs.

To find out more about Coram Life Education and SCARF visit their website: www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk



If children would like to do a bottle and sweetie drive around their neighbourhood or ask family and friends to also donate. The three children that bring in the most donations will receive a prize!

We are also on the lookout for some good-sized strong boxes to keep everything in. Thank you in advance, Your PTFA.

Golden Rules Stars of the Week

Very well done to these children who have shown clear understanding and great application of our Golden Rules.

Lewis-Lee P, Evie G-C, Izzie R, Freya B, Kacey B-P, Maci C and Logan M.

House Points Totals – awarded by each class, linked to Golden Rules.				
Sycamore	Willow	Oak	Chestnut	
721	719	716	714	

Stars of the Week

Isaura E for being a maths superstar and finding equal amounts.

Sofia G for working hard in Writing, applying her Phonics to write words.

Olivia H for her comparison writing of our two class texts.

George W for his discussions of the school grounds in Geography.

Marty C for an amazing start back at Cropredy Primary. You have a fantastic attitude towards your learning, Marty and have been a star for working hard and completing tasks really quickly. Well done!

Monet B for working very hard in her Maths work and showing increased confidence when sharing her ideas and thoughts in whole class sessions. Well done Monet!

Reuben C for beautifully presented and accurate column subtraction in maths.

Ella F for or some excellent research in Geography on Tower Bridge and Ben Nevis.

Fran J-S for a great poem linked to our anti bullying work this week in our PHSE session.

Alfred K for work had on his presentation and content for his non-chronological report.

Rosie D for excellent understanding about plate tectonics, as evidenced in her Geography work.

Harry S for working hard and succeeding to grasp the concept of square numbers.

I would also like to thank **Alexander P**, for showing incredible kindness, thought and care for another child in school. Alexander went the extra mile to consider how he could help and support another child, providing fantastic support and demonstrating great maturity in his response. Thank you so much, Alexander; you made me incredibly proud of you.

Ivy P-G for giving 110% during the past week, she has been working extremely hard individually whilst keenly participating in discussions for the benefit of her peers. A commendable attitude Ivy, well done! **Henry C** for making fantastic contributions and perceptive comments during our lessons this week. Additionally, he has shown an increased enjoyment towards reading with Aveline Jones – keep it up!

Out of School Achievements

Thea D for gaining her IGA Proficiency Award for Level 10 in Gymnastics, at Jumping Jacks. Great achievement, Thea. Well done!

Noah B for gaining his Red Wade Gymnastics Award. Fantastic work Noah. Well done!

Poesy O for showing great performance and ability in her tap and ballet. Poesy has gained Pre-Preparatory Certificates for both areas of her dance work at the Danielle Buick Academy of Theatre Arts. Superb work, Poesy. Well done!

Rory M for sharing his rugby medal, gained for being nominated player of the match by his teammates, in a recent match against Towcester. Very well done, Rory. A super achievement!

Evie G-C for working very hard to gain her IGA Gymnastics Proficiency Award. We are very proud of your efforts and achievement, Evie. Very well done!

Bella B for gaining her Gold Wade Gymnastics Award. Wonderful work, Bella. Very well done!

Our Week of Learning

Cygnets Class

Our busy week started off with a windy Forest School session on the field.

With the wind blowing all the leaves from the trees, we worked in pairs to gather lots of different types of leaves and then we put them in a great big pile to make Leo the Leaf Man. Afterwards we got handfuls of leaves and threw them high into the air to see where they would fly to.



This week we celebrated World Nursery Rhyme Week. Millions of children around the world take part in World Nursery Rhyme Week. Each day we sang a different Nursery Rhyme.

They included: Jack and Jill, Wheels on The Bus, Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes (which we tried to sing backwards!), Hickory Dickory Dock and Row, Row, Row Your Boat.

We enjoyed making Humpty Dumpty as well as writing lists of what Jack and Jill might spot walking up the hill, using our amazing phonics skills to help us write them. We also made our own hobby horse, taking inspiration from 'Ride A Cockhorse to Banbury Cross'.

After starting the week in Odd Socks, we finished our week with Children In Need Day and spots. We have thought about ways that we can be kind and friendly to each other to make sure that everyone feels safe at school.



Next week we are continuing to refine our acting skills during Nativity rehearsals, as well as learning sh, th, nk and ng in phonics.

Year 1

This week we have had a letter from The Wolf. He told us he had a different story that he wanted us to read. His story was called The True Story of The Three Little Pigs.



We read the story and discussed the similarities and differences between this story and The Three Little Pigs we then wrote down a comparison between the two stories.

In maths we have been subtracting by crossing out as well as taking objects away. We then wrote number sentences to show the subtraction.

In science we have been looking at which material is the most absorbent so best to use to clear up spillages. We found kitchen roll was the most absorbent.



Our Week of Learning

Year 2

In our English work this week, the children have been working hard to storyboard out main events in the Traction Man story. The children showed clear knowledge of key events form the story and started to extend descriptions of each event in the text, using a wide range of descriptive language.

In RE this week, we have been thinking about some of the problems in the world. The children had lots of ideas about how they would save the world! Some thought they would need the power of invisibility, some thought they would need love and kindness. The children had some super ideas. We then had an interesting discussion about Jesus and how Christians believe he was sent to 'save the world'. We realised that Jesus didn't have capes and shields like a superhero, but that he had special qualities such as kindness, helpfulness, friendliness and love for all others. I was impressed with all of the children's wonderful ideas.

The children have also continued to explore 3D structures as part of their Design Technology project work this week, exploring how we can change the type of structure to increase its strength. Well done Year 2!

Year 3

This week in year 3 we have been working hard on our geography, looking at both Physical and Human geography in the United Kingdom. The children then worked in pairs to research a specific feature and find out as many interesting facts as they could. They will then be collating these together and making a fact file of their own.

In maths, we have started our subtraction work using the columnar method and making links to addition by checking our answers using the inverse operation.

In ICT we have been learning about online safety, which has linked in well to our PHSE work on anti-bullying. The children have been carrying out acts of kindness to others over the week and will be bringing their 7-Day Kindness Challenge sheet home to continue with this over the weekend.

Year 4

This term in Design Technology, Year 4 are learning about textiles and how to sew accurately and work with different types of fastenings. The children have been learning how to thread a needle, keep the thread on the needle and tie a knot in the end. This has been quite a challenge.

The children's work has developed from their planning work completed, where designs were created, fixings investigated and consideration given to the different types of stuffing that could be used..



This week was the first swimming session for the Year 4 children. All the children enjoyed it, worked hard and showed their confidence in the water.

As part of our Topic work this term, we are please dot be able to inform you that we have organised a waterway assembly and walk on Friday 1st December in the morning. This will be led by Mike Waterford from the Canals and Waterways Trust.

Year 5

This week we have been studying the characteristics of an explanation text as the children will be writing their own explanation text on tectonic plate movement next week.

In maths we have studied prime numbers and square numbers and in Geography the children have loved learning about the origins of our continents and how they have changed from one super continent to the 7 continents we know about today.

In D.T. we have begun to make our pop-up prototype storybook with moving parts. Making this prototype allows the children to familiarise themselves with the mechanisms so that they can make informed decisions when they design their own pop-up book in a few weeks' time. The children have also worked very hard in Music this week, learning about Bossa Nova style music and responding with increasing control while using the glockenspiels.

Our Week of Learning

Year 6

This week in Year 6 we have worked hard to refine our inference and deduction skills by exploring explanation texts around the subject of trench warfare in WW1; this has created really interesting discussions and insightful contributions from the majority of the class.

As you can seen from our class certificates this week, we have been celebrating 'active participation' in the class and giving individual as well as praise for teamwork – this came to fruition with our group drama performances around the subject of anti-bullying and how to be proactive around 'speaking out' against bullying.

In science we have begun our new topic around circuits and different types of electricity. Their learning will build on previous years as the class develop a more in-depth real-world understanding of electricity which will culminate in our class enjoying a live Q & A with an award-winning chartered engineer - Sophie Harker - who specialises in designing sustainable electrical planes amongst other things.

Yours sincerely Phil Goldsworthy

See below for:

PTFA Movie Night – Thursday 7th December 53.30p.m. to 7.30p.m.

Flyer for PTFA Christmas Cropfest – held in school on the afternoon of Friday 1st December

Mark Andrews Festive Football Activity Days

Love Ballet Dance Company Christmas Holiday Workshops









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1:30 Playground - Parents and family welcome, Classes singing carols around the Christmas Tree

1:55 Christmas Tree Lights switched on; Fete is now open!

2pm Cygnets classroom – Cygnets and Year 1 children for collection

Year 1 classroom - Years 2 and 3 children for collection

Year 2 classroom – Years 4, and 5 children for collection

Year 6 Children will be helping to run the fete until the end of the school day

Year 3 Classroom – Yr3's Reindeer Hot chocolate bags, Find Santa's missing presents and Hook a Christmas Duck & Yr4's Sewn Christmas Trees, French Chocolate Truffles, Guess how old Santa is (No googling!), Snowball Throw and Penguin bowling

Year 4 Classroom— Cygnets Reindeer Food, Guess the Teacher in the Santa disguise and Pin the Star on the Christmas Tree; Yr1's Christmas Photo frames, Guess the Name of the Reindeer, Feed Santa some mince pies & Yr2's Lolly stick tree decorations, Guess the weight of Christmas Jelly Pops and Christmas Quoits

Year 5 Classroom – Yr5's Hanging Star Tree Decorations, Guess Mrs Claus' favourite Christmas Movie and Christmas Tin Can Alley & Yr6's Christmas Fimo Scenes, Guess the address of the Gingerbread House and Christmas Bottle Flip Challenge

Library & Foyer - Outside Stall Holders

Hall – Selfies with Santa, Bottle and Sweetie Tombola, more Outside Stall Holders (including cards, decorations and crafts), an on the day Raffle drawn at 3:30pm, and Teas, Coffees and Sweet Treats

There is a machine for card payments in the hall but raid the change pot for the classroom activities.



In our 21st Year!

Our FUN camp for ages 4 to 12 Of ALL abilities Will be held in the warm & secure INDOOR Hall.



INSIDE a Christopher Rawlins School

Adderbury - OX173NH

Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd Kick Off: 10.00am - Final Whistle: 3.00pm

(Registration/Drop Off from 9.30am)

Book Early – Limited Spaces

Call – Txt – WhatsApp Mark: 07952 579358

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Please bring a snack-packed lunch-drink (NOT fizzy)

1 Day £20/2 Days £35



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