

Dear Families

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This week we have had delivery of our new Picture Book Reading Spine, adding to a wide range of books in each class. Every class has 6 new picture books from YR to Y6 and they are a beautiful collection. Mrs Saladino is our reading for pleasure lead and I know it has been a labour of love to spend time researching new books for our reading lessons. These books have been funded by our fantastic PTA, who last year gave the school £5000 for books in the CHALLENGE Curriculum. We say that books are the beating heart of our curriculum and in 17 months we have made this happen, ensuring our children have access to a wide range of rich literature.

Year R



Year 2



Year 1



Year 3



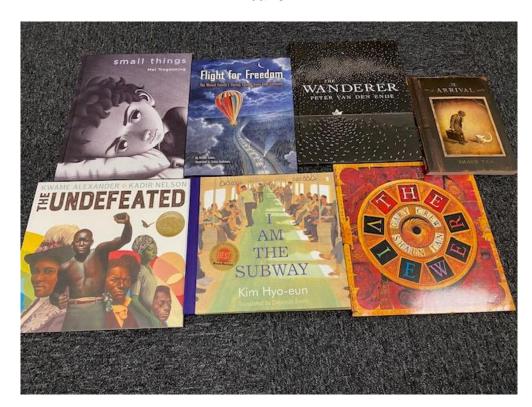
Together we

Year 4 Year 5





Year 6



I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards, Mrs Gayle Fletcher

Class News

Class - Green

Green Class have been working hard learning their number bonds to 5. 0+5, 1+4, 2+3, 3+2, 4+1, 5+0. They have used 2 hands to create the different calculations, multilink cubes, part-part-whole model and pieces of coloured paper. They were able to move cubes from the 2 part circles into the whole circle to remember that there were 5 cubes altogether. I wonder what could be used at home to make 5? 2 apples and 3 bananas, 4 bits of blue lego and 1 bit of red lego. Have a look around your house and see how many different things you can use to make 5.

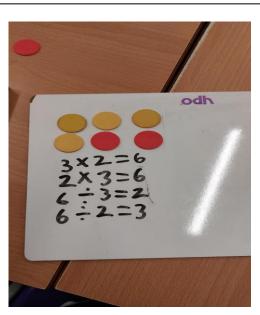






Class - Purple

This week in Maths we have been finding out about arrays and using them to help us learn our times tables. Using the rule of 'commutativity' we have made lots of fact families including both multiplication and division facts. In our daily Maths on track sessions we have been making different groups and sharing them equally using counters!







Class – Thames

In Thames class we have been learning about solids, liquids and gases. Our experiment this week is 'The Ice Man's hand' where we are investigating what we notice about ice melting in different environments. We have been diligently observing any changes in our ice hands all day and wonder if we will have puddles of water or chunks of ice to pour down the drain at the end of the day!





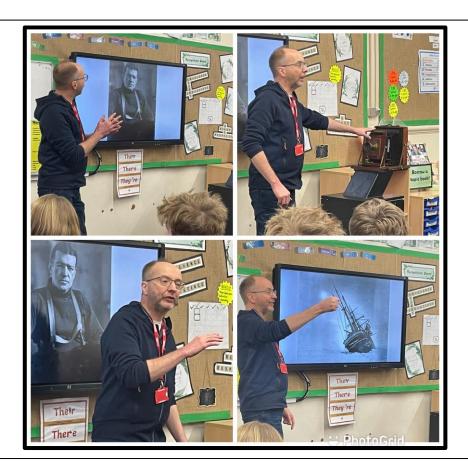




Year Six

Ernest Shackleton

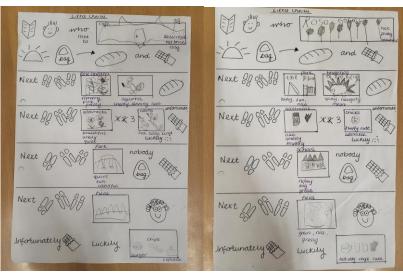
Year Six have enjoyed learning about Sir. Ernest Shackleton and his Endurance expedition to the Antarctic. On Thursday we were lucky enough to be visited by Mr. Blackler who spoke to the children about Shackleton and brought along his amazing Victorian camera which he has turned into an immersive audio-visual presentation. The children will be taking it in turns to have a go. The original footage really is fascinating and helps bring the learning alive for the children.



Class - Orange

During our English lessons, we have been learning the story 'Little Charlie' using the Talk for Writing actions. We are now at the 'imitation' stage and have planned our own version of the story based on the area around our school that we visited last week. The Rose Garden, park, allotments, Asquith Road and our school building are all ideas that we have included. We thought about what Charlie might see in each place and used adjectives to describe them. Our stories are going to be super!





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Cherwell

This week in Cherwell the children have been using their powers of inference to imagine what it be like being Fox searching for The Golden Wonderflower. They have also been working hard on column addition as well as exploring the geography of Trinidad and Tobago. Some have also been creating their own comics and mini books at Comic and Story Writing Club.









Diary Date

Planned activities are listed below.

Please note that these are subject to change and additional activities will be added in due course.

Monday 29th January Y4 swimming

Tuesday 30th January 6pm, Online Safety Information meeting for parents with Glos. Constabulary*

Monday 5th February Y4 swimming

Monday 5th February Children's Mental Health Week (until Friday 9th February)

Tuesday 6th February Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February 3:30-7:30pm Parent Consultations - POSTPONED to TERM 4* Wednesday 7th February 3:30-6:30pm Parent Consultations - POSTPONED to TERM 4* Friday 9th February Mid-year attainment and progress summary reports to parents

Monday 12th – 16th February Half Term

Friday 1st March

Monday 4th March

Thursday 7th March

Monday 11th March

Monday 19th February Y4 swimming (last session)

Monday 26th February Y5 swimming starts

Tuesday 27th February 3:40-7:30pm Parent Consultations* Wednesday 28th February 3:40-6:00pm Parent Consultations*

Sherborne Class Assembly

Y5 swimming World Book Day Y5 swimming

Wednesday 13th March 3:30-4:00pm Open Classrooms

Friday 15th March Blue Class Assembly Monday 18th March Y5 swimming Monday 18th March **RE Week**

Monday 18th March **Easter Celebration TBC**

Monday 25th March-Friday 5th April **Easter Holidays** Monday 8th April Y5 swimming Monday 15th April Y5 swimming

Friday 19th April Yellow Class Assembly

Monday 22nd April Y5 swimming Monday 29th April Y5 swimming

Friday 3rd May **Purple Class Assembly** Monday 6th May Bank Holiday (school closed)

Monday 13th May Y6 SATS Week Monday 13th May Y5 swimming

Friday 17th May **Green Class Assembly**

Monday 20th May Y5 swimming Monday 27th - 31st May Half Term Monday 3rd June **RE Week**

Monday 3rd June Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Week

Monday 3rd June Y5 swimming

Monday 10th June Y1/2 Phonic Screening Check Week Monday 10th June Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Week

Monday 10th June Y5 swimming Friday 14th June **Red Class Assembly**

Monday 17th June Y5 swimming - moved to Wed 19th June

Wednesday 19th June Y5 swimming Monday 24th June Y5 swimming

Friday 28th June Friday 28th June Monday 1st July Orange Class Assembly 9:30am, Y4-Y6 Swimming Gala at Cheltenham College Y5 swimming (last session)

Certificates

Class	Ready Respect Safe	Effort Persistence
		Commitment
YR	Adaline Clements	Rosie Bergin
	Eleanor Zasikowska	Shanaya Jayasinghe
Y1	Arthur Batsford	Beatrice Arstall-Groom
	Flo Morgan	Harry Ditchfield
Y2	Leo Hanks	Arley Johnson
	Maya Oldroyd	Arthur Baker
Y3	Henry Connolly	Alice Howell
	Sorcha Roberts	Reuben Holbrook
Y4	Rosie Bolus	Bailey Doherty
	Freddie Dexter	Manu River-Pates
Y5	Ivy Davis	Ben Forey
	Maggie Galvin	Petrue Tulbure
Y6	Zach Watkinson	Nate Contreas-Nurk
	Lottie Fletcher	Sophia Rowe