



Middle Barton School

Newsletter

Friday 28th March 2022

Head's News

Curriculum

Acorns

The Acorn Class seem to have spent most of this week outside. They have produced some lovely artwork too! They have created some amazing sunflowers- some of which will be displayed in the church for Mothering

Sunday. 

Acorns have been focusing on measuring in maths this week- Reception have been comparing lengths and Year 1 have been weighing objects from around the class using non-standard units.

Sycamores

The class have been continuing their topic on Australia and have sorted the human and physical features found

there.  They have also been learning about life cycles in Science.

In Forest school this week, they have continued with their whittling and a special mention goes to Jess for her amazing focus- well done!

Maples

Maples have been looking at poetry using 'The Black Book of Colours'. I heard some lovely personification being talked about in class- 'The tree danced in the sunlit sky'- by Katherine. I am looking forward to reading them when

they are finished. 

They have also finished their potato experiment from Science week and now know the best substance to encourage

good root growth on a potato. 

Beech

Beech class have been very busy this week. They have been designing their own sandwiches- some of which

sounded very interesting! 

The class were very lucky to be able to take part in an extra bikeability lesson this week. The children were all very

keen and were an absolute credit to the school. They listened carefully to the instructor and had a great time. 

Willows

The class are continuing to study their class text- 'The curse of the Maya'. I have been told by Harry C, that it is a great book! They have also started to write a newspaper article all about the discovery of a Mayan Temple-

sounds very exciting! 

In Maths, they have been learning about decimals and what they look like as fractions.

Oaks

Oaks class have been continuing to learn about World War 2. At one point on Thursday all the blinds were down and I wondered what was going on but was then informed they were doing a science experiment about blackout blinds! The class also seem to be really enjoying reading their class text- 'Letters from the Lighthouse'. 



Snacks at break time

I have had a few requests for suggestions for break time snacks. This is not a definitive list. Our main request is that they are healthy, do not cause too much waste and don't contain nuts.

- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Salad
- Savoury rice cakes
- Crackers
- Cheese
- Savoury popcorn
- A healthy sandwich



Artist in school

This week we have been very lucky to have an artist in to work with a group of children from each class to create murals of our school vision- Be curious, Believe, Challenge, Achieve. They look absolutely amazing! This will shortly be displayed in the hall. Thank you to FOMBs and Kingham Lodge Sculpture for financially supporting this event.

Parking

Parking is always difficult near school but I have had a number of comments from neighbours and parents about safety during pick-up times. Please remember that you should not park on the yellow lines or block any entrances. As the weather is improving and the cost of fuel is increasing, it would be lovely to see more children walking to school.

Parent Meetings

Thank you to all of you that have attended parent meetings. It is so important that we work together to give the children the best education possible. If you ever have any concerns then please contact us as soon as possible. It is always best to resolve things quickly, no matter how small.

Upcoming events

School Calendar & Term Dates | [MIDDLE BARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL \(middlebartonschool.org\)](http://MIDDLE BARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL (middlebartonschool.org))

28 March to 3 April- World Autism Acceptance Week- each class will be doing something in their own class.

Last week of clubs next week

6th April- Acorn Stay and Play

8th April- Finish for the Easter Holidays **1.30pm**

8th April- FOMBS Easter Egg Hunt- 1.30pm ish start

FOMBS

On Sale Next Week - Easter Egg Trail Tickets!

Only £2.50 per child - open to all.

Egg Trail starts on Friday 8th April after (early) end of school - circa 1.30pm.

Exchange your tickets for a trail sheet - clue answers will be found around the school field.

Once completed, exchange your trail sheet for a chocolate prize!

Additional games on the day: Lucky Dip and 'Find the Golden Egg'.

Tickets will be sold outside the school gates in the afternoons from next week.

[Advance ticket-buying advised ... it may be possible to purchase costlier tickets on the day].

Morning run

Well done to the 70 people who have participated in Morning Run this week, whether it be a lap or two, or more laps than that every day. This week congratulations go to the following runners who have been working hard towards their goals:

Half Marathon – Poppy

Marathon – Isla-Grace, Nate B-G

Two Marathons – Gracie

Three Marathons – Angus, Jonathan

The list of people within close reach of their target is long – hopefully we can present many more certificates next week. Great effort everybody! Class lap totals:

Acorn class - 1213 laps

Sycamore class - 3691 laps

Maple class - 1389 laps

Beech class - 1602 laps

Willow class - 3205 laps

Oak class - 2183 laps

This makes a total of 13,283 laps or 2214 miles run by everybody in the school! Excellent!

Special mentions go to: Minnie, Jesse, Georgie, Hope, Arden, Faith, Amelia M, Asher, Jane, Lyla, Nate F, Jayden, Roxy, George and Rose.

Star of the Week: Elise

Beech Class

A lovely sunny day for Bikeability, learning the basics.



Acorn Class

Sunflower pictures for Mothering Sunday



Weights and measures



Artist in School

Our new mural in progress, showing our School vision



CNPS Year 2/3 Multi-Skills Festival



Dojo points

Acorn – Amelia Rose Sycamore – Hope

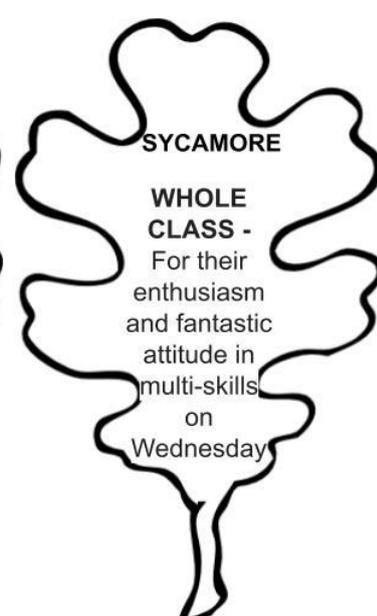
Maple – Samuel

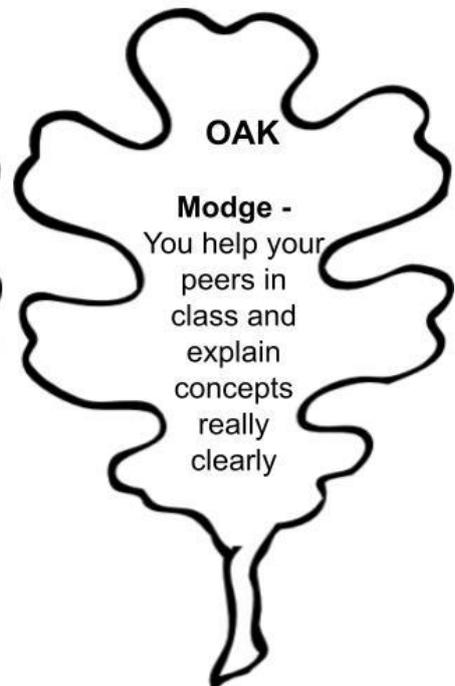
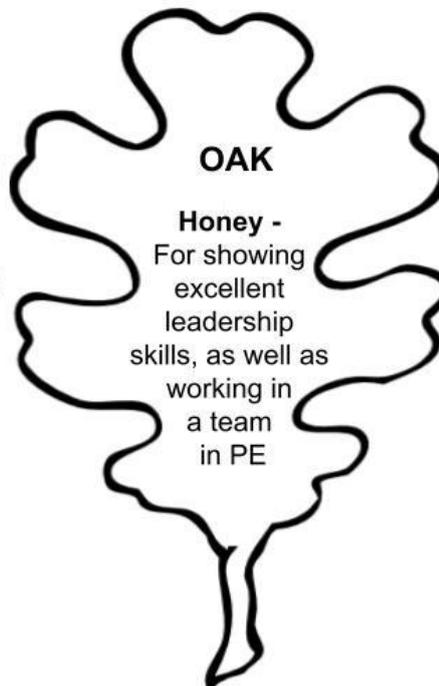
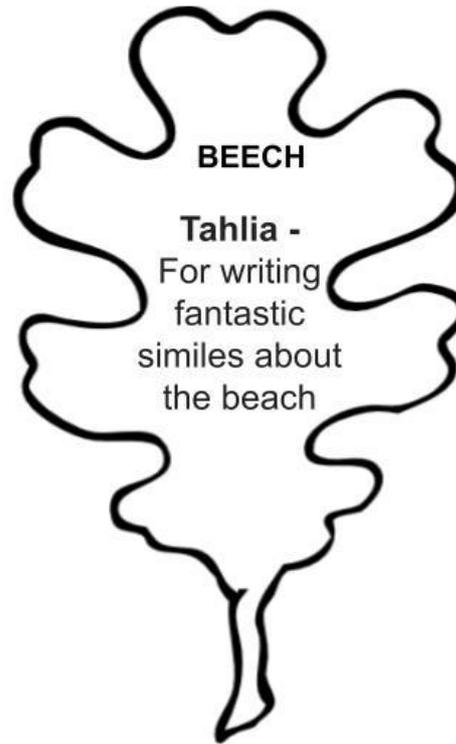
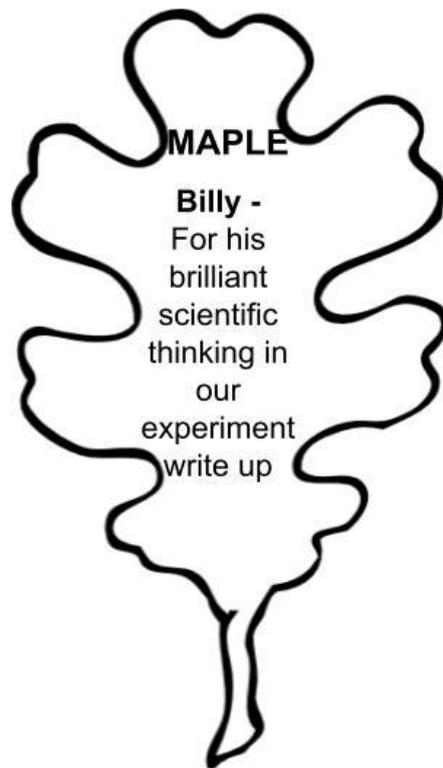
Beech – Archie A

Willow – Brodie

Oak - Modge

Values leaves





Safeguarding Children - what to do if you think a child is at risk of abuse or neglect:

Immediate danger - if you think a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999.

Immediate concern - if you have a concern about a child, please call MASH on 0345 050 7666.

A special helpline is available if you are concerned that a child you know is being **sexually exploited**. Contact the Kingfisher Team on 01865 309196

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