



Middle Barton School

Newsletter

Friday 21st October 2022

Head's News

What a busy first term we have had! The children are settled well into their new year groups and have worked incredibly hard. We have also taken part in a number of events so far which has enriched our curriculum even further.

Year 6, 5 and 4 have all been swimming and been assessed and completed a refresher on water safety. Year 6 went on residential to Bushcraft and had the most amazing time. We have taken part in a Football and Hockey tournament at Chipping Norton as well as a group attending a Boccia event. In the hall we held a very successful MacMillan coffee morning and raised approximately £300. Many children have entered the Christmas Poster competition for the village turning on the Christmas lights- we will await to find out the winner in near future. FOMBS have held a very successful and enjoyable Halloween disco, which I know the children (and adults) really enjoyed. We have held a well attended open afternoon and Acorns had an amazing 'Stay and Play'. The children have all designed Christmas cards that will be on sale after half term. Mrs Merry talked to our Reception parents about the Early Years curriculum and what it looks like on a daily basis in the classroom.

Recently we interviewed for an Administrator and Finance assistant role. We had a very strong group of candidates and we have appointed Hope Jones. Hope will be joining us after half term and will be working 4 afternoons a week. We look forward to working with Hope and I know everyone will be welcoming her into the Middle Barton Team.

Black History Month at Middle Barton School



Acorn class

The class has learnt about Dame Floella Benjamin and Alma Thomas. The children have learnt about Floella Benjamin's journey to England. The class also recreated some amazing art work based on Alma Thomas.

Sycamore class

The class has learnt about Katherine Johnson the famous Mathematician. The children have learnt all about the fact she wasn't allowed to attend her local Secondary school and that she was famous for figuring out the paths for the spacecraft to orbit (go around) Earth and to land on the Moon. They all said 'she was very good at hard maths!!!'

Maple class

The class has written a biography about the life of Mary Seole. They have learnt about how determined she was to help others.

Willow class

The class has learnt all about Benjamin Zephaniah. They have completed artwork and written poems based on Benjamin's work. They have used Benjamin's poems; 'Poetics' and 'For Words' to inspire their own work.

Oak class

The children have been learning about David Adjaye. He has an OBE and is an award winning Ghanaian-British architect.

Look out on Dojo for some photographs of the children's work.



FOMBS News

FOMBS would like to thank everybody who supported our Disco yesterday evening.

The children seemed to really enjoy themselves and it was great to host a disco again after all this time!

Tickets are on sale for the Firework night which will take place on Thursday 3rd November. Sales will continue after school the week after half term, and tickets are also available in Middle Barton Stores.

Don't forget to save your Hallowe'en pumpkins to decorate the school field on the Fireworks night!

A list will be put up on FOMBS Facebook page and also as a Google form from school. This is for people who are able to help out on the night to sign up for a job which they prefer. All sorts of roles are necessary to run such a fantastic event: food and drink servers, people to man stalls, etc.

Thank you in advance for your assistance!

Morning Run

This week many pupils have achieved their Half Marathon certificate, and several more have run an entire Marathon! Congratulations!

Half Marathon: Theo T, Harley J, Rory, Dexter, Stanley, Freddie C, Harley H, Oscar, Henry, Harry B

Marathon: Nate F, Harris, Harry C

As there is no Celebration Assembly this week, the certificates will be held over for presentation after half term.

The number of laps run by all the children is accruing superbly.

Acorn class 170 laps 29 miles

Sycamore class 653 laps 109 miles

Maple class 724 laps 121 miles

Willow Year 4 749 laps 125 miles

Willow Year 5 543 laps 91 miles

Oak class 1365 laps 228 miles

Total laps = 4204 Total distance = 701 miles!

Acorn stars of the week: Orlaith and Axel

Sycamore Stars: Minnie and Noah (Yr1); Reggie and Isla-Grace (Yr2)

Maple Stars: Phoebe and Toby

Willow Stars: Mollie and Archie H (Yr4); Nate (Yr5).

Oak Stars: Lily B and Brodie

Star of the Week: Oscar

A big thank you to Mrs Denby for continuing to get us all motivated and moving each morning!

(Dojo Points, Values leaves and running certificates will be rolled over to next term)