



Middle Barton School

Be Curious, Believe, Challenge, Achieve

Newsletter

Friday 4th November 2022

Fireworks Spectacular!



Head's news

A great start to the term for all of the children. Lots of them have come back enthusiastic and ready to learn! The weather has certainly changed, but the children have embraced it and had great fun playing in the leaves together at break and lunchtimes.

It has been a busy and exciting week with Halloween and Bonfire Night at school. Thank you to all of you that attended last night to support the school and a huge well done and thank you to all of those that helped make the event such a success. We are so lucky to have such a committed FOMBS team!

Curriculum

Acorn Class

Potions and cauldrons have been the main theme in Acorn class this week. They have been making potions both indoors and out! They have also been inspired by Bonfire Night and have listened to and watched firework displays and then come up with vocabulary to describe them. I have also seen some squiggling and wiggling going on this week- the children (and adults) were all getting involved and thoroughly enjoying it!

Sycamore class

They have begun reading their book 'Where the poppies now grow', which is linked to their history topic about Remembrance. In Maths, they have been learning their number bonds to 10 and then applying this to larger numbers and problem solving.

Willow class

The class have started their class text 'Journey to Jo'burg'. Next week they will be learning to write an informal letter as part of their English lessons. They have also created poppies that will be used to create a Remembrance display in the hall. In computing the Year 4s are looking at how to input and create audio and the Year 5s are learning how to create their own video.

Oak class

In Science (Outdoor Learning), the children have begun their topic on evolution. They have been learning about the fossil record this week and how fossils are created. They have begun looking at their new text Journey to the River Sea which is linked to their Geography topic on Brazil.

Dates for your diary- <https://www.middlebartonschool.org/school-calendar-and-term-dates>

18th November - Children in Need

24th November- Children's Flu vaccinations

30th November- Rags to Riches- Reusable clothes collection (fundraising)

6th December- Whole school Pantomime Trip to Chipping Norton Theatre

7th December- Information about phonics- parent session (6pm-7pm)

9th December- Christmas Jumper day for SMA (Spinal muscular atrophy)

13th December- KS2 Christmas performance to parents and the Community

14th December- KS2 Christmas performance to parents in the church (10.30-11.30am)

14th December- Acorn and Sycamore Christmas performance to parents in school (2-3pm)

15th December- Acorn and Sycamore Christmas performance to parents in school (5-6pm)

16th December- Christmas lunch

20th December- School finishes for Christmas- 1.30pm

Morning run

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved their Half Marathon or full Marathon certificate this week!

Half Marathon: Thomas J, Freddie N

Marathon: Harvey, Alfie V

The number of laps run by all the children in the half term up until 21st October is 4922, making a total distance of 821 miles! This is a great achievement by all Morning Runners – well done, everybody!

Special mentions this week go to: Asher, Archie A, John, Xander, Emilia, James, Minnie, Axel, Jacob, Harrie P, Freddie C, Georgia, Ivan, Faith, Hope, Fred, Harley J and Nell.

Acorn stars of the week: Annabelle and Steil

Sycamore Stars: Jayden and Layla

Maple Stars: Alfie A and Emilia

Willow Stars: Charlie and Roxy

Oak Stars: Lily R and Harris

Star of the week: Archie M

FOMBS

FOMBS would like to thank everybody who supported our annual Fireworks event yesterday evening.

We hope you enjoyed the fantastic display!

Thank you also to all the volunteers who were servers, fire marshals, stall holders, and those who set up and cleared away.

It is only possible to hold an event such as this with the help of many people, so we appreciate everybody who gave up their time.

Come to the Annual General Meeting at school on **Thursday 24th November at 7.30pm** to find out how much was raised and what we may spend the money on. More details on this next week.

From the Governors:

Middle Barton School is looking for additional governors to join our small but enthusiastic team. If you are interested in joining us to help support and challenge our school to be the best it can be, please contact any of the following for more information. Thank you.

Alison Umney [Co Chair]

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Rachel Houghton [Co Chair]

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Vicky Walker [school business manager]

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or Kim Griffin [Head teacher]

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What's on in West Oxfordshire

The Council has recently launched a '[What's On West Oxon](#)' events page. Here families can find an amazing variety of things to do in the run up to Christmas. From festive markets and craft fairs to heritage bus rides and jazz singers, there is something for everyone, right here in West Oxfordshire!

Having fun in the Autumn leaves!



Dojo points

Acorn - Fred

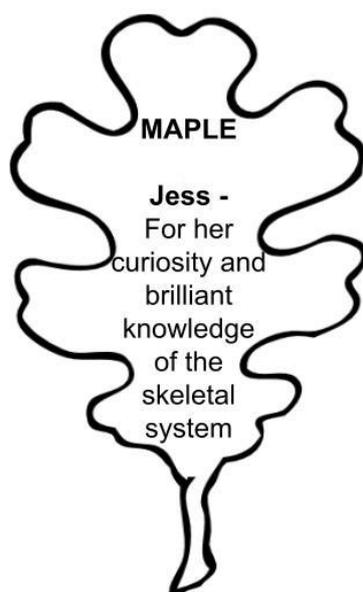
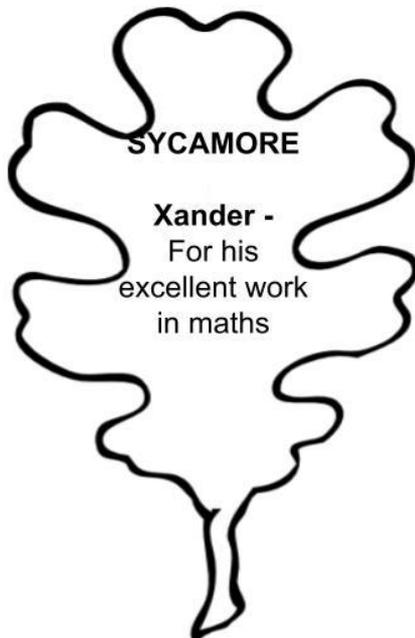
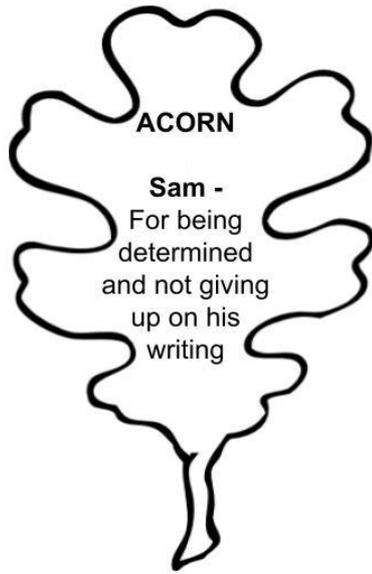
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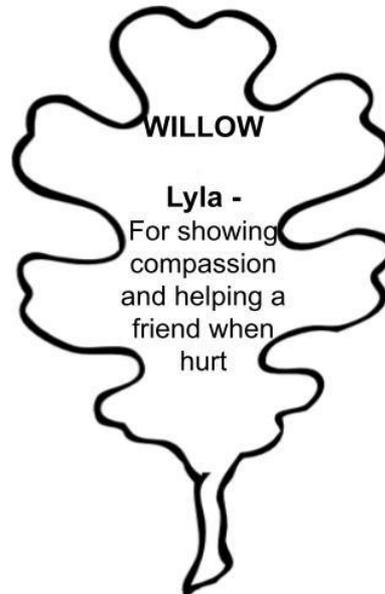
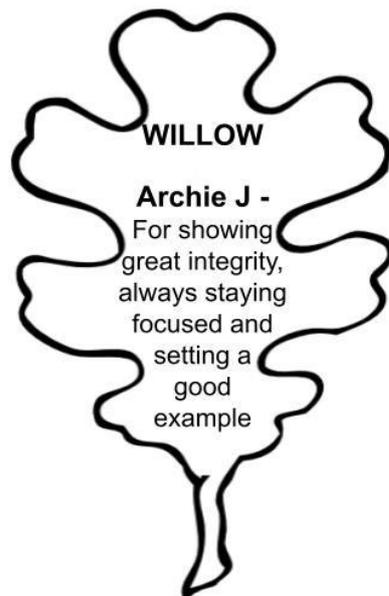
Sycamore – Tom

Oak - Theo

Maple - Nate

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.

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