



Middle Barton School

Be Curious, Believe, Challenge, Achieve

Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023

Head's News

We have had a few extra-curricular events going on this week in school. Evie H, in year 5, took part in the AIM (Able, Interested and Motivated) Art event at Chipping Norton School. She produced a lovely piece of artwork which is currently displayed in the school art gallery. Evie has also written an article below. We have also had 8 year 6 children attend the swimming gala at Chipping Norton pool. The team spirit and enthusiasm was amazing and they were all an absolute credit to the school. They have also written an article below.

Assembly

Do we throw things away too easily?

This week in assembly we learnt about upcycling shops and the Repair Cafe in Wales. We realised that we were actually quite good at upcycling at school.

Here are some examples of other things we looked at that had been upcycled:



Curriculum

Acorn class

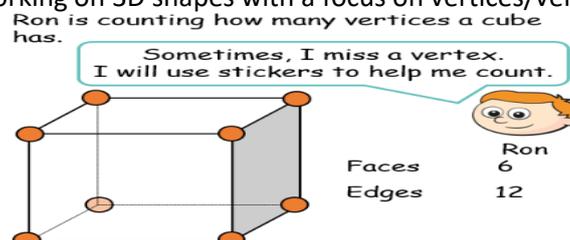
The children have been learning all about the Lunar New Year this week. They have been dancing around school with dragons and even having a banquet to celebrate. 🐉

rabbit shaped biscuits as well. 🐰

Sycamore class

They have gone back in time this week to the Victorian era. They have been learning about Victorian houses and how they compare to houses today.

In Maths, they have still been working on 3D shapes with a focus on vertices/vertex.



Maple class

In Maths, the children have been learning to use their times tables and place value knowledge to solve questions using larger numbers (50 x6). They have also started a new writing unit and are writing a diary.  In RE they have been learning about the main beliefs of Islam.

Willow class

Reading lessons this week have been linked to their history topic on Ancient Greece- they will all be walking Ancient Greek encyclopaedias soon with the amount they are learning about! In Maths, they have continued with multiplying and focused on multiplying 4-digit number by 2-digit number.

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Oak class

I saw some lovely practical Science going on in Oak class this week. They were learning about about the refraction of light. They were experimenting using light, an image and a glass of water. A few things got a little damp but there were also some wow moments too.  

Dates for the Diary

<https://www.middlebartonschool.org/school-calendar-and-term-dates/>

Wednesday 25th January- Under 9 and Under 11 Cross country run at Chipping Norton

Wednesday 1st February- Year 3/4 Ball skills festival at Chipping Norton School- awaiting final confirmation

Wednesday 8th February- Open afternoon for all- 2.30pm

Friday 10th February- Weights and Height (Reception and Year 6)- letters to follow

CNPS Art for (AIM) children

A report from Evie H, Willows

Art motivated by Marc Allante

When I went to Chipping Norton School, I went into their art room and sat on a stool. Then they told us what to do. After that we got red, yellow and blue ink, then we all painted our outline onto a wooden canvas.

At the end I had created a zebra which contained a lot of colours. I thought it was so fun! I loved it and I am very happy about what I made and the art teacher was very kind. She would make sure you knew what you were doing.

I had the best time! I think the best part in my opinion were the helpers, they were really kind and caring.



Morning Run

Our Morning Run has also been disrupted by icy weather which rendered the track unsafe for running so unfortunately there has been a delay in pupils receiving certificates. However, the few laps that were completed plus some training in PE completed by Oak class have enabled the following presentations. Incredibly, just a few laps were all that was needed for Nate F from Maple Class to complete 2½ marathons – the furthest distance run by any pupil this year! Well done!

Half Marathon: Theo C

Marathon: Dexter

2½ Marathons: Nate F

There is some other good news: when Mrs Henderson calculated the total distance travelled by all our participants, she discovered that we have run the equivalent of 64 marathons! The total number of laps completed is 9973 which is 1663 miles.

This is a fantastic achievement – well done everybody!

Acorn class 505 laps 85 miles

Sycamore class 1790 laps 299 miles

Maple class 1719 laps 287 miles

Willow class 3101 laps 517 miles

Oak class 2858 laps 477 miles

CNPS Swimming Gala

A report from Harrie P

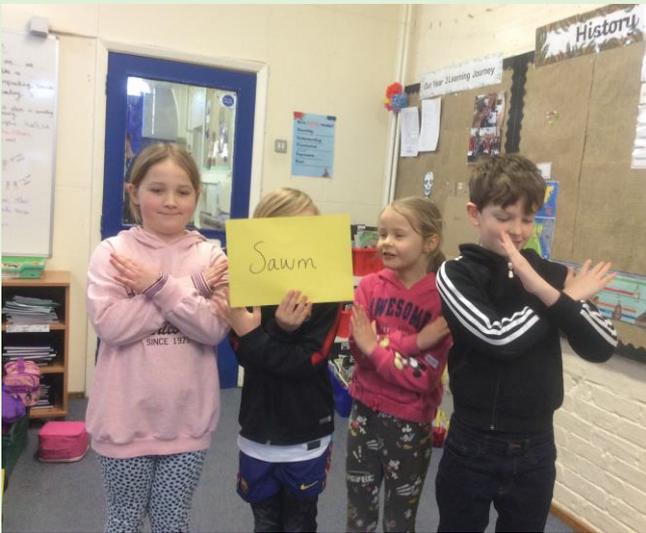
On Wednesday, eight year sixes went to Chipping Norton Leisure Centre for a swimming gala. We were competing against four other schools. Harrie P enjoyed it because she generally likes swimming. The coaches from Four Shires swimming club used their timers to find the winners of each race. Harry C enjoyed it because we did a variety of strokes. There were five races, freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, medley and a float race. One person said that they enjoyed the tournament as we got to experience another year 6 sporting event. As there were five schools and only four lanes we had to do the races in heats. Harvey enjoyed it because he enjoyed competing against other people. In all the races, apart from the float race, four of us went to the pool side and got ready to swim. All the races were relay races. For the float race all eight of us were swimming. Another person said that they found the gala really fun because they hadn't swum for 2 years before the gala. Poppy loved it as it was her first swimming competition. Once the first person had got to the other end of the pool the person from that end would come back down to our end. Millie liked it because she enjoys swimming and it makes her more competitive. After we had done all the races, we got our results. We were tied in third place for the medley. Phoebe said that she was nervous at first but after she had got in the pool she really enjoyed it.

Acorns celebrate the Lunar New Year

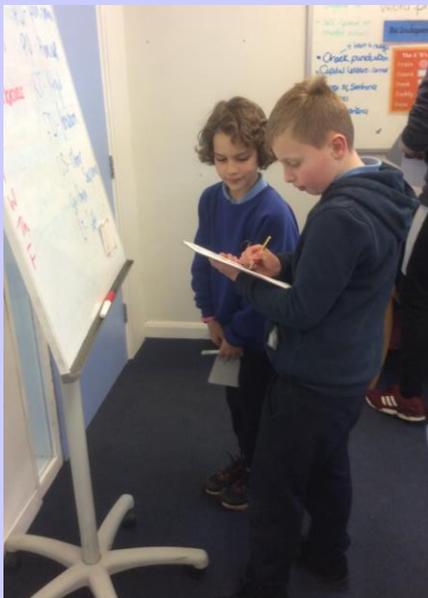
The Year of the Rabbit



Maples learning about the main beliefs of Islam



Willows - Maths solving treasure hunt



Art Club making dragons

We started with mini clay dragons that breathe smoke when incense is placed underneath. Cally was so impressed that she decided we should make giant ones to have on display at the Kingham Sculpture show! We started with a wire base and have been building onto it and shaping for the last few months. They are huge so it is a big project and has taken a lot of time, but today we have sealed our dragons ready for painting next week!



Dojo points

Acorn – Sylvia

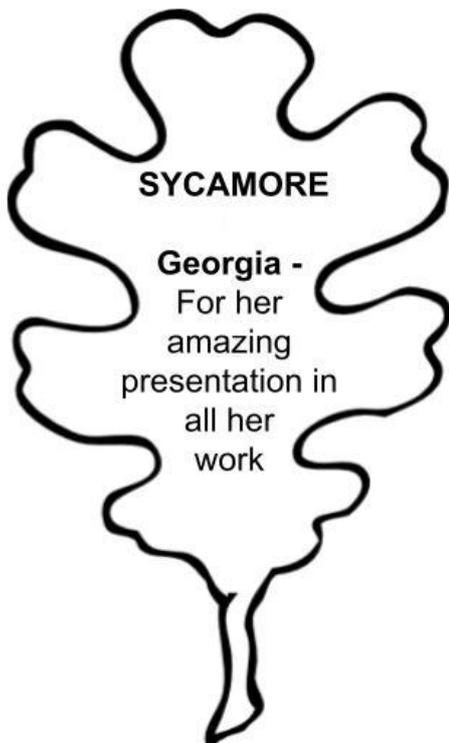
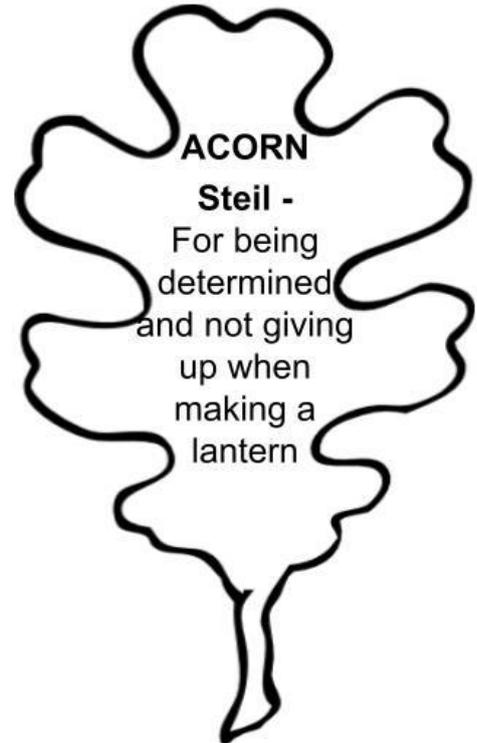
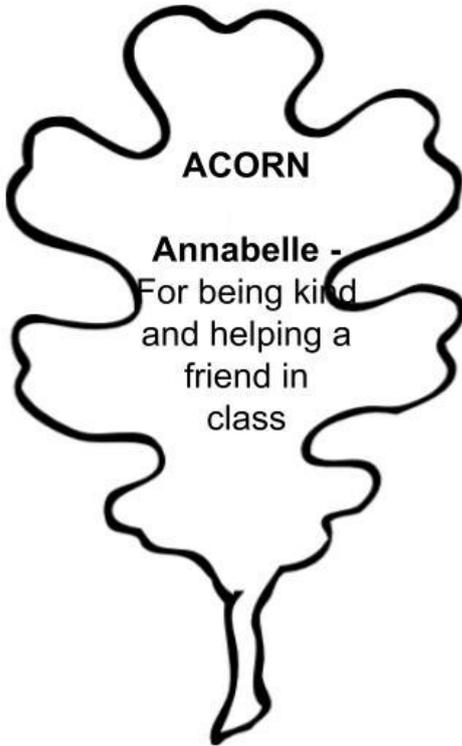
Sycamore – Sienna

Maple - Toby

Willow – Erin

Oak - Sachini

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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