



Middle Barton School

Be Curious, Believe, Challenge, Achieve

Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

Head's News

There are lots of events going on during this term and school is very busy. Please keep an eye on Dojo and the calendar and we will always do our best to send out reminders.

If you haven't already, please can you complete the stakeholders survey from RLT. We always want to improve the school so any feedback is gratefully received.

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Coronation picnic- Don't forget to come along and join us at school to celebrate the Coronation next Friday. Weather permitting, we will be having a family picnic at 12.00pm. The children can come dressed in red, white and blue and FOMBS will be selling cream teas. If it looks like rain, we will still be celebrating in school with the children but the picnic may have to be cancelled. We will let you know in advance.

Assembly

How do you learn best?

An educational television programme for young people in Afghanistan has been launched by the BBC. The TV show has been created to help children, who have been banned from going to school in the country, and is aimed at children aged 11 to 16. The Taliban group, who took over the country in 2021, have stopped girls over the age of 11 from attending school. The weekly programme is called Dars, which means 'lesson' in Afghanistan's official languages.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your thoughts on the new TV programme for young people in Afghanistan.
- > Thinking about how you learn, what is your preferred way, e.g., by listening, writing, doing?
- > In what ways would your life be different without school?

Acorn class

Acorns have spent the week learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. They have produced some lovely artwork which is displayed in their classroom. They have also made some delicious smoothies with Mrs Horner.

Sycamore class

I have visited a few times this week and I have seen some lovely handwriting practise going on. I have also seen them applying their reading skills so they are able to answer comprehension questions. In Maths, they have been learning about capacity and volume.

Maple class

With Mrs Horner this week they have been learning about soil types and which one drains the best. They conducted an experiment and found out that the soil on the field didn't drain very well at all- we will keep wearing our wellies! They have also been learning about fractions in Maths.

Willow class

Willows have continued to write their poems ready for the Coronation celebration and have been working hard to edit and write them up. They have also been focussing on fractions in Maths.

Oak class

We are getting very close to SATs week so bits of revision and preparation have been going on. They have also been making some things to wear for the Coronation- I am looking forward to seeing their creations. One side of the greenhouse has also been constructed!

Dates for the diary-

Saturday 29th April- TLC Day- all invited to help spruce up the school!

Monday 1st May- Bank Holiday- School closed

Wednesday 3rd May- Year 4/5 (selected children) - CNPS TAG Rugby- At Chipping Norton Rugby Club

Friday 5th May- Family Coronation picnic 12-2pm- All invited

Monday 8th May- Bank Holiday- School closed

Tuesday 9th May-12th May- Year 6 SATs tests

Thursday 18th May- Kingham Art- KS2

Friday 19th May- FOMBS plant sale

Wednesday 24th May- Year 4,5,6 (selected children) CNPS Athletics at Chipping Norton School (2.30pm-5pm)

Friday 29th May- Break up for half term (3.10pm)

Morning Run

Many congratulations to the following super runners who receive their certificates this week!

Half Marathon: Millie B

Two Marathons: Reggie

There is a constant stream of participants every week and every lap counts, so don't forget to check the list on the netball post by the track which records those runners who are nearing their goal! We have seen quite a few Acorns (and their Pre-school friends and siblings) going around the track this week which is excellent news, and there has been a revival from Maple class too – keep up the good work everybody!

Acorn class stars Albie C-D and Orlaith

Sycamore class stars Millie J and Jayden

Maple class stars Mia and Asher

Willow class stars Stanley and Roxy

Oak class stars Lily R and Harvey

Special mentions: Ben, Isabella, Faith, Alfie A, Isabelle B, Theo C, Elouise, Archie A, Thomas, Wren, Mollie, Alex, Xander and Toby.

STAR of the week: Amelia-Rose

CNPS Year 4 Foreign Languages Festival

A report from Roxy and Gwennie

This week year 4 went to Chipping Norton School for a language festival, we learnt how to say parts of monsters in french. Next we tried french cheese, the Brie was delicious! After a few bits of mild and smelly cheeses we learnt the German for different animals. Then we attempted to learn dutch colours which was really tricky. We had a great afternoon.



Acorn Class

Acorns have had a busy week! They have been learning about the life-cycle of the butterfly and the frog. There was great excitement when a delivery of caterpillars arrived and much anticipation for what they will turn into!



Acorn class

Other activities this week have included:
looking for tadpoles in the pond



planting potatoes



and smoothie making



Sycamore Class

Sycamores have been seeing how things grow and planting seeds



Maple Class

Maples have been analysing the soil and testing for drainage



Willow Class

Willows are getting ready for the Coronation picnic by making their crowns



Oak Class

Junior Citizens

A report from Sachini

On the 21st of April, the year 6 class travelled to Heyford station and caught the train to Oxford city. From there, we walked to the Fire Station, where we were taken to a waiting room.

Afterwards, the class was split into groups and taken to different rooms, where we had to call the emergency services for each of the seven scenarios.

We can't go into much detail about what was in each room, as younger year groups will be going there in future, but each and every one of us enjoyed the event, and we can't wait to share the experience with the rest of the school.

Visiting author

A report from Harrie P

On Tuesday, author Hannah Foley visited our school to talk about her new book, *The Tiger who Sleeps Under My Chair*.

A girl called Rosie Linden goes missing on the Jurassic Coast. With her friend Jude, she discovers family secrets, buried like layer upon layer of rock.

Hannah then spoke to us about mental health and her job as a district nurse. She told us that on the outside we can all be similar, but on the inside we are all different. She told us about how she accidentally became an author. She had started out as an illustrator when the publisher asked her to write a book.



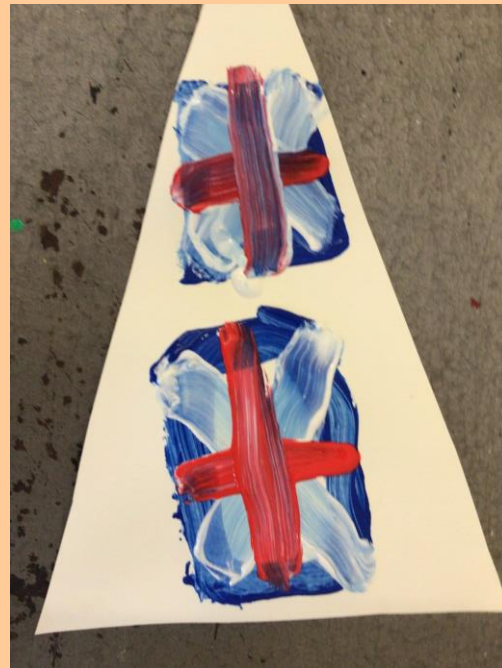
Greenhouse update



Good progress is being made, but we still need another **900** 2 litre plastic bottles, so please ask around anyone you know and keep saving!

Wraparound Care

Children in Breakfast and Teatime club have been preparing for the Coronation celebrations



A throne fit for a King!

You are cordially invited on Wednesday 3rd May to our next very special workshop!

Breakfast - A breakfast fit for a King and of course games.

Teatime - A Royal Buffet, games and party fun!

Book you space at this special celebration Workshop via the office

Dojo points

Acorn – Molly Sycamore – Lily Maple – Asher & Nate
Willow – Mollie Oak -Harrie P

Values leaves

ACORN

Ramona -
For being a
kind and
caring friend
when her friends
are upset

ACORN

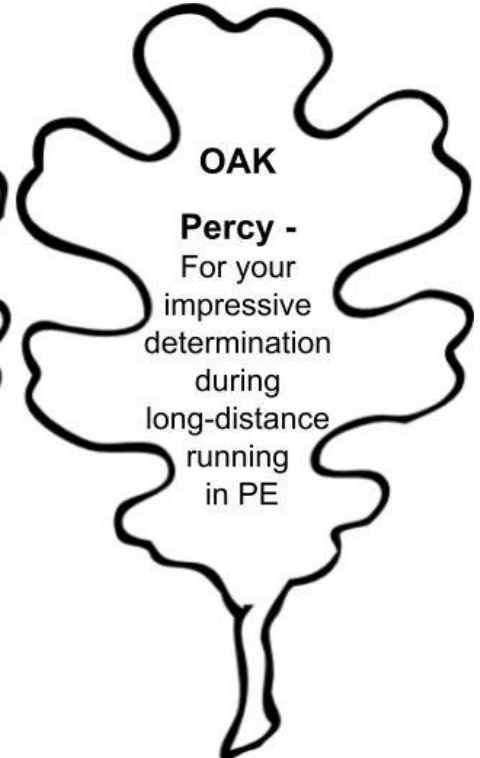
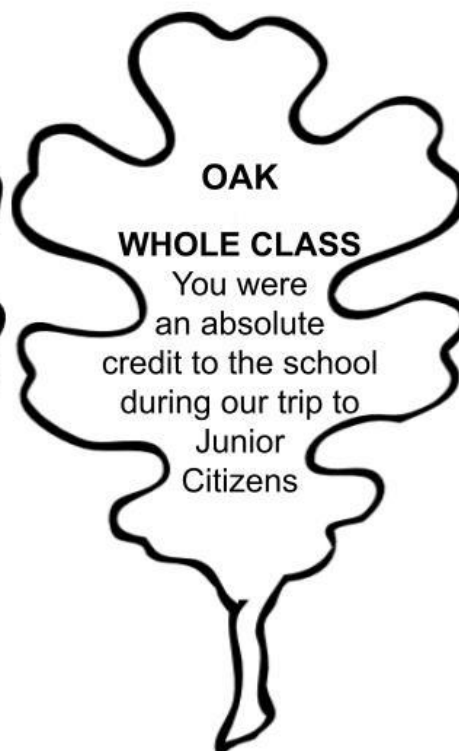
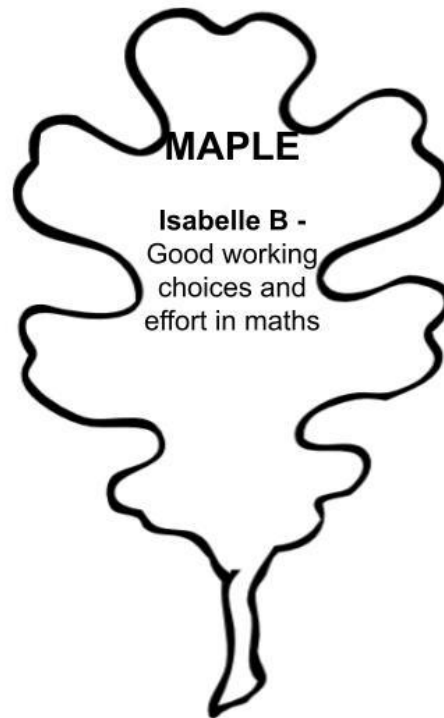
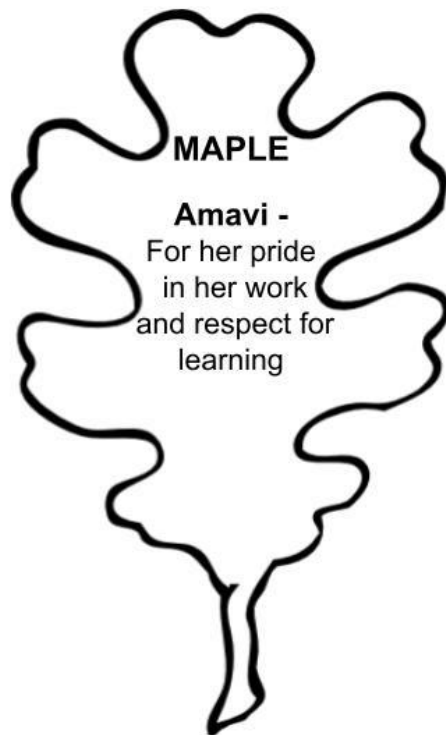
Steil -
Amazing
effort in
phonics and
writing this
week

SYCAMORE

Noah, Theo, Georgia
For their
courage and
determination when
jumping
into the deep
end
during
swimming

SYCAMORE

Isla-Grace -
For her
enthusiasm
towards all she
does.



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.

[Report child abuse | Oxfordshire County Council](#)