



Middle Barton School

Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023

Head's News

Autumn is definitely on its way! The school days have been a little damp this week and the mornings are certainly getting colder. Please can you make sure that the children have full waterproofs (coat and trousers) and wellies in school EVERY day. We like to try and go out whatever the weather, as we value how important fresh air and exercise are to the minds and bodies of the children.

Attendance: 97.69 WHOLE SCHOOL

This is a great start to the year as our target is always to keep the whole school attendance at 97% or above. Last year I believe we were the highest in the Trust and one of the highest in the local area too. Every day in school the children learn so many new things, so each day they attend is vital to their education and progress.

Personal Development

DEFINITION- The curriculum provided by schools should extend beyond the academic, technical or vocational. Schools support pupils to develop in many diverse aspects of life.

This week's Personal Development opportunities:

Forest School/Outdoor Learning for all classes

Choir

Art Club

Sports Training (football)

Eco club

Yoga sessions

Football club

Next week:

Under 11 football tournament at Chipping Norton School

Year 6- Junior Citizens

Open the Book Club

Thank you to Mrs Merry for organising a parent session the week- 'Introduction to Early Year Foundation Stage'. We were a little low on attendees, but thank you to those that did come and we hope to see a few more of you at the Phonics evening that will be taking place soon.

Curriculum

Acorns

They have all been learning about homes. Year 1 have produced some amazing sentences- my favourite was from Sylvia- 'My house is a mermaid house underwater'. The Reception children have begun 'Squiggle while you Wiggle' this week which really helps to develop both gross and fine motor skills. Today forest school was a little chilly, but I know they will have all enjoyed the first hot chocolate and taken part in some lovely activities.

Maples

In Maths, the class have continued to learn about place value and in the lesson I observed this week they focussed on positioning numbers correctly on a number line with numbers up to 1000. In Science, they have been learning about the importance of the skeleton and made their very own moving ones.

Willows

In English, the class has continued to work on the non-chronological reports about the Tudors. They have been learning how to add in parenthesis, fronted adverbials and subordinating conjunctions to make their writing more interesting for the audience. In Reading, they have continued with their book 'Spy Master' and they have explored some very interesting vocabulary- ushered, demeanor, exaggerated, earnestly, clamouring etc.....

Oaks

I saw a brilliant lesson this week where the children were using liquorice allsorts as a pre-requisite for learning about classification in science. I do believe a few may have also been consumed!!!!

The class has continued to write their letters of complaint- I have a feeling a few might be coming my way! They have worked on adding in rhetorical questions, modal verbs and emotive language. I am looking forward to reading these soon!

Have a lovely weekend

Dates for the Diary

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

Wednesday 27th September- Year 5/6 (nominated children)- CNPS Under 11 football tournament - 2.30pm- 4.45pm

Friday 29th September- Year 6- Junior Citizens (in school time)

Monday 2nd October- Year 5 (nominated children)- CNPS DT AIMS workshop - 3.35pm- 5.15pm

Friday 6th October- FOMBS Disco

Tuesday 10th October- Open afternoon (WHOLE SCHOOL)- 2.30pm-3.00pm

Tuesday 10th October- Oaks cake sale- 3.00pm-3.30pm

Monday 16th October- Friday 20th October- Parent meetings

Wednesday 18th October – Year 5/6 (nominated children) CNPS cross country – 2.30- 4.30pm

Friday 20th October- Flu immunisations- all children

FOMBS

FOMBS Sale on the Field (Car Boot Sale) - Sunday 1st October 11am

Bring a car full of items to sell and put up your pitch with tables / blankets to earn some extra cash before Christmas!

Reserve your pitch in the school office with £5 (cash: non-refundable) and pay the remaining £5 on the day.

Everyone welcome to browse and buy.

FOMBS will be selling teas and coffees.



Morning Run

This week we have dodged the rain showers for another successful week of Morning Run with fifty-six pupils participating and three Pre-school siblings! A handful of children have reached the halfway mark towards their Half Marathon certificate: five from Oaks, three from Willows and three from Maples. This is excellent news because if they continue their current efforts, we shall be able to present some certificates before half term!

Note that any laps run in PE lessons can be added to your total so don't forget to remind your teacher to forward the laps to Mrs Denby.

Special mentions:

All-star Acorns: Orlaith Bo, Sandali, Indy, Ivan, Fred, Steil, Orlaith Ba, Ben, Albie C-D, Jacob, Andrew, Ramona, and Rowan.

Mega Maples: Albie L, Nell, Isla-Grace, Millie, Jayden, Teddy, Tom, Xander, Reggie, Elise, Sienna, Layla and Noah.

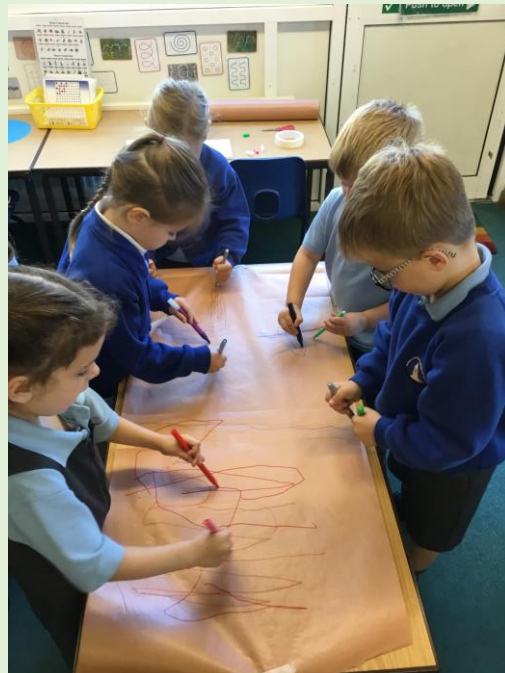
Wonderous Willows: Archie M, Harley, Asher, Henry, Nate F, Freddie C, Alfie A, Charlie, Mia and James.

On-the-ball Oaks: Archie H, Samuel, Nate B-G, Leá, Ruby, Juno, Erin, Annabelle M, Mollie, Katherine, Archie A, Stanley, Jozef, Billy and Thomas.

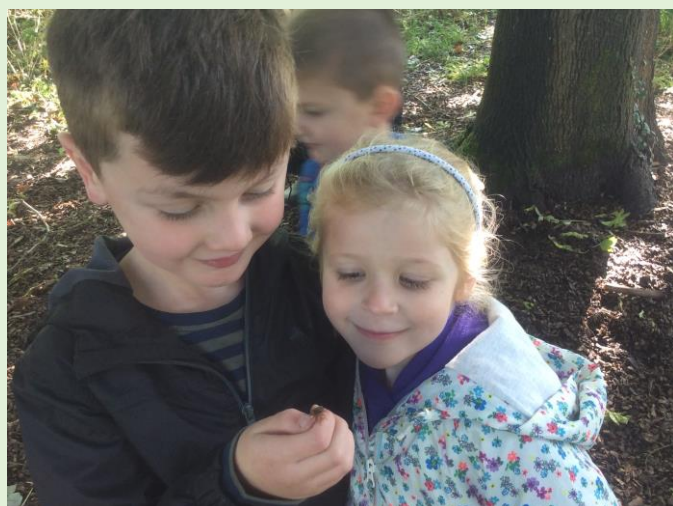
Star of the Week: Axel

Acorn

Squiggle while you wiggle



Forest School fun



Maple

As part of their history topic, Maples made Stone-Age crumble using fruit foraged from around the school.



Willow

Waiting for the pot to boil – ice cubes to water!

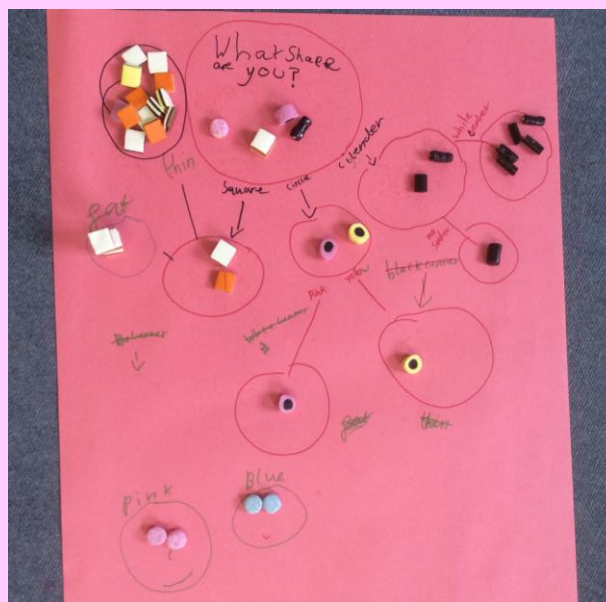


Out with Oaks on tree maintenance



Oak

Sorting and classification – of Liquorice Allsorts!



Maples have painted rocks to display outside the Hive



Dojo points

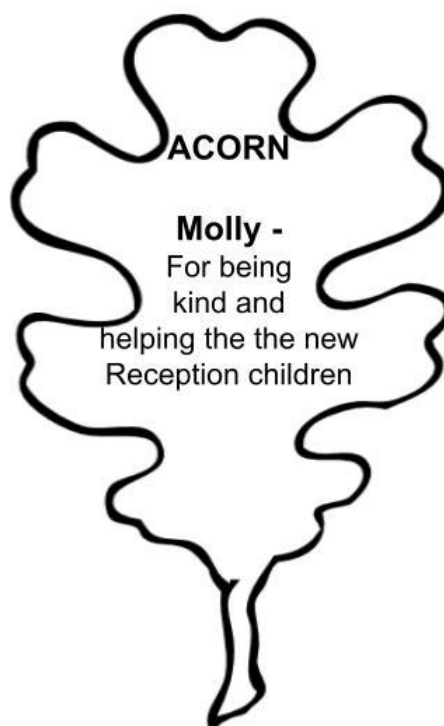
Acorn – Riley

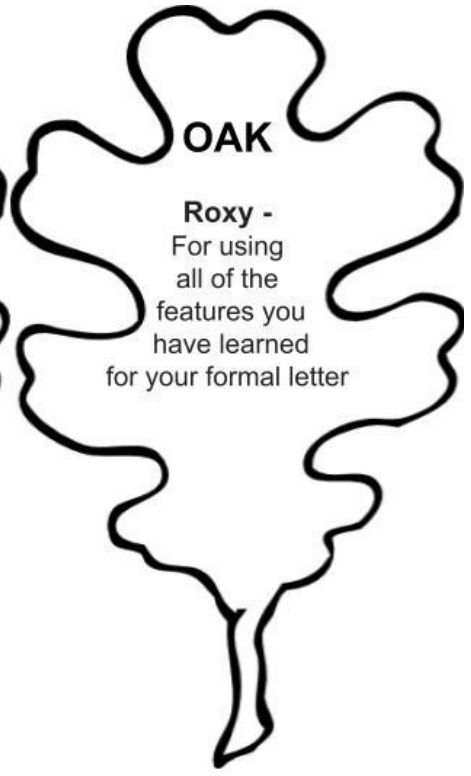
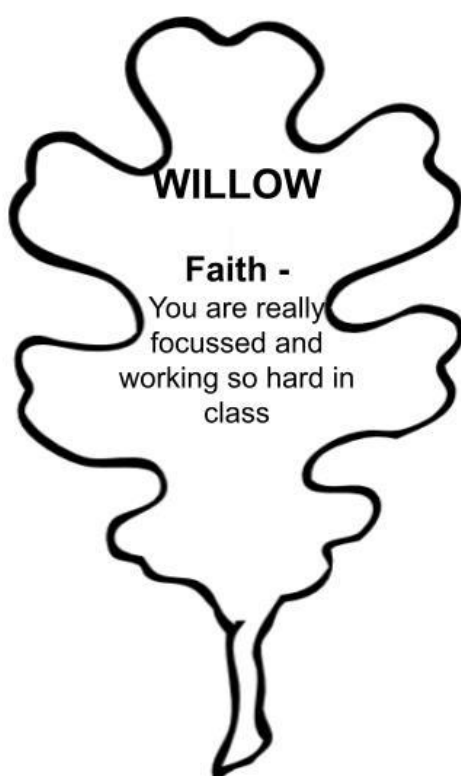
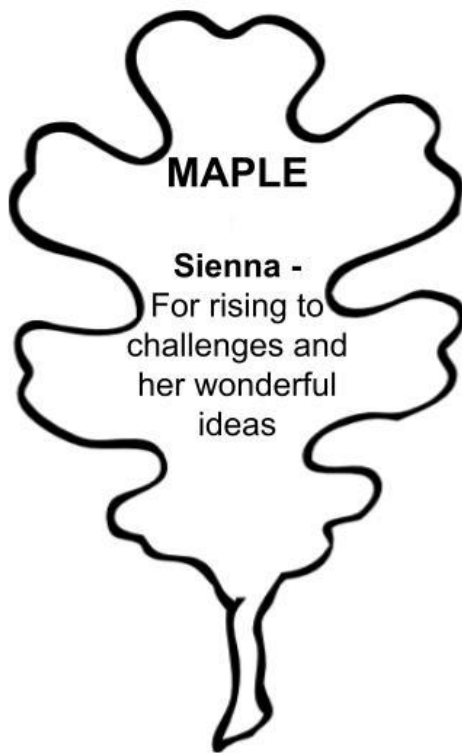
Maple – Teddy

Willow - Henry L

Oak - Jozef

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.

