



Middle Barton School

Newsletter

Friday 19th January 2024

Head's News

It has been rather chilly at school this week, but we have still managed to run around the track most days and I

know there are more and more half and full marathons being achieved. Well done everyone! 🏃🏻‍♂️

Assembly



In the news this week

A study from the University of Valencia, in Spain, found that print reading could boost skills by six to eight times more than digital reading, for example, on an e-reader or tablet. The study, published in the Review of Educational Research, also found that while there is a negative relationship between digital reading and comprehension for primary school pupils, the relationship turns positive for secondary school-aged pupils.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you enjoy reading? If so, what type of books?
- > Talk to someone at home about the types of books they like to read.
- > Do you think you would prefer to read printed books, or books on an e-reader?
- > Do you think that one day, e-readers will replace books?



The majority of children said they preferred to read a 'real' book rather than an e-book.

Attendance

This year so far.... 96.69%

This week.... 96%

Personal Development for this term

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 term's Personal Development opportunities:

A variety of clubs: Choir, Sport, Football, Eco-committee, private guitar and piano

Swimming lessons

Swimming Gala at Chipping Norton

Year 4/5 Science club at Chipping Norton

Curriculum

Acorn class

They have continued to learn about space this week and I have seen a plethora of rockets being made in the creative area ready to fly home! 🚀 They have also been learning about what it is like in space without gravity. 🤖

Today the class made biscuits with Mrs Horner. I always think that cooking incorporates so many learning opportunities- reading, measuring, fine and gross motor and most importantly analysing! 😊

Maple class

In Maths, the class have been learning to multiply 2-digit number by 1-digit numbers using a variety of methods:

$$2 \times 4 = \square$$

$$2 \times 20 = \square$$

$$\square + \square = \square$$

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$$22 \times 4 =$$

Keep practising those times tables!

In English, they have begun to write their diaries about the discovery of King Tutankhamun's tomb- I am looking forward to reading these soon!

Willow class

The class have begun to write their non-chronological reports about the Industrial Revolution. They have been thinking about how to engage the reader using a variety of techniques including the vocabulary choice and the use of punctuation. In Science, they have been learning all about the different types of teeth and what they each do. They

even made a set of teeth out of marshmallows!! 

Oak class

This week they have had their first swimming session at Chipping Norton School.  They have learned about ratio in Maths and learnt the language and related symbols.

Dates for the diary

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

W/C 22.01.24. – Clubs this week:

Monday – Teams sports for Y5,6

Tuesday – Choir for Y3,4,5,6

Wednesday – Open the Book for Y1,2,3

Thursday – Eco committee (nominated children from classes) until half term

Friday – Football Club

Tuesday 23.01.24. – Willow swimming (first session)

Wednesday 24.01.24. – Open the Book Club for Years 1,2,3 starts

Wednesday 31.01.24. – CNPS hockey tournament (nominated children)

Friday 02.02.24. – West Oxon cross country finals, Bicester (nominated children)

Friday 02.02.24. 3.10pm – clothing swap

Monday 05.02.24. – Rags to Riches textiles collection

Wednesday 07.02.24. 2.30-3.10pm – Open afternoon for parents and Acorns' bake sale

Wednesday 07.02.24. – CNPS ball skills festival for Years 3, 4

Friday 09.02.24. 3.10pm – end of first half of term (football club on as usual)

Morning run

Well done to everyone who has braved the bitter weather this week - forty-six children have still run laps around the field (or walked if it was a little slippery)... and we have a haul of certificates to show for it!

Half Marathon - Lucy, Ivan, Alex, Leá, Asher

Marathon – Stanley, Millie J

One-and-a-half Marathons - Harley, Albie L

Congratulations to you all! Great work!

Acorn stars - Ben, Orlaith Bo, Rowan, Axel, Fred, Jack

Maple stars - Jayden, Noah, Reggie, Xander, Tom, Nell, Layla

Willow stars - Archie J, Freddie C, Mia, Archie M, Alice, Nate, Henry, Alfie A, Charlie

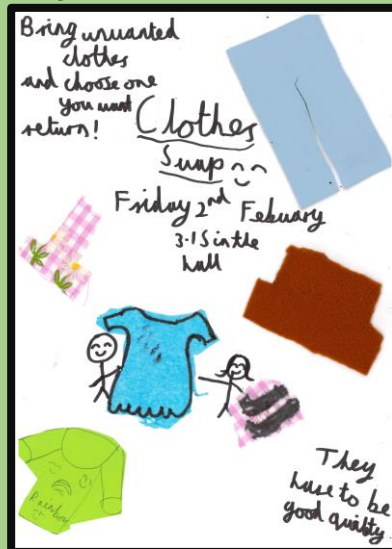
Oak stars - Finlay, Annabelle M, Archie A, Billy, Gabbie, Juno, Jozef

Star of the Week - Ben

Eco Schools Green Flag Award

This week was the first meeting of our school Eco Committee – Rowan, Axel, Georgia, Wren, Amelia M, Asher, Isabelle C, Katherine, Mollie, Juno, Finlay.

For their first project towards our sustainability goals, they have organised a clothes swap, mainly for children's clothing, but adult clothing can also be brought. Clothes swap is an event where you bring your unwanted clothes (clean and good quality) and take away items that are new to you! It is completely free!



Any items left at the end of the clothes swap will be collected up and donated to the Rags to Riches collection, which will be on the following Monday. SHOULD YOU PREFER THAT YOUR CLOTHING IS NOT DONATED, PLEASE COLLECT AT THE END OF THE CLOTHES SWAP.



Check out how the donated clothing is used on this link:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/culture/article/reese-fernandez-ruiz-explorer-moments-ethical-clothing-helps-women#:~:text=The%20company%2C%20which%20markets%20itself,facility%20that%20generates%20zero%20waste>

So, time to refresh your wardrobes for something different, or just have a good clear out! Bags will be coming home with children, or more are available in the office (if they are not required, please return them to school for reuse).



Acorn class

Continuing their space theme, Acorns have been making rockets and finding out about the planets.



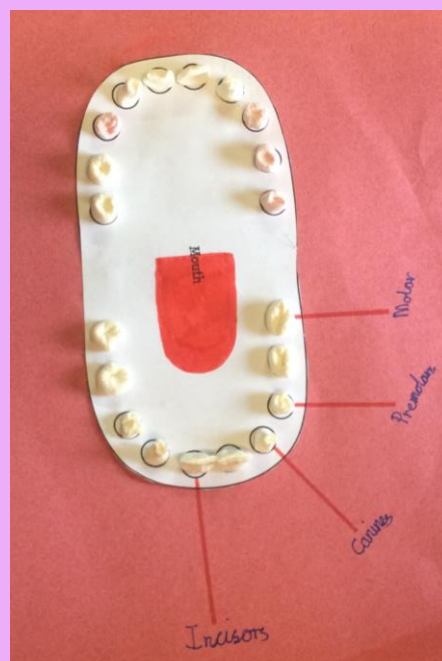
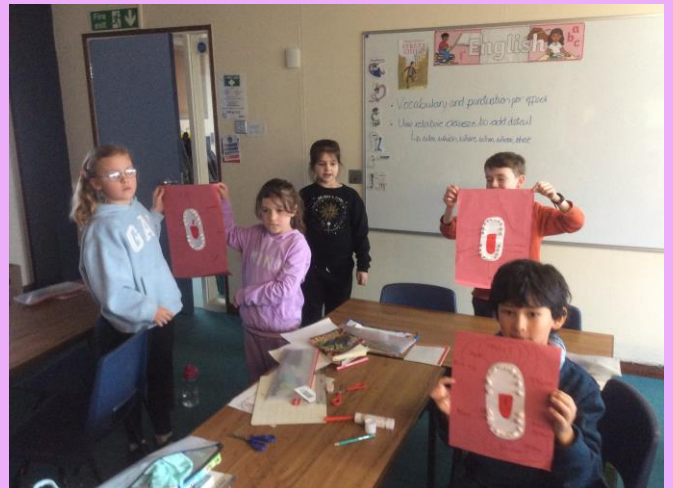
Maple class

It's Egyptians topic again! Mummifying oranges!



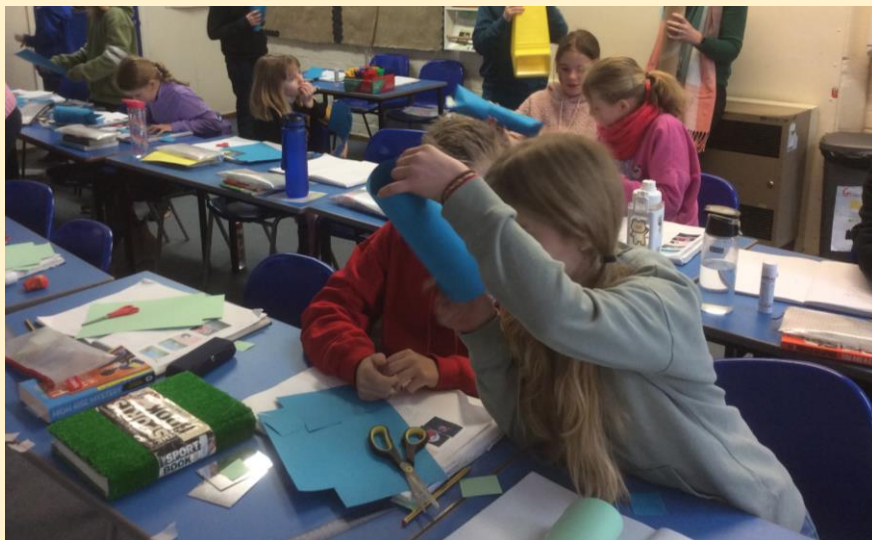
Willow Class

Willows have been learning about teeth and their positions in the mouth. The teeth are made from reshaped and reformed Marshmallows (not in the mouth!!)



Oak class

Oaks have been learning about light and reflection, they have made periscopes.



CNPS Swimming Gala

A report from Roxy:

The swimming gala was a fabulous experience, when we arrived on the bus I couldn't sit still in my seat, excitement filled up my whole body!!!

After we got changed, we went and sat by the poolside, ready for the warm up. The water was freezing when I first got in, but soon after I got moving it warmed up. First, Chipping Norton School said a big hello and then we got started. The first race was front crawl, then back stroke. As we swam across the pool you could hear your school, cheering you on. After that it was breaststroke, then the medley race. The medley race had lots of different strokes, then lastly we did a float race. A float race is when you hold a float in front of you and kick as hard as you can. Before we could go to our parents we went into a large hall, we were all given a certificate and then Chipping Norton School said "thank you!" I would recommend this for people who love competitive sports. I for one, loved it.



Dojo points

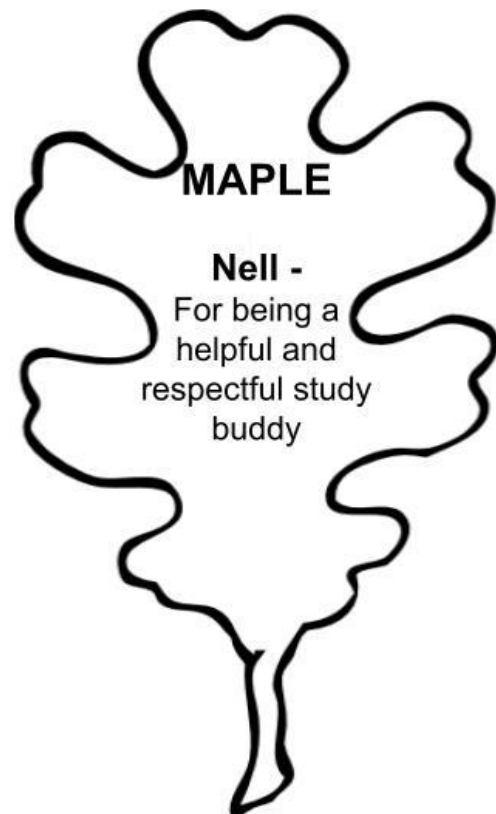
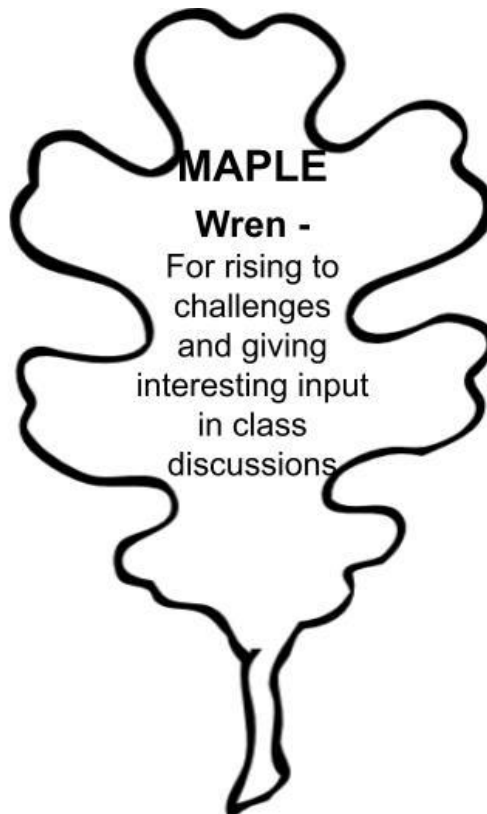
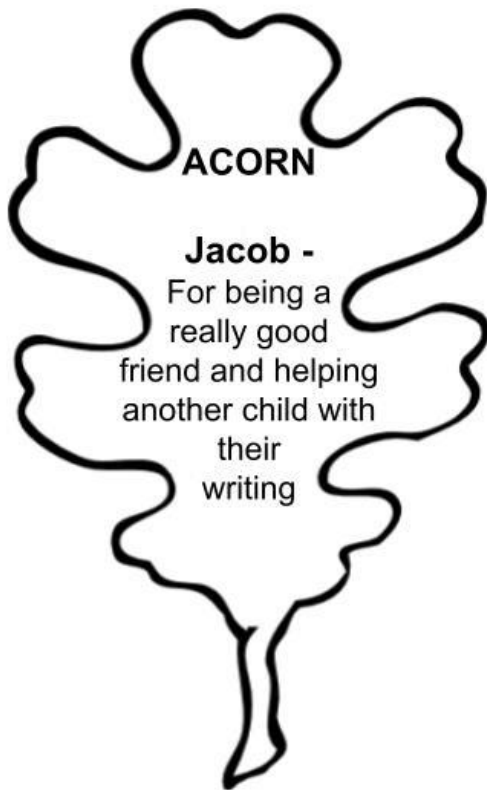
Acorn - Henry V

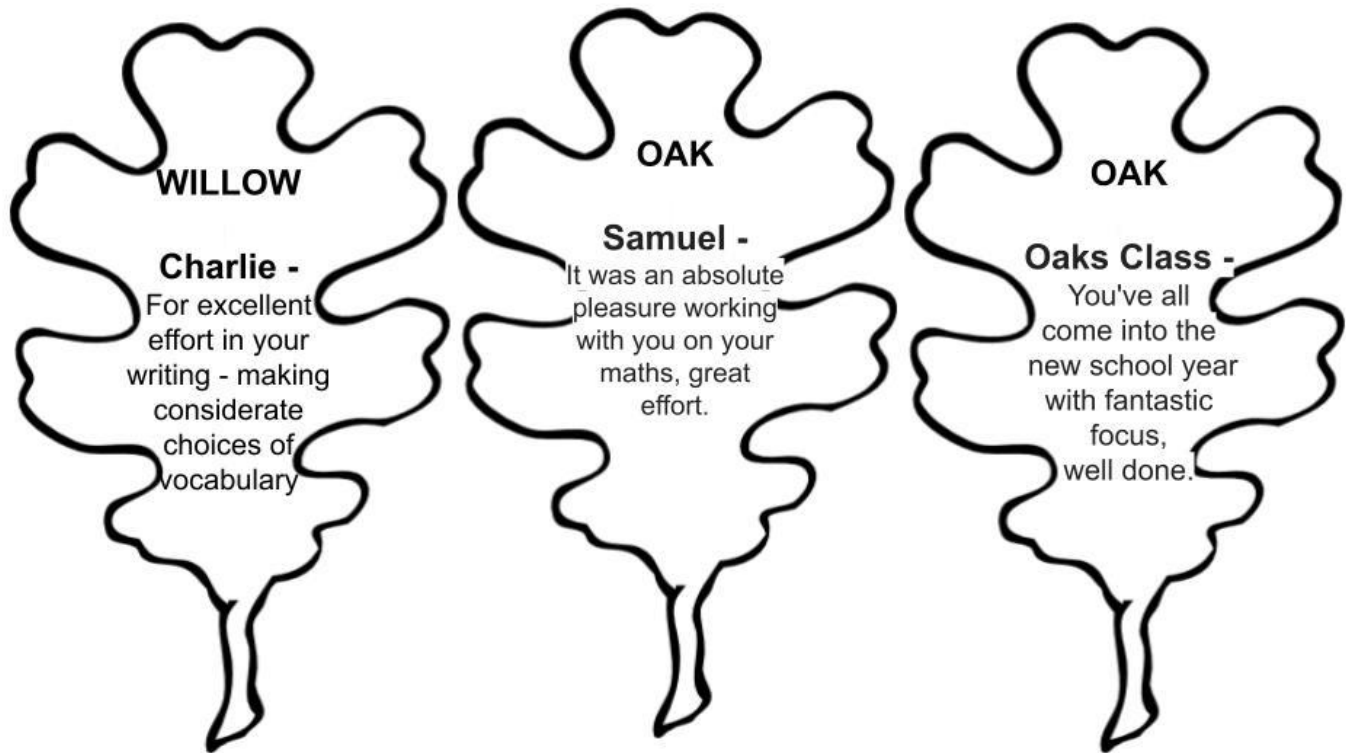
Willow - Asher

Maple - Millie

Oak - Gwennie

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.