



Friday 2nd February

Langtree Cluster Year 5 and 6 Girls Football tournament

The tournament was held at the Oratory School. The pitches were bathed in glorious winter sun. The girls looked resplendent in the new football kit. They all played like yellow and blue fire flies with a touch of orange on goal.

The B team were second in their tournament, with many notable performances. The Olympic value went to Tabitha for determination. The A team fought valiantly with plenty of action in all areas of the pitch. As the tournament progressed their skills improved exponentially. The Olympic value went to Sam who showed great determination on all areas of the pitch. Both teams proved to be fabulous ambassadors for the school once again.



Parents Evenings

Thank you if you have already booked but if you haven't done so already please can we remind you to book your parents evening slot on Parent Mail. Bookings will close 24hrs before the day of the Parents evening.

Coffee Morning

Please join us next Wednesday morning (February 7th) in the school hall, straight after drop off for our termly coffee morning. As it is Children's Mental Health Week next week, this will be our focus. There will be resources, guidance and an opportunity to speak with Mrs Welsh and Mrs Snowden, as well as other parents, over a cup of tea/coffee. All are welcome.

World Book Day in School – Thursday 7th March

Your child is invited to dress up as a character from their favourite book on **Thursday 7th March**. Thank you for your support.

Thank you

A thank you to a 97-year-old lady who wishes to remain anonymous. She was a former teacher who, at one point, had a relative who was very close to Woodcote Primary School. She is very keen to support children in education as much as she can and has kindly made a donation to FOWPS. Thank you. This money will be used to support the children.

Nuts

Please can we remind you that we are a NUT FREE school so no food containing nuts should come into school. We do have some children in school that are allergic to nuts. Thank you for your cooperation.

Lunch Time Supervisor Vacancies

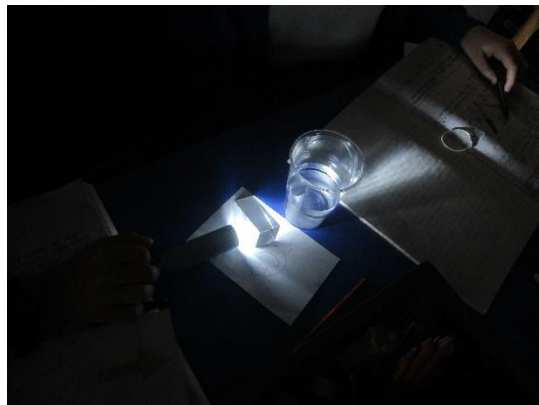
We currently have 2 positions available for working as a Lunchtime Supervisor. One consists of the usual Lunchtime Supervisory Role and the other is a 1:1 Support position across lunchtime. If you are interested, please get in touch or visit the Oxfordshire County Council website or click on the link below page. <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/children-education-and-families/working-children-and-young-people/teaching-and-school-vacancies>

Class Updates

Oak	<p>Oakies have had a wonderful week and it has been an absolute pleasure to be with them. We have been learning about the Chinese New Year and listened to the story of 'The Great Race'- see if they can tell you all about the cunning rat! We discovered your children were either born in the Year of the Pig or Dog – perhaps look up what this tells you about their character and see if it fits.</p> <p>Four of the children took a short trip across to the shop and garden centre to deliver our thank you cards for hosting us last week and they showed great knowledge on how to be a safe pedestrian.</p> <p>In outside learning, the children have loved turning the sand pit into an ice-cream shop with many wonderful flavours and even building an ice-cream train to deliver the ice-cream to the customers. Inside the children have designed ice-creams for the menu and looked at pennies to make their own version. Perhaps the children will make an ice-cream for you – watch out though, £10 is the going rate!</p> <p>We look forward to seeing you all at parent's evening next week and on Friday 9th February for Sharing Time at 3pm. Please come to the wooden gate at the side of cabin so we can let you in as the rest of the school will be in the hall for Sharing Assembly.</p>
Hornbeam	<p>This week in Hornbeam we have been learning all about Neil Armstrong and the first moon landing. We have read a diary entry about it as well as acting out exactly what happened. In Maths, we have been learning how to add numbers up to 20 by using the counting on method on a number line or adding the total using a tens frame. Finally, we had great fun on Monday looking at the artist Jackson Pollock, who was famous for creating his drip paintings. After learning about him, we then</p>

	went out onto the playground and created our own versions using a variety of equipment including lollipop sticks, paintbrushes and even some wooden spoons.
Beech	Year 2 have had a very busy week. In science this week, we visited the woods to learn more about which animals and plants live in a woodland habitat. We created tally charts of the birds and mini beasts we found and identified some trees. Some of us even found a newt! Our non-chronological reports we've written about a woodland habitat are now on display in Beech class and we look forward to sharing these with you at parents evening. We also visited St Leonard's church this week. We were looking out for symbols and special objects, and we had lots of questions for the Vicar, who kindly showed us around. In maths, we are learning how to multiply and divide and we have made clocks to help us to tell the time.
Ash	This week in Ash class, we have been writing our biographies of William Shakespeare in English and sharing some 'fun facts' that we have included in our writing. With a busy week in Maths, we looked at sharing and grouping as part of our work on <i>Multiplication and Division</i> , explored multiplying and dividing by 3 and finally, we looked at patterns in the 3 times table. After a session on sewing skills last week, we continued with our <i>Seascapes</i> topic in Art with great enthusiasm. This week, learning about painting on fabric and creating our own painted backgrounds. We look forward to sharing the finished artwork with you soon.
Rowan	Rowan...have been finding out about the features of non-chronological reports, with a view to planning and writing one about Woodcote, and then more independently, using their research to plan and write one about an aspect of rainforests or The Amazon. We are getting to grips with our practical skills multiplying and dividing using written methods, and practicing our times tables every day. To support this, please ensure Times Tables Rock Stars is completed at least 3 times a week at home.
Maple	What a lovely time we've had getting back to a (relatively) normal timetable in Maple Class! In Maths, we've begun to explore multiplication methods including the start of a column method and taking another look at the area method. We've been problem solving and feel fairly confident using these skills. English has seen us continue to explore Charlie Noon while diving into one of the trickiest new skills we're learning in English, relative clauses. We can now add additional information to sentences using relative pronouns and we feel it gives our writing a better 'flow.' Topic has seen us continuing with our flags (finished photos coming to the website soon!) while in RE we've been exploring and designing our own Islamic themed artwork. We're looking forward to our final week of the half term next week where we'll be wrapping up our flags, artwork and completing our book, Charlie Noon.
Willow	This week we felt the earth shaking in Willow class, okay more like the jelly and biscuits, as we looked at tectonic plates and how they cause earthquakes in our Geography topic. We learnt the three main ways the plates shift and the consequences of these. In English, we have written formal letters in response to one we received from a character in our book. Next week we will edit these and look at how we can up-level them. In Science, we became magicians as we made pictures 'flip' over and disappear! We then learnt the science behind this and how we can change the direction of light. Please make sure you've signed up for parents evening, we look forward to catching-up with you next week.

In Science year 6 children were learning all about refraction and clearly some children were very amazed by their findings!



Important dates

Monday 5 th February	Parents Evening 15:30 – 19:00
Thursday 8 th February	Parents Evening 15:30 – 18:00
Monday 5 th February – Friday 9 th February 2024	Children’s Mental Health week
Wednesday 7 th February	Coffee morning straight after morning drop off
Friday 9 th February	Oak class sharing time – all parents welcome – 3:00pm
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th February	Spring Half Term
Friday 1 st March	National offer Day for Secondary school places
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day in School – please dress up as a character from your favourite book.
Friday 8 th March	FOWPS Disco with DJ Ethan – more details to follow
Saturday 16 th March	FOWPS Coffee Shop & Uniform sales @ The Old School House
Friday 29 th March – Friday 12 th April	Easter Holidays

FOWPS

Thank you to all of our wonderful bakers, volunteers and cake eaters. We raised another spectacular £374 from last week's community coffee shop and second hand uniform sale. We will be back again on Saturday 16 March!

Please save the date - Friday 8th March for our next Disco with DJ Ethan. Our volunteer signup form and online ticket details will be available soon.

OTHER NEWS

February Half Term Brick Building workshop – flyer attached

Get into Teaching – flyer attached.

FREE NUMERACY CLASSES AT LANGTREE SCHOOL

Would you like to improve your KS3 Maths?

Would you like to be able to support your child better with their KS 3 Maths or feel like your maths could be improved?

The Maths department at Langtree are offering FREE numeracy classes for adults.

More details are on the poster attached or email spemberton@langtreeschool.com