



Friday 28th March 2025

### **Year 3/4 Performance**

We hope that you enjoyed the year 3/4 performance of "Hoodwinked". Didn't the children all do so well. A lot of hard work goes into making these performances happen and we would like to say "Thank you" to everyone involved.



### **Bikes & Scooters**

It is great that the children like riding their bikes and scooters to school but please can all children dismount their bike or scooter at the black entrance gate and park them in the racks provided. Similarly, can all children please walk their bike or scooter to the black gate in the afternoons before beginning to ride them. This is to avoid any accidents. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Tennis balls**

Thank you to Jon from Goring Tennis club who kindly donated 40 plus tennis balls to school for the children to use at lunchtimes.

### **Comic Relief**

You helped us raise a whopping £463.18 for Comic Relief by wearing red to school, buying red noses and taking part in the Colour Run. This is amazing, thank you all so much.

### **Breakfast club**

Please can we remind you that children need to arrive by 7:45am to have breakfast. The kitchen is closed from 7.50 and it is a long time until breaktime!

### **Cake Sale**

There is a Cake sale being held after school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. All nut free cake donations are gratefully received. All the children love a cake sale which in turn raises money for the classes. Thank you for your support.

## Class Updates

<b>Oak</b>	<p>What a brilliant week in Oak class. Everyone has been so impressed with how well the children have got on this week with all their learning and playing. They have done some great writing and have been busy learning the 'igh' sound which they will be very proud to tell you is a trigraph! We have also added more monster phonics books to the online library so that you can access them at home. If you want any help with this, please speak to one of us. This week the children have all been really kind to one another and have been using their problem-solving skills to resolve problems independently, turn taking and sharing well. They were inspired by the big model castle we saw at the museum so they have enjoyed playing with castle models, making shields and being archaeologists exploring the treasures hidden in a sand tray like we did at the museum. The children have been thinking about all the things that their mums do to help them and have been telling us lots of lovely things. We hope you all have a lovely weekend.</p>
<b>Hornbeam</b>	<p>This week has been a very busy/productive week in Hornbeam. After much excitement of the previous weeks, we were finally able to design, build and evaluate our own marble runs.</p> <p>We spent Tuesday afternoon drawing and designing our marble runs with a specific criterion in mind. On Wednesday we built them, applying the skills and techniques we have refined over previous lessons. Finally, on Thursday, we were able to test them, and, after a few adjustments, they were all successful. We spent some time then looking at each of them, discussing what had gone well and what we would like to improve next time.</p> <p>In other areas of the curriculum, we have continued looking at measurements in maths, this week moving away from cubes and using a ruler to measure using centimetres. We measured a variety of different objects from within our classroom. In science we were testing properties of materials, investigating whether materials were opaque or transparent by shining a light through them.</p>
<b>Beech</b>	<p>Beech class have been enjoying the sunshine this week. We played football during P.E on the field, showing excellent passing and dribbling skills. In science, we made some careful observations of our caterpillars. They have now formed their chrysalis. In computing we created some Pop artwork with our partner. In English, we wrote some sentences including a range of conjunctions and we also started our poetry unit of work. This week we finished our Geography topic about oceans and continents, and we did a quiz to see how much we had learnt.</p>
<b>Ash</b>	<p>We are so proud of our Year 3 and 4 performers this week and hope everyone enjoyed their performance of Hoodwinked. Apart from being on stage 3 times this week, Ash Class have started a maths unit on measurement in metres, centimetres and millimetres and will move on next week to convert the measurements. If they can practice measuring items around home this weekend, that would be really helpful. And in Science, they have investigated magnetic forces; looking at how they attract and repel North and South poles and what materials are magnetic. Hopefully, they can spot some magnets around home and tell you about their use.</p>
<b>Rowan</b>	<p>What a fabulous few days of performances! The children all did incredibly well and we are very proud of each and every one of them. The acting and singing was excellent and most importantly, they all looked like they were having a fantastic time performing. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we all did.</p> <p>We have been outdoors this week learning the points of the compass and how to identify North, South, East and West by the sun. We used this learning to locate countries of Europe by using the compass points and an atlas.</p>

	We have also visited the pond in Tidmore Land and Deans Wood to find out more about the habitats in the local area.
<b>Maple</b>	Another week, another long list of new learning and completed tasks! This week we've managed to squeeze in some Reading, Writing and Maths assessments in alongside the rest of our learning. In English we've been looking at one of Maple Class's traditional tales, The Frog Prince. We were surprised to learn there is no kissing of frogs in the original tale by the Brothers Grimm. Instead there seems to be quite a lot of frogs being thrown around and both princes and princesses acting rather oddly! In Maths we've been reminding ourselves about the process of division and how we can use it to solve multipart problems. In Art we've been drawing faces, thinking about the shape of our heads, the shape of an eye and even how noses seem to connect into our brows! We wrapped up the week by using our sewing skills to polish off our flags. We've spent some time thinking about how successful we've been and any changes we'd make in the future.
<b>Willow</b>	This week we have enjoyed watching the Yr 3/4 play, which was absolutely fantastic, and completed our assessments for the end of term. We have been joined by Mrs Hood-Cree on Thursday and Fridays as she has taken over from Mrs Ward as our HLTA. As she was already working with us on Wednesdays, this was an easy transition. As the weather has improved and the field isn't as muddy, we have also returned to completing our daily mile so please make sure that PE kits remain in school all week. Next week we will complete our topic of Restless Earth and therefore will be sending home the project work completed. As some of this is quite large, please make sure your child has a bag large enough to bring this home in. Diary date: Wednesday 23rd April = Residential meeting 5.30pm in Willow Class. We will go through final arrangements for the trip.



### Important dates

Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	After School Cake sale (R & Yr1)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	FOWPS committee meeting 7:30pm – all welcome
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	End of term, 1pm finish

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Globefit Holiday Club being held at WPS, booking system open
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception 2025 Offers sent by Oxfordshire County Council
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	1 <sup>st</sup> day of Summer Term
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Residential Meeting – 5:30pm in Willow classroom
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Early May Bank Holiday, School closed
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Years 2 & 4 Cake Sale
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 6 Residential
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	May Half Term, School closed
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	FOWPS Community Coffee Shop @ The Old School House
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 3, 5 & 6 Cake Sale
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term, 1pm finish
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET day
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET day
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Children return/start the Autumn Term

### **FOWPS Update**

Thank you to everyone who helped volunteer, bake, eat cake or bought uniform last weekend. You helped to raise £250. Our next community coffee shop is on Saturday 28 June - save the date.

In order for your Parent Teacher Association to continue to provide social events and essential funding we need you! We welcome anyone who wants to find out more about contributing to the school community. Being a part of FOWPS is rewarding and fun. Come and find out for yourself - and attend our committee meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 3 April.

Other/Community News:



**Stoke Row Tennis Club**

# *Easter* **JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP**

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