



Friday 27th June

Changes in year 2 next year

Sadly, in July we will be saying farewell to Miss Hawker who teaches in year 2 on a Thursday and Friday. Miss Hawker has been with us for 16 months and has been a real asset to the team. She is leaving to take a full-time post in an IT company who run both lessons and IT-based after school clubs. Who knows, maybe she will come back and run one here for us in the future! We will miss her but wish her the very best of luck with her new adventure and hope she will keep in touch. We are in the process of interviewing for the position and will let you know the news very shortly.

Sports Day

What a wonderful day we had on Tuesday. The weather seemed to be so changeable in the 24 hours before. We weren't sure it was going to go ahead then that morning, after a little rain, all was bright and beautiful! We would like to thank Langtree for the use of their field for KS2. Thank you to all parents who joined us for the KS2 track events and also the KS1 events. The children had a wonderful time. We were very proud of them all. Well done to the 'mums and dads' who stepped forward and ran the parents' races. We were very impressed and the children loved seeing you take part.



Cricket, Tennis and Football Club next week

Monday and Tuesday are currently predicted to be very hot. We will provide indoor activities for the children in these clubs unless the weather changes and is cooler.

Hot weather

During this very hot weather please can we remind you to send your child to school with a named water bottle and sun hat. Sun cream must be applied at home. Thank you.

Travelling Book Fair

Thank you to everyone that supported the Book Fair, you all helped raise £213.68 to spend on books for the school.

From Last weeks newsletter

Lunchtime Supervisor

We have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor and would like to ask if you, or anyone you know, would like to join the team in looking after the children at lunchtimes? Maybe you would like to be able to help out occasionally, please can you let us know so that we can add you to our bank staff. Please contact the office for more details.

Class Updates

Oak	<p>We have been so proud of all the children this week. They were all a little unsure about what sports day would entail but rose to the challenge brilliantly. We were so proud of how well they all did, joining in enthusiastically with everything. Huge thanks to everyone who came to support the children. Seeing all the friendly faces meant the world to them! The children also went on a visit to year one on Thursday whilst the new reception children were visiting. They had a brilliant time being shown what to do by the current year ones and got to explore the classroom and try lots of fun activities. They all really enjoyed it and listened beautifully to the adults in year one. This was a good practice for next Tuesday when they will spend a whole day in year one. We have also been busy doing lots of reading and continuing to practice our writing skills. The caterpillars we have been watching grow have now all turned into chrysalises so we are waiting with excitement for the butterflies to emerge. We have been practising saying 'metamorphosis'!</p> <p>We hope you all have a lovely weekend.</p>
Hornbeam	<p>This week has been a busy week in Year 1 with lots of different events happening. We started our final writing topic of the year, focussing on the traditional tale, Three Billy Goats Gruff. The children have explored the characters and even taken part in some drama, acting the story out. On Tuesday it was sports day, we were so proud of the children, they all tried their best and encouraged each other, despite representing different houses. Latterly in the week, we were joined for the morning by Oak class. Our children were excellent role models, showing oak how to behave and what activities they could do when they join Hornbeam in September.</p>
Beech	<p>In English this week, we used drama to help us write some speech for the characters in the Three Little Pigs. In science, we started planning our houses to make for the three little pigs. Please remember to bring in any card and cardboard boxes. In maths, we have been practicing our 3x table and have continued our unit on turns and directions. Year 2 had a great day at sports day this week. We are so proud of all the children for taking part and trying their best. In History the children have learnt about monarchs from the past and the decision they made, which led to us thinking about laws we might create if we were leading the country! This caused a big debate about taxes and education! We had a circle time session this week to talk about worries and questions we have about the end of year 2.</p>

Ash	<p>This week in Ash, we have been re-enacting a scene from our English Class Book, 'Blue John', with children exploring a cavern. In Art, with thanks to Mrs Hood-Cree, we created our Bronze Age beaker pots in clay using the coil techniques and designs we practised in play-doh last week. The pots are now all dry and we look forward to sending them home for you to see next week. And in Science, we recreated rock formation using crayon wax shavings as our minerals to create our versions of sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous rock. As swimming has now finished, our P.E. lessons will move back to Mondays and Thursday but please can children have kits in school all week as this may change with the hot weather and end of term activities.</p>
Rowan	<p>We really enjoyed Sports Day on Tuesday. For our field events, we took part in hurdle races, sprinting and the egg and spoon race, as well as a long distance run. As part of our field events, we did long jump, triple jump and javelin throwing. Thank you to all the parents who came to support. In maths, we have been learning about time. We have been practising telling the time in analogue and digital format and using the terms am and pm. Please encourage us to practise at home. In history, we learnt about what the Romans left behind, such as roads and aqueducts. We had a go at making our own aqueducts and tested if water could travel along them. We were pleased with the results! Have a lovely weekend.</p>
Maple	<p>This week in Maple class we've been focussing on reading and critical thinking. In our English lessons we've been looking at some different texts, trying to glean information from them and share it in a clear and concise manner. Meanwhile, our maths lessons have seen us attempting some challenging problems that are making us think in different ways. We're getting better at identifying what a problem is asking us to do and then writing proofs to show why we are right. In Topic we explored the effects of WW2 in Oxfordshire (including the little known RAF Woodcote) while in PSHE we spent some time exploring decisions we have to make and how we might assess risk. However, the biggest event of the week was sports day on Tuesday. We had a fantastic time and were really happy to share our races with you all. I put some of your children in charge of taking photos so as soon as I've gone through the 273 they took, we'll share some on the website!</p>
Willow	<p>At the beginning of the year, we were discussing hoodies as a class and the children decided they would like to receive their hoodies as a 'surprise' and not when they were expecting them. Well today, mission accomplished! As they arrived this morning their hoodies were waiting for them on their desks and from the looks on everyone's faces, they were definitely surprised. This week we have spent time getting ready for both our play, our Gladiator event and enjoying Sports Day. We have the stage out to practise our play on now and are busy making props, backdrops, tickets and programmes. Thank you to all those who have sent their costumes in already. We have also created our gladiator names and designed our own t-shirts, we then took these to Fitzwaryn and shared them (plus our poses) with them. A huge thank you to Rory and Eadie for researching where we could go for our treat day at the end of term- the final vote went to Cotswold Wildlife Park so we are currently in the process of organising this. A sign-up sheet will go on the classroom door for the buffet during the Bingo evening - please speak to your child about this and then pop into school to sign-up, email the office or ask your child to write on the sheet. A reminder for Transition Day - wear your normal school uniform, take a full pencil case, PE kit and some money for the canteen. We'll look forward to hearing all about your days when you return.</p>
Lunchtime news	<p>We have had an exciting week with children practising running & jumping for sports day and it was lovely to meet some of the parents on the day itself. With temperatures rising we remind children of the importance of wearing hats &</p>

	sunscreen and drinking plenty of water. Next week could be over 34 degrees and children will be advised to spend time in the shade so as not to overheat. Enjoy the lovely weather & stay safe!
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Important dates

Saturday 28 th June	FOWPS Community Coffee Shop @ The Old School House
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 5 & 6 play doors open @ 17:45 for 18:00 start
Thursday 10 th July	Year 5 & 6 play doors open @ 17:45 for 18:00 start, followed by Bingo evening for year 6 & parents
Friday 11 th July	Years 3, 5 & 6 Cake Sale
Tuesday 15 th July	Whole school trip to Winchester Science Centre
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Leavers' assembly 9:30am
Friday 18 th July	End of term, 1pm finish
Monday 21 st July	INSET day
Tuesday 22 nd July	INSET day
Wednesday 3 rd September	Children return/start the Autumn Term

FOWPS Update

Don't forget to purchase raffle tickets using the link below. There are some amazing prizes.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowps-events/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=99853>