



NEWSLETTER



Friday 25th September 2020

Dear All,

It has been another busy week in school and things are settling down into the 'new normal'. Sadly, the glorious weather we had been having seems to have come to an end. Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat and wellies in school as it is really important that they can escape the classroom and enjoy the outdoors – even if it's raining.

Thank you to everyone who completed our parent survey on home learning, it has been really interesting to find out which resources helped the most and how we can improve our offer if we are forced to lockdown again. We are busy writing out remote learning plan and will share this with you soon. Hopefully it will be something we never need to use.

Finally, thank you for all your kind words of support over the first few weeks of term. It has been really lovely to hear of happy children and that the information we have provided has been useful to you and your families.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and dodge the raindrops!

Mrs L Watts, Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare: At Little Brown Hare the children have been listening to the story 'We're going on a bear hunt'. We have been acting out the story as we have explored the site and have drawn our own bear hunt maps. Many children have shown an interest in playing with the toy tools so we introduced some real tools to make a giant rain maker. As part of us getting to know the children we talk about our families, the children often play family role play and even the dinosaurs have brothers and sisters.

Blackbirds: Blackbirds' Class have welcomed three new members to the class this week - 3 Giant African Land snails called Gary, Gary and Gary! The children have been fascinated watching them and finding out more about them. We have also been working very hard at gymnastics in PE. Reception children have been superstars learning to read and write their first letters this week and year ones have been very determined with their writing of sentences and sounding out of words.

Wagtails: We've been looking at what soil is made from and the different processes it goes through all the time under our feet. We have found that compost is very high in nutrients. We used this knowledge to make sure our class tomato plants had the best soil possible to help them grow big and healthy. We have also been making La Tomatina inspired prints in our art sessions.

Skylarks: Skylarks have been intrigued by the idea of 'sculpture'! We have considered what it means to them and others and are looking forward to meeting a real live sculptor next week to learn all about this media. They have been learning how to write formal letters to our visiting artist are excited to receive their replies soon! Please remember to come in old clothes and bring a trowel in on Monday 28th September.

Housepoints so far this term...

Willow

144

Elm

174

Oak

130

Ash

95



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RSHE Next week we will be putting more information on the website around RHSE. We would really appreciate it if you could have a look and complete the parent questionnaire for us.

Think of the week

Would you rather be as tall as a house or as small as a mouse?! Why?

Reminders from the office

Monday 28th September – Skylarks visit from artist Jess Perry. Please email the office to give permission and don't forget to pay by BACS

Tuesday 17th November – Flu immunisations in school. Please give/refuse consent using the code recently sent out, or scan the QR code on the poster at the gate.

We would ask that children don't bring in toys to school at the moment so that we avoid spreading germs. Thank you!

