





Friday 13th January 2023

Dear All,

This week all of the children have been beginning to delve into their "Discovery" topics for the term and exploring some of their concepts. Each week we have a celebration assembly where children are able to share their learning with the rest of the school and I am very much looking forward to hearing all about the Vikings, Explorers and significant people in history over the coming term!

Don't forget Birch Class had their final swimming session for this term last week. It will now be Oak Class swimming on Monday afternoons.

Best Wishes Mrs Sacre – Executive Headteacher

This week in class....

Pre-School – Preschool have been very active since returning from the Christmas break. We have chatted to our friends about new toys, welcomed a new family and been finding the correct number of bricks to match the number on a card. We have also continued to practice listening out for sounds and have been playing What's in the Box - we have been able to hear things like d.o.g and p.i.g etc.

Acorn – Acorn class have begun their Explorers topic by learning about how things change over time. The children thought about their own families and made a timeline showing the different ages within a family. We have been discovering what people might have done to be significant through time from Emmeline Pankhurst to Greta Thunberg. The children have been fascinated by a book in the classroom of famous people over time. The Explorer's Base Camp role play area has been extremely popular this week and if you have any items at home you could donate as props, such as binoculars or snow goggles - that would be fantastic!

Oak Class have had a busy start back to the new school term, diving straight into our science topic on light and dark. We have had fun learning about darkness in the feely bag experiment and understand that darkness is the absence of light and that without light, we cannot see. We have also been learning about sources of light and which objects reflect the light. Our trickiest mirror experiment was in using a mirror to help us follow a wiggly line on the floor. In maths, we have started to use the column method to solve subtraction problems and have taken a first look at our four times table. We are excited about what we will learn in our Vikings topic and have begun by using Atlases to locate where the Vikings travelled from and where they settled. We have also learned about Viking longships and are looking forward to designing and building our own. Music lessons for Oak Class will be on in school Fridays and will be taught by Miss Dinn. The music service have re-scheduled specialist lessons for the summer term.

Birch – Birch Class have been brilliant this week, showing real determination in our learning about column multiplication! It was not easy to go from one method to another but with practice we are getting there. To start our discovery topic, we have been looking at changes during the 20th century. We have learnt how film and television has developed, how football changed and how it became such a popular sport in the UK. Next week we are continuing to look at how other leisure and sporting activities have changed over time. The class are looking forward to Mr Bishop's return, when they will be exploring their new concept of passion.







Forest School News - Last week oak class had a super time in the woods. We played some fun listening games and a few intense games of kubb! We also enjoyed cooking apples on sticks over a hot giant fire which some of the children helped to light! Brilliant team work guys!

As the weather gets colder, please send children with spare layers for forest school which they can put on if needed, so that they can gain the maximum enjoyment from this session.



Paediatric First Aid Course

One of our parents is currently organising a paediatric first aid course which will take place at Trimingham Village Hall in March over a weekend with the date tbc. The course will be run by Orbital Safety Training and is a great opportunity to learn all things First Aid!

The session has a limited number of spaces available and is for anyone wishing to learn some lifesaving skills which can be applied to children and young people.

If this is something that interests you or you would like more information then please feel free to contact Jo at jobellfreelance@gmail.com or email the school office.

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Dates for your Diary –

Monday 16th January – Oak Class Swimming & Acorn PE
Thursday 19th January – Census Day
Friday 20th January – Birch Class PE & Oak Class Forest School

Monday 23rd January - Oak Class Swimming & Acorn PE
Tuesday 24th January - Birch Class Gymnastics
Friday 27th January - Oak Class PE & Birch Class Forest School

Monday 30th January - Oak Class Swimming & Acorn PE
Tuesday 31st January - Acorn Gymnastics
Friday 3rd February - Birch Class PE & Oak Class Forest School

Monday 6th February - Oak Class Swimming & Acorn PE
Tuesday 7th February - Oak Gymnastics & Acorn Forest School
Friday 10th February - Oak Class PE & Birch Class Forest School
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