

WILLIAM MORRIS NEWS

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WOW - AMAZING! BEST SATS RESULTS IN WILLIAM MORRIS HISTORY!

Some big congratulations to Mrs Martin and her year 6s. We saw a sharp rise in results last year and we have seen it again. The school now celebrates being one of the highest in GLF Trust and Oxfordshire as well as achieving the highest results in William Morris history. The Year 6s have worked incredibly hard this year with a focus we have not seen before; helped of course by daily outstanding teaching from Mrs Martin. I am so very proud of all of the children whatever their result, as I know they will continue to go from strength to strength as they begin the next phase of their academic career.



Darwin: In Darwin Class this week, we have continued with our topic of 'The Farm' and ended with a grand finale of a class trip to 'Cotswold Farm Park'. We all had a wonderful day, if a bit hot but saw lots of animals, fed them and even got to handle some rabbits and chicks. The children all behaved beautifully and really did William Morris School proud! The children showed our 'Value of the Month, which is 'Teamwork', by helping each other with their lunch bags and with different events in the day.

Thank you to those parents that helped, we could not have made the trip as successful without you!

This week the children also met their new class teacher, Miss Marriott and had a wonderful morning with her on Tuesday. Please do check your child's book bag for a little booklet that she gave the children, which is all about herself.

Next week, our last week together, we will be thinking about Holidays/ The Beach. Please do remember to send your child to school with a water bottle and named sun tan lotion-let's hope the weather links to our final theme!



Kandinsky: Kandinsky have been working hard perfecting their circus skill act and did a fantastic performance on Wednesday. The children played different percussion rhythms whilst walking wearing their carnival masks in a dance procession. They remembered their poem, Samba School and echoed each other's lines back with actions. Finishing with skipping, hula hooping, juggling and pom pom catching skills. A huge well done Kandinsky! We will be repeating this performance again on Thursday 18th July at 9am. We enjoyed the running races on Thursday and certainly have been displaying the value of team work this week.

Seacole: Seacole class have really impressed me this week with their teamwork. On Wednesday, they wowed the audience with their circus skills and their excellent performance of the Circus Sound Collector. On Thursday, they all took part in the Sport Day races and I was impressed with their resilience and sportsmanship. In English this week, the children have been writing letters to their new teacher, Miss Jull. They had a great moving up day with her on Monday and are all really excited about becoming Year 3s. In Maths, the children have been practicing taking away numbers from 100 and using their number bonds to help them. We are all now looking forward to a fun packed last week in Year 2!

Value of the Month:

Teamwork - a group of people working together to achieve a common aim.

Valentina: This week, Valentina were finally able to show off

everything they have been working on in The Greatest Showman! We really showed our values of determination, resilience, and teamwork as we did our final rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday. Seeing the whole show come together with the acting, dancing, and costumes was absolutely amazing and it brought the whole production to life. Years 5 and 6 were excellent role models for us - we can't wait until we get older and can take the main parts in productions ourselves! The final performance on Wednesday evening was absolutely amazing and the 13 members of Valentina who took part showed us what outstanding William Morris pupils they are. Very well done everyone involved and a huge thank you to Mrs Martin, Ms Price, Mrs B, and Mr Johns for bringing it together.

DaVinci: This week in DaVinci class we have been fully focused on supporting the KS2 production, led by the awesome year 6s. Our years 5s were brilliant in the acting roles they played, they said their lines and played their parts perfectly. The year 4s were wonderful at joining in with the signing and worked really hard to learn the words and the parts they were to sing. Away from the production the children enjoyed a successful sports day with all children taking part in a race, thankfully the weather played ball this time!

Shakespeare: This week was showtime!



The children were incredible. We were very proud of them all - great acting, super singing and amazing acting. Well done William Morris.

ANOTHER HUGE WELL-DONE: It is official; we have received the Values Based Education Quality Mark. An extremely difficult and rigorous achievement which was the result of a lot of hard work and a detailed and forensic audit. Please click on the link below to read our amazing report. Our values are at the very heart of everything we do, we know that if we don't instil values in our young people, then all the maths and reading results in the world won't matter. A big thank-you to all the staff who work tirelessly to maintain a culture of high standards and values and to the parents who support the school and your children in living these values at home.



Sports Day: Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to suport our rescheduled sports day. The children did really well and showed grit, determination and fabulous teamwork – all values of William Morris. Well done everyone!





Roadworks on Bretch Hill: We have been informed by OCC Highways that they will be surfacing Bretch Hill from Monday 15th July for up to three days. You may have seen the notices along the road.

The contactors have been asked to commence work after the school rush. However, as with all these things there may be some disruption. Unfortunately, the dates have been set by contractor availability.

No waiting cones will be in place during the works, and road access will be restricted in the working areas, which will progress along the road as the surfacing sets.

Please do ensure that you avoid parking in areas where no waiting cones are in place.

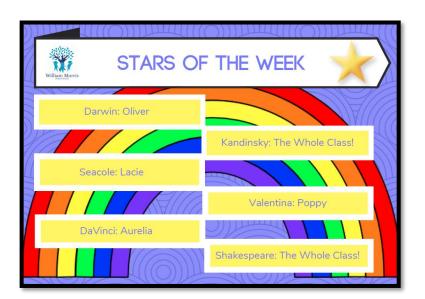
Key Dates for your Diary:

- Monday 15th July, Reports out to parents
- Tuesday 16th July, Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9am.
- Thursday 18th July, Family BBQ. This is one of our must attend events of the year! Please can you make sure you arrive and are in the school hall at 12:30pm for a brief address by the Headteacher before you will be able to go outside for the BBQ. All children who usually have school dinners will be provided with a packed lunch. All children can either bring their own packed lunch, have school packed lunch or you may wish to purchase them a burger from the BBQ.
- Friday 19th July, last day of Summer Term 2 1pm finish

Have a lovely weekend!

Giddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team



The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Get set to blast-off in our FREE reading challenge at your local library...

13th July to 14th September

Oxfordshire children can join the Rocket family in libraries this summer for an epic adventure in space!

Your mission is to track down mischievous aliens, collect stickers and solve clues as you read six library books of your choice. Finish the challenge to get your own medal and certificate!



Look out for fantastic new books and activities at your library and try out the spacechase.org.uk website to add to the fun!

Psst... Adults - Look out for the "Oxfordshire Reads" postcards to enter a prize draw!

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All clubs for this term run from 3:15-4:15pm

No Friday Dance club on 19th July

Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
Choir	Football	Dance Club
Yrs 3-6	£3 per session	£3 per session
Free of charge	Rock Stars Club Yrs 2, 3 and 4 only Free of charge	

Free Trial Piano Tuition

Studies show that time spent at the keyboard improves mental health: people who make music experience less anxiety, loneliness, and depression. Playing piano has also been shown to be a great source of stress relief, and provides ample opportunity to bolster self-esteem. It is also a widely used form of therapy for Attention Deficit Disorder. Not sure if your child will take to it? Why not try a month's tuition FREE of charge?

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