

13th December 2019

Darwin: What a week Darwin have had, they have all been super stars. We have been working hard on our performance, we were very excited to sing for our Mummies, Daddies and Carers. We have been decorating ginger bread men and making Christmas tree paintings using bubble wrap. We have also enjoyed playing with our snow play dough, the children have been making lots of different shapes and there has been a lot of sparkle all over our classroom.



Cartwright: Cartwright have had a very busy week preparing for their Nativity performance. Mrs Smith and Ms Gibbs are exceptionally proud of the children for their hard word.

Therefore, the rest of our week has been preparing for STEAM as we conclude another amazing term. Thank you to everyone who came and supported us this week, having you there makes all the difference.



Kandinsky and Seacole: This week we had the Key Stage 1 Christmas performance. We all worked extremely hard during the weeks leading up to the production, completing their work in lessons as well as rehearsing. It was lovely to see them grow in confidence every time they performed. They all had lots of fun performing to the whole school and to parents. We definitely have lots of stars in the making! Also, a big thank you to everybody who purchased the Star Biscuits in aid of purchasing RWI reading books.

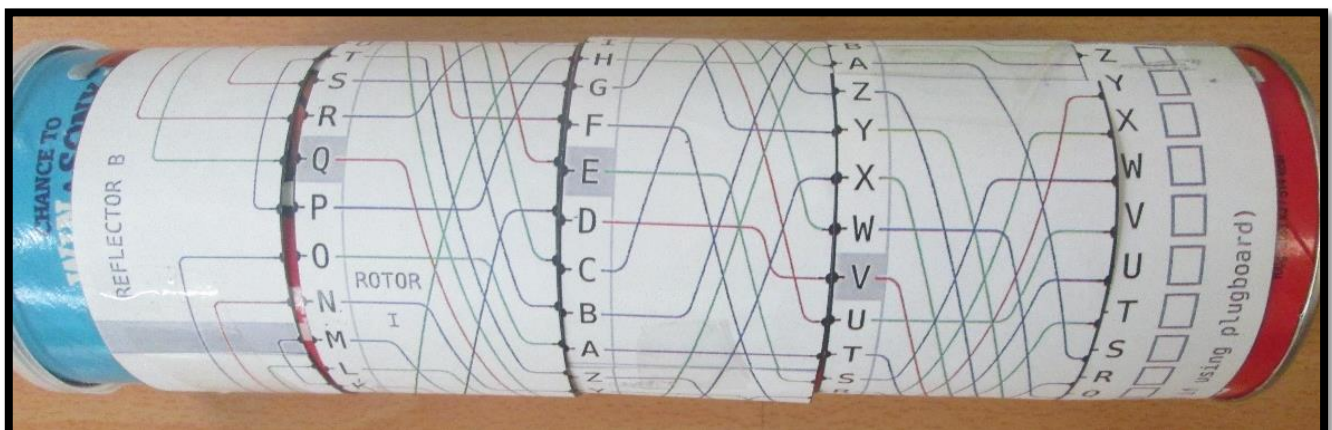


Valentina: Valentina have had a great week, we have been frantically creating our STEAM showcase items. Slowly taking shape is a mock-up of a Roman Villa and an enormous mud hut - just wait until you see it at our STEAM showcase tomorrow! In maths we have been adding two-digit numbers together. In our writing we have been continuing to look at newspaper reports and peer assessing each other's writing. We also wish Miss Jull all the best as she is rather unwell at the moment. We hope to see her back in class next week!

DaVinci: This week in Da Vinci class we have been writing our diary entries from the perspective of Spartacus and we focused on including first person, contractions and time conjunctions in our writing. In maths we have been looking at multiplying and dividing by 11 and 12 and various multiplication facts. We have also been busy learning our Roman song alongside painting and making our Roman chariots ready for our STEAM showcase. Everyone has worked really hard and showed great teamwork during our STEAM sessions this week.



Shakespeare: This week has been codes, codes and even more codes as we prepare for our STEAM showcase on Friday afternoon. We have been using pringles tubes to create a model of the enigma machine and its rotas, using a very complicated process to encode and decode messages. Lots of children have been creating models at home as well: so far, we have had two Anderson shelters, a plane and a model enigma machine! We have also been writing an explanation text all about how to stay safe during an air raid. We have been reading some real documents sent out to members of the public during the war giving them advice on what to do should they hear the warning siren. All the children thoroughly enjoyed watching both the KS2 and EYFS Christmas shows this week - we thought all the children did a fabulous job!



Key Dates for your Diary:

- Thursday 19th December, **1:00pm end of term**
- Monday 6th January, beginning of Spring Term

Christmas Lunches:

16th December – Nursery, Cartwright and Kandinsky

17th December – Seacole and Valentina

18th December – DaVinci

19th December – Shakespeare

Parents are invited to come and eat Christmas dinner with their children. Please note that due to capacity within our school hall we can only admit one parent per child. Thank you for your understanding.

Have a lovely weekend!

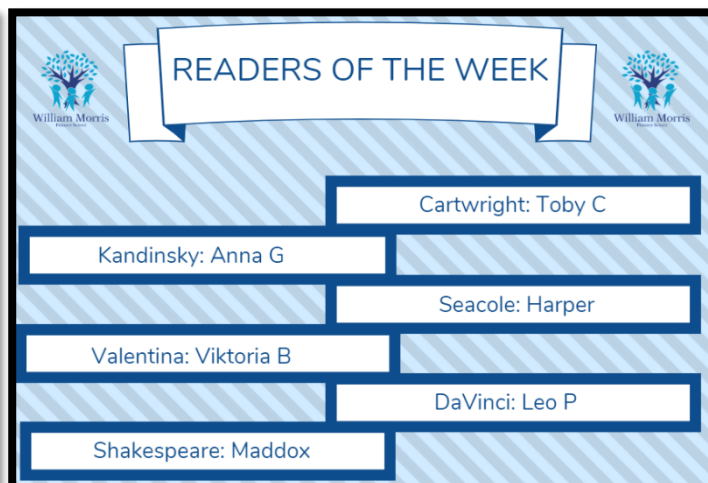
Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team



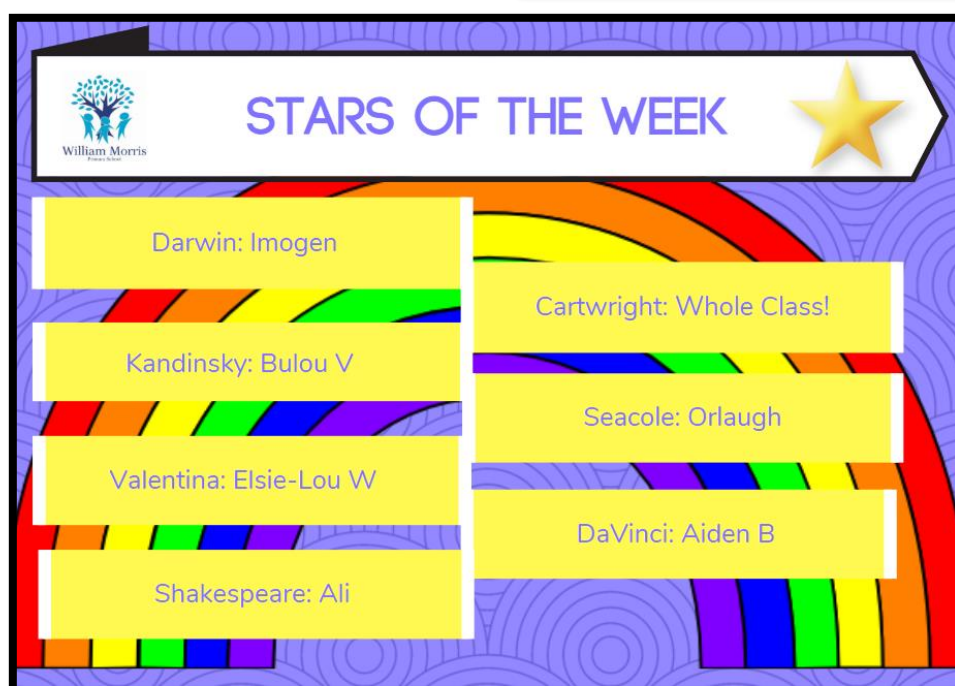
A poster titled "Star Writers" with a yellow background and blue borders. It features the William Morris logo in the top corners. The names of the star writers are listed in white boxes with blue borders, arranged in a grid-like fashion.

Star Writers	
Cartwright: Callan B	
Kandinsky: Krystal	
Seacole: Layla	
Valentina: Maddie M	
DaVinci: Paige E	
Shakespeare: Jasmine	



A poster titled "READERS OF THE WEEK" with a light blue background and blue borders. It features the William Morris logo in the top corners. The names of the readers are listed in white boxes with blue borders, arranged in a grid-like fashion.

READERS OF THE WEEK	
Cartwright: Toby C	
Kandinsky: Anna G	
Seacole: Harper	
Valentina: Viktoria B	
DaVinci: Leo P	
Shakespeare: Maddox	



A poster titled "STARS OF THE WEEK" with a purple background and a rainbow arching across the middle. It features the William Morris logo in the top left corner and a yellow star in the top right corner. The names of the stars are listed in white boxes with yellow borders, arranged in two columns.

STARS OF THE WEEK	
Darwin: Imogen	Cartwright: Whole Class!
Kandinsky: Bulou V	Seacole: Orlaugh
Valentina: Elsie-Lou W	DaVinci: Aiden B
Shakespeare: Ali	

William Morris
Termly Values & Visions Newsletter

2019

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to William Morris' first termly values and visions newsletter. What a fun packed term it has been, with many exciting opportunities for learning both in and out of the classroom! We would like to give a huge thank you to all of the parents, carers and extended family members who have joined us in celebrating the many fantastic achievements of the children, from STEAM events to the wonderful Christmas performances.

FAST Families

In term 3 and 4 we will be joined by Youth Activators from Cherwell District Council on Friday lunchtimes. The Youth Activators will be engaging in a range of sports with the children, promoting and encouraging physical activity as part of a healthy lifestyle. In addition to this, we will be holding an after-school club on Tuesdays for children and their families as part of Cherwell District Council's FAST families Initiative. Check out the FAST families card on the Cherwell District Council website for fantastic discounted admission prices to local facilities including Spiceball Leisure Centre (family swim usually £13—with a FAST card it is only £3!) and Banbury United Football Club.



Values

Our values for this term have been confidence, leadership, responsibility and resilience. Well done to all of the students who have continuously demonstrated these values throughout the term.

Community Safety

This term the year 5's of Shakespeare class took part in an all day PSHE lesson with Miss Evetts & the community safety team including 2 local PCSO's. The children used SCIB resources to support them in identifying 'early warning signs' that they will experience when faced with dangerous situations online and in the community.



Safeguarding

William Morris is proud to be a part of the Safeguarding Children In Banbury board. The board meets regularly to discuss issues which impact children in the local community and develop a curriculum which gives children the skills to be able to keep themselves safe, healthy and happy. Parents can access the 'SCIB' website at <https://scib.info/> where you will find lots of useful advice, information, support and guidance on a range of subjects from behaviour support, mental health and housing support, as well as some informative videos covering local issues such as child exploitation.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have concerns about a child's welfare over the Christmas break, you can report to the multi-agency safeguarding hub online at <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/children-education-and-families/keeping-children-and-young-people-safe/report-child-abuse> or by calling 999 if a child is at immediate risk of harm.



Local Events


The Oxfordshire Family Information Directory is a fantastic, resourceful website which is regularly updated with events and activities within the local community. You can access the website at <https://fisd.oxfordshire.gov.uk/kb5/oxfordshire/directory/results.action?qt=&term=banbury&youthchannel=0&sorttype=distance&sr=10&nh=10>

Attendance

Overall attendance for the school is currently 96% which is in line with our school target! Well done to Valentina class with the best attendance this term at 99%. Who will take the lead next term?

Home School Link Worker

Our Home School Link Worker Megan Evetts is always available to provide families with additional support and signposting to external agencies, local charities and organisations and can be reached by contacting the school office.



From all of us here at William Morris, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy new year!



CLUBS

at William Morris
Primary School

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

Monday	Thursday
Netball (from 16/9) Yrs 3-6 (girls and boys) 3:15-4:00pm	Tag Rugby Club (from 16/9) Yrs 4-6 (girls and boys)
Dance With Miss O'Connor	

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?**

All tuition books and diaries are also supplied free of charge by the service. To obtain an application form, please email MJmusicervices@aol.com