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Learning this week: 14th October 2022

Darwin:

This week in nursery we have been making our very own market stall and have been drawn pictures of all the fruit and vegetables we are selling. The children have been practising their writing skills by writing labels for our market stall. In maths this week we have been looking at objects that are the shortest-longest, we went for a walk in the garden each collecting one sticks, we then ordered them from the shortest-longest.

Stars of the week: - Victoria gaining confidence and speaking to class adults









Cartwright:

We have had quite a sticky week in Cartwright Class! The children have enjoyed listening to our story of the week 'The Giant Jam Sandwich' by John Vernon Lord and worked well as a class to make their very own GIANT jam sandwich. Each child took it in turns to spread the jam and enjoyed eating it too! A task in Literacy was to then sequence pictures in the order that we made the sandwich- they did this really well!

In Maths we have been learning about the language of 'more than' and 'fewer than'. If you have a selection of items this weekend- pencils, toys, sweets etc, share them between two people and see if your child knows who has 'more'.

Well done for another wonderful week children!

Star of the week - Toby for remembering all of the items on our shopping list

Kandinsky:

This week in year 1, the children have been planning their diary entry golden write. They are the witch from the story 'Room on the Broom' and have been writing about their day. They have included the animals they met along the way and the the belongings they lost. In Maths the children have been learning about 2D shapes. They worked with their partners to create a robot using 2D shapes. They have also been learning that numbers can be written as both numerals and words and have used the class number line to help them do this. Today, we had a very exciting STEAM day. The children enjoyed creating tie-dye prints onto fabric.

Star of the Week – Emmie- for sharing her thoughts and ideas with her peers during lesson time

Star Writer - Laura-for using her phonetic knowledge to sound out what she wants to write.

Star Reader – Korvin- for focusing more in phonics and trying hard to read at home.





Seacole:

Seacole Class have had another excellent week! In Maths, we have been exploring why a number is odd or even within numbers 11-19 and 20-99. We have been using Number blocks videos to support our understanding and visual images such as socks to recognise what we mean by a 'pair' of socks or an 'odd' sock'. In English, we have been drafting our diary entry as Little Red Riding Hood. We used our story maps to help spark our creativity and have been using purple pen to edit and improve our work. In STEAM, we have been creating our final product for Paddington Bear's coat. We have created our templates, used this to cut out our fabric and used our sewing skills to join the pieces together. I am so impressed with the determination and resilience during our STEAM lessons this week - well done Year 2!

Star of the Week – Jacob for making the right choices and working hard during Maths and English

Star Writer - Shane for using skills learnt during previous English lessons to draft his diary entry

Star Reader - Jaxson for working really hard in his phonics all week









Chawla:

Chawla Class have had a very busy week. On Monday, we were very fortunate to welcome Miss G, a student teacher, into our class. She will be working with us for the next eight weeks. Throughout the week, we have been completing our Autumn Term assessments. I have been incredibly impressed by the children's determination in these. On Thursday, we added some drama to our learning by acting out freeze frames from the events in the Iron Man. Now that the children are confident in the order of the events, they will use this knowledge to write their diary entry recounting these. Within our STEAM lessons, we have begun to create our final product. This was both exciting and challenging as the children were using several tools such as glue guns and saws. Our products will be completed next week for our showcase at 8:55 on Friday 21st October.

Star of the Week – Abigail, for excellent reasoning and enthusiasm in maths lessons.

Star Writer - Dexter, for extending his sentences using coordinating conjunctions 'and' and 'so'.

Star Reader - Clara, for using intonation with confidence when reading aloud to the class.

Ramanujan:

This week in English, we have been writing non-chronological reports to inform people about the water cycle. In Maths, we are using our knowledge of 4-digit numbers to solve calculations. In STEAM, the children have worked diligently and creatively to test their prototypes and assemble their bird baths. We are so proud of the children's effort and determination. We can't wait for you to see our final projects!

Star of the Week – Idris for his effort in not only his own STEAM project, but for also showing lots of encouragement and support towards his classmates completing their projects.

Star Writer – Ryan for his effort with his informative paragraphs about the water cycle.

Star Reader – Malaikha for her summary of the key events of our book.

Davinci:

This week in Year 5, we have begun investigating money in Maths. We have been introduced to 1p, 10p and £1 coins. We have found out how to present money using decimal notation. In Writing, we have been debating the question: 'Should fireworks be banned?' The children are working towards a Golden Write based on this question. In STEAM, we have begun creating our volcanoes. We built the structure and applied the Modroc. We look forward to painting and testing them next week.

Star of the Week – Layla for always being determined to try her best.

Star Writer - Sapphire for focusing on her letter formation.

Star Reader - Victor for finding a book he is interested in and sharing his ideas about it





Shakespeare:

In English this week Year 6 have completed their speech imagining that they are Goldilocks. The children have come up with some wonderful reasons why Goldilocks may have done what she did. We have used rhetorical questions, subordinate clauses and imperative verbs to convince our audience that she is innocent. In mathematics we have continued to look at 7-digit numbers and have been using mental methods to help us calculate addition and subtraction equations. In STEAM, we have begun to design our final product which we are looking forward to sharing with you at the STEAM Showcase.

Star of the Week - Lacie for her excellent attitude to learning in all areas of the curriculum

Star Writer – Arthur for working so hard on his ideas and presentation

Star Reader - Maya for consistently using evidence from the text to support her answers



Dates for the Diary

- 19th October Garden Raffle Draw
- 19th October Parents' Evening
- 20th October Parents' Evening
- 21st October Break up for Half Term
- 31st October Year 6 Residential Week
- 7th November Year 5 Bikeability Starts
- 8th November Reception 2023 Open Event (3.30pm)

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Winter Coat Scheme

Calling all parents and carers! As we approach the cold winter months, we would like to collect a stock of outgrown winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves and boots which can be gifted to other families. If you have any pre-loved items that you would like to donate, please bring them into school to Miss Evetts on any Monday, Wednesday or Friday. If any families are in need of winter items, please contact Miss Evetts on Class Dojo or email oxhslw@glfschools.org who will be happy to help!



Raffle Tickets!

William Morris will be hosting a Raffle to raise money for school and Homebase and DHL have kindly donated some items for us to give away.

Prizes are:

- 1 Mantara Sofa Dining Set - worth £500



2 Alexandria Corner Sofas – worth £295



Tickets are £2 each and can be purchased on Parent pay.

Please do not send money into school with your child.

Tickets will be entered into a draw and names will be pulled out on Wednesday 19th October 2022. Winners will then be notified and will be able to collect their prize.

Uniform Shop

William Morris will be starting to operate a new, online, 2nd hand uniform shop. A place where parents will be able to view items for sale and purchase them online, with collection from the school office.

Before the shop can go live, we first need to fill up on items to sell. Therefore, we are asking that if parents have any unused or outgrown items laying around at home, they donate them by bringing them into the school office. Donations will be welcome throughout the school year.

Money made from selling 2nd hand uniform will go back into the school, to help provide learning materials for the children.

We hope the shop will be able to go live the first week back after October half term. More information on accessing the shop will be sent nearer the time. Thank you for your help!



Reception 2023 Open Event

There will be an open event on 8th
November 2022 for prospective
Reception and Nursery parents. This
open event will be for parents applying
for school places starting in September
2023. The event will include a tour of
the school and a presentation given by
our Head of School and Early Years
Team.

Have a great weekend and we will see you on Monday!

Kind regards, Ally Johns and the School Team