

9th February 2018

Beech: Year 1 had a successful open classroom! Parents came, they saw their books, and they were impressed with the improvements in the last 3 weeks. They did some activities with the children, writing about Mr Gumpy's characters, making words with the magnetic letters, and having a go making balance with the Numicon with the scale as part of Year 1 maths learning. It was terrific, thank you for coming.

Willow: Year 2 have had an exciting week this week. Parents came in to see some of the spectacular work that Willow have been producing this term. We have been creating and testing out smoothies for English in order to make our own smoothie recipes. We have been conducting observation experiments with our very own sprouting flowers. In Willow, we have also been becoming experts in online safety, and to prove that they can be safe online they have created their own SMART key rings.

Elm: It was lovely to see so many parents at our open afternoon on Wednesday. This week in maths, we have been learning how to convert analogue and digital time. We have finally come to the end of our story and written a newspaper report about what it would have been like to be in Pompeii when Mount Vesuvius erupted!

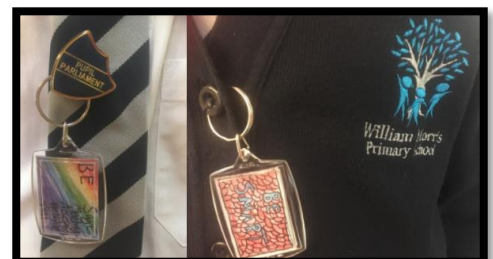


Cherry: The highlight of the week has been Cherry Class' Djembe drumming performance to rest of the school on Tuesday. Cherry class have been practicing all term, and waited with nervous anticipation for the

rest of the school to file in to watch the performance. Mr Griffiths, the drum teacher, explained to the rest the school a little bit about Djembe drumming before the class embarked on a showcase of the things the children have been learning over the last few months. It was superb performance and Mr Griffiths told the class that it was one of the best he had been involved in for many years! Well done Cherry!

Redwood: Redwood class have had an incredible week and have produced excellent work linked to their topic, Frozen Kingdom. They have published short stories, which all include adventurous and interesting vocabulary. We took part in Online Safety Day and made key rings to remind us to be SMART online. The children also made posters to promote internet safety around the school.

We have produced design boards for our tote bags and practiced our sewing skills!!!! All the children were lucky enough to take part in a hockey workshop at Orchard Fields Primary School and demonstrated excellent sporting attitudes.



DREAM ○ **BELIEVE** ○ **ACHIEVE**

Important: Tuesday 27th February 5:30pm. Year 2 SATS meeting. It is essential that all year 2 parents attend to find out all about assessments and what it means for the children. There will be a Creche available for 4yrs and up.

World Book Day: Thursday 1st March! Get dressed up as your favourite characters for World Book Day! WBD is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and, most importantly, of reading. Each child will receive a book token they can then use to choose one of TEN (exclusive, new and completely free) books. Or, if they'd rather, they can use it to get £1 off any book or audio book costing over £2.99 at a participating bookshop or book club (terms and conditions apply).

Key Dates for your Diary:

- Monday 12th–Friday 16th February – HALF-TERM
- Monday 19th February – Parents Evening (sign up sheets outside your child’s classroom)
- Thursday 22nd February – Parents Evening (sign up sheets outside your child’s classroom)
- Monday 26th February – Year 1 Curriculum update meeting – 6:00pm in the hall
- Tuesday 27th February – Year 2 SATs meeting – 5:30pm in the hall
- Wednesday 28th February – Beech Class Trip to Oxford Museum
- Wednesday 28th February, 9:30am – Beech Parents Coffee Morning (presentation and chat)
- Thursday 1st March – World Book Day, dress up as your favourite fictional character
- Tuesday 6th March-Tuesday 13th March – Book Fayre

Have a fantastic half-term

Julie Hiddleston and the school team

House winner this week is:
Invictus

WRITERS OF THE WEEK

- Beech: Nevaeh Evans
- Willow: Lucy Whiffen
- Elm: David Pilch
- Cherry: Aiden Evetts
- Redwood: Lucas Young

STARS OF THE WEEK

- Beech: Olivia Castle
- Willow: Oliver Reason
- Elm: Severyn Zakrzewski
- Cherry: Finley Boyles
- Redwood: Rosabella Parsons



CLUBS

at William Morris
Primary School

All clubs run from 3:15-4:15pm

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Football - £3 (all years)	Sway Dance Club - £3 (all years) led by Ms Whitehead		Youth Club - £1 (Cherry and Redwood) led by Ms Rees
Ninja Number club Open to existing members initially (waiting list in operation) led by a Ninja Volunteer			

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 opportunities 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

Thursday 22nd February:

Free Trial RugbyTots – 3-7 years only

Rugbytots is a specific play programme for young children. It uses the multiple skills of rugby to create a fun and enjoyable environment whilst developing basic core motor skills. Each session aims to develop hand-eye co-ordination, balance and agility as well as enhancing social and psychological attributes through a series of games and exercises. Cost £3.00 per session.

Please book with school office ASAP to avoid disappointment