

WILLIAM MORRIS NEWS

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Beech: Reception has had great fun learning inside and outside the classroom! We have been exploring our learning environment outside, playing in the mud kitchen, looking for bugs and lots of football and running around! We have been reading the book 'How to wash a Mammoth' in the classroom, to continue our Stone Age focus learning, and have been making caves out of playdough. We have also been learning about odd and even numbers, and doubling and halving numbers. Year 1 have been learning about being independent and responsible. In literacy, we have been writing letters to parents telling them about how it is to be on the stars, they are improving every day! We have also been learning about ½ and ¼ in maths.

Willow: This week in Willow class, we have been looking at descriptive terminology for storms at sea. The children used many instruments to compose their own storm stories. In maths, we have been looking at various scales, so that we can read different volumes of liquid in different containers. Finally, in art this week we have painted our penguin sculptures (inspired by Oliver Jeffers).



Elm: In Elm we have been using our fractions knowledge to calculate questions such as which amount of money is

greater 2/3 of £33 or 3/4 of £42 and proving our answers using bar and cherry models with related division and multiplication facts. We have written poetry book reviews about Roald Dahl's Revolting rhymes and enjoyed performing our own poems to each other.

Cherry: Cherry class have had an exciting week learning more about the Ancient Egyptians. We looked at artistic representations of what life was like during this period of history, working out what we could learn from the clues in the pictures – just like real historians. We have also looked at Egyptian writing called Hieroglyphics. The children were able to create their own names using the same pictorial representations the Ancient Egyptian used all those thousands of years ago!

Redwood: Redwood have been working on A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare since World Book Day, and have created an outstanding display in our classroom. The children have been

revising fractions, ordering them, comparing them, adding and subtracting



them. We have created a fantastic working wall that supports our learning during lesson time. We have been debating footballers' wages (very controversial) and writing letters to the Football Association persuading them to cap players' salaries. The children are looking forward to another session sewing and stitching their bags. We would like to plan a fashion show to display our finished products!!

Book Fair: Over the last few days, we have had a book fair – as part of World Book Day and we were delighted with the turnout by children and parents. This is the first book fayre since we have been a part of GLF and really look forward to the next one.

Anti-bullying Performance: A big thank you to the staff and students

from Tudor Hall who came and performed a play about anti-bullying, then afterwards provided a

drama workshop for Key stage 2. It gave the children plenty to think about and realise how all actions have a consequence – both positive and negative!



Easter Eggstravaganza: FoWMS have organised an amazing event for Easter. It will be on Friday 23rd March from 3:15pm. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt, Tombola, Raffle and refreshments. There will also be an Easter Bonnet competition. Letters to follow on Monday.

Key Dates for your Diary:

Monday 19th March – Y1 and Reception parent meetings, see class for appointment sheets Tuesday 20th March – Y1 and Reception parent meetings, see class for appointment sheets Wednesday 21st March, 3:30pm – Year 6 SATs drop in, with Mrs Martin

Friday 23rd March, from 3:15pm – Easter Eggstravaganza!

Tuesday 27th March, 2:00-3:30pm – Year 1 phonics drop in, with Ms Munoz and Ms Price

Thursday 29th March – last day of term, finish at 1:30pm *Friday 30th March-Friday 13th April – EASTER BREAK* Monday 16th April, return to school Friday 29th June – INSET day, no children in school

Have a fantastic weekend

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team









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

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Sway Dance Club - £3 (all years) led by Ms Whitehead		Youth Club - £1 (Cherry and Redwood) led by Ms Rees
		Rugby Tots
		For ages 3-7
		£3.00 per session
	Sway Dance Club - £3 (all years)	Sway Dance Club - £3 (all years)

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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