

20th April 2018

Beech: Beech foundation class have had a great return to school after the Easter break. We are learning about 'wonderful woodlands' and heard the story of Winnie the Pooh. He loves honey so much we decided to make honey and banana sandwiches!

The sunshine is out, so we have been doing lots of outdoor learning, looking at our plants growing and playing in the sandpit. With the hot weather, please make sure the children have sun lotion, a water bottle and hat! Thank you.



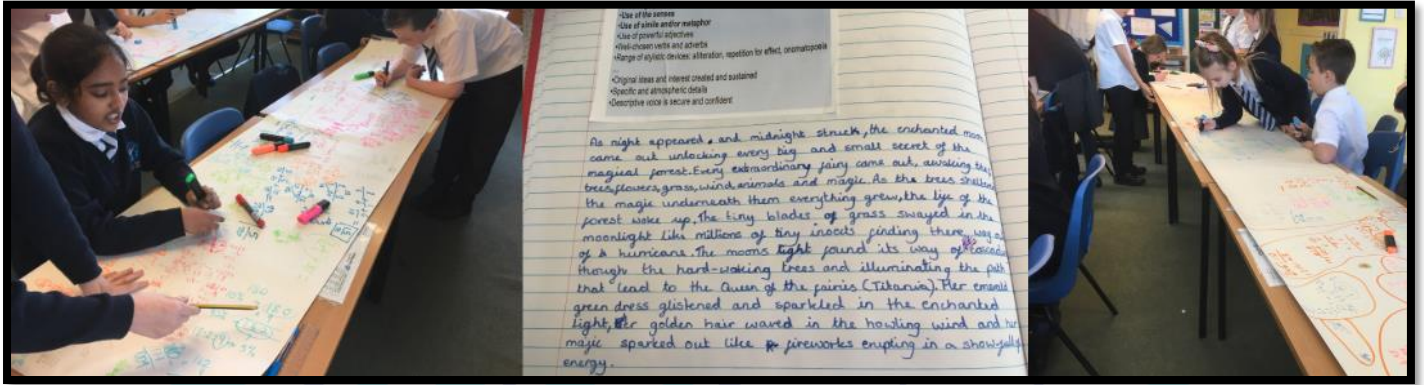
Willow: Willow class have had a lovely week learning about our new topic, pirates. We have written our own rhyming letters in the role of a young pirate and have published them on old scroll paper (paper that we stained with tea bags to give it a fun effect). In maths, we have been learning how to read and interpret graphs and tally charts and we have been conducting our own surveys around the class. In science, we are continuing to learn about different animals and how they have adapted to suit their habitats.

Elm: Elm have settled well back into our newly refurbished carpeted and painted classroom! Our new topic is Extreme Weather and we have been researching about hurricanes and creating fact files about them. We have been developing our prediction skills about what is going to happen in our new text by discussing the picture clues from the book cover. In Maths, we are using thermometers to measure the weather since the arrival of the heat wave! We have improved our mathematical fluency skills using column addition to calculate the addition of three digit numbers.

Cherry: It has been a lovely start to the Summer Term in Cherry Class- the weather helps! In English, we have been exploring our new book for the term: 'Time Travelling with a Hamster'. It is a strange name for a book, but we are finding it really interesting. We spent a long time this week discussing and predicting what the first page meant. It opened with the sentence, 'My dad died twice. Once when he was 39 and again four years later when he was 12'. Such a strange introduction is promising to have us gripped for weeks! This book links well with our topic this term, which is focusing on the development between 1950 and the present day, so we will be doing a lot of travelling back and forward through time looking at notable events.

DREAM ● BELIEVE ● ACHIEVE

Redwood: Redwood class have started Term 5 with energy and positivity. They are showing us that they really mean business this term. We have started revision sessions for the SATs tests and have been working on some fantastic descriptive writing about A Midsummer Night's Dream. The children have been researching the life and achievements of William Shakespeare and have been exploring electronically and sketching The Globe Theatre in Stratford. Some of the children have received their completed bags from Mrs B and we are proudly displaying them on our very own washing line!! Amazing effort from all the children.



Oxford United: Two members of the Oxford United Ladies Football team are working with some groups of our children every week. They will complete a number of maths related games with the children. The aim of the group is to increase children's self-confidence through working alongside inspiring and successful members of our community. We are very excited about this partnership!



Safety in the sunshine – please note that in the hot weather it is essential that children wear sunhats and suntan lotion. Suntan lotion can be applied at home before school and named bottles are allowed to be kept in school for children to apply themselves. If your child is in Years N, R or 1 and you would like us to apply sun-cream then please ensure that you fill in a form with your child's teacher. Please note that parents must supply the suntan lotion as we are not allowed to use other children's. Children will be encouraged to drink water throughout the day and it is requested that they bring in a named, reusable water bottle every day.

Morning Routine: A reminder that our school day starts promptly at 8:40am. There is a five-minute opportunity for children and parents to line up and talk to the teachers before the day starts. **Gates open at 8:35am, classrooms open at 8:40am.**

Key Dates for your Diary:

Friday 29th June – INSET day, no children in school

Saturday 30th June – Summer Fete (details to follow).

Have a fantastic weekend!

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team



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CLUBS

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

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| Football - £3 (all years) | Sway Dance Club - £3 (all years) led by Ms Whitehead | | Rugby Tots For ages 3-7 £3.00 per session |

Cricket COMING SOON

Training from an English Cricket Board representative. Details to follow soon.

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 MJmusicservices@aol.com

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