

11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

**Beech:** We have had a very busy week this week, learning about the story of Hansel and Gretel. We have been writing and doing a lot of role-play, making trains and train tickets! The children have been singing songs and even made a band!

Next week we are going to be celebrating the Royal Wedding, if you have any pictures that the children could bring in from home (showing family celebrations), that would be brilliant! Make sure you have names on the back of them!

Year 1s have been working so hard this week! They have really enjoyed making mini storybooks about cute woodland animals. Their handwriting is improving daily and have been getting really creative with their ideas. We also did some role-play with our fox masks! In maths, we have been working on place value, making tens and ones with straws.



**Willow:** Willow class have had a very busy week. The children have worked extremely hard on reading test papers. We have been revising addition and subtraction word problems and have been trying to solve maths mazes. In Art, we have been creating our own little pirate ships complete with swashbuckling crew!

**Elm:** In Maths, we have been calculating the perimeters of regular and irregular shapes using scaling. In Literacy, we have been working on our adventure stories using adjectives and similes to create a visual picture for the reader. We are learning how to play Danish Rounders on Monday with Mr Pemble. We are looking forward to our trip to the Natural History Museum on the 5<sup>th</sup> June as part of our Science topic about fossils.



**Cherry:** Cherry class went on another exciting trip at the end of last week. We went to Oxford Brookes University. It was a day designed to inspire children and help them

think about their futures. It was a great day filled with a variety of activities. To begin with, the children were split into teams and worked together to answer quiz questions. They were also introduced to some of the key differences between university and school. After lunch, students currently at Oxford Brookes gave the groups a guided tour of the university, showing the children some of its fantastic facilities. To round off the day the children took part in a graduation ceremony. They were presented with a time capsule; they filled it with a paper on which they had written down some of their ambitions for their future. The children were challenged to keep it safe and open it when they are much older.

**Redwood:** Redwood class have been revising key topics for their SAT tests next week. The whole class are focused and working really hard - we are very proud of how the children have approached the tests in such a calm and mature manner. The children have planned their food and drink for SATs breakfast club running Monday to Thursday next week. We had a fantastic lesson with Mr Wright where the children were working on the laptops to create algorithms using the Scratch programme. Cycling proficiency is going very well and the second group are well on their way to completing the course. **Remember Year 6: Be the best you can be.**



**Non-uniform day:** To celebrate the marriage of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, we are having a non-uniform day next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. It's optional Prince and Princess theme, so you're welcome to dress up or normal clothes if you prefer - £1 donation to the PTFA.

**Summer Fayre:** Our biggest event in the school calendar is fast approaching! We do rely on lots of donations from parents and extended family, so we welcome any contributions you may have for the tombola stall, school raffle (especially if you know/work in large organisations who may be willing to donate) and a 'new to you' sale.

**Uniforms:** This is an important reminder to all parents that the full school uniform is compulsory. Please ensure that your children wear a tie to school every day (unless in a summer dress) and that they have black school shoes/trainers. Hoodies are not permitted.

### Key Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 17th May – Census Day: Burger Day for School Dinner  
 Friday 18th May – Royal Wedding non-uniform day - £1 donation  
 Friday 18th May – 7:00-8:30pm: Family Pub Quiz @ William Morris  
 21st-25th May – National Walk to School Week  
 Thursday 14th June – 5:30-6:30pm: STEAM Launch for Parents  
 Friday 29th June – INSET day, no children in school  
 Saturday 30th June – 11:00am-2:00pm: Summer Fayre  
 Thursday 12th July – ALL DAY: Year 6 Take Over Day  
 Tuesday 17th July – 1:30-2:30pm: School Production – Dress Rehearsal  
 Wednesday 18th July – 1:30-2:30pm/6:00-7:30pm: School Production  
 Friday 20th July – 9:30-10:30am: Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Have a fantastic weekend!

*Hiddleston*

Julie Hiddleston and the school team

WRITERS OF THE WEEK	
Beech: Maya Foster	
	Willow: Lucy Whiffin
Elm: Rhys Heritage	
	Cherry: Finlay Boyles
Redwood: Eryn King	

House winner this week is:  
**Big Ben**

STARS OF THE WEEK	
Beech: Mikayla Weddon	
	Willow: Harley Mountford-Gough
Elm: Severyn Zakrewski	
	Cherry: Osiris Parsons-Willerton
Redwood: Elsie Payne	



# CLUBS

at William Morris  
Primary School

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b>Football</b> - £3 (all years)  <b>Ninja Number Club</b> Resumes on 30 April  (those who attended before)	<b>Sway Dance Club</b> - £3 (all years) led by Ms Whitehead		<b>Rugby Tots</b>  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](mailto:MJmusicservices@aol.com)

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