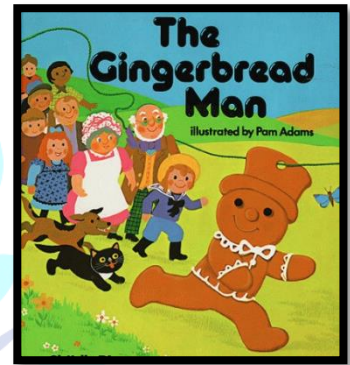


28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Darwin:** In Darwin class this week we have been focusing on the story of The Gingerbread Man. We have made our own zig zag books, sequencing pictures from the story and even baked our own gingerbread men. We also started learning to read and write sounds this week, with the sound we have been learning going home each day in our book bags. In mathematics we have been focusing on the number 2 and learning to count objects and actions in different ways. Thank you for all the wonderful things brought in from home for our Nature Display.



**Kadinsky:** In Kadinsky class we have been Nature Detectives searching for mini beasts and making clay models of what we have found. In Literacy we have been using purple pens to edit our sentences and improving our recounts about our Nature Walk. For our STEAM project we have designed what we would like our reading shelters to look like and used different construction kits to investigate how we can make structures stronger. We have been identifying the number that is one more or less to 20 and using the greater than symbol in our number sentences.



**Seacole:** Seacole class have had a great week writing a known character description for Rapunzel and they are now using their great adjectives to describe the evil Enchantress! In maths they have been busy comparing numbers and proving it using lots of different resources. The children are very excited about our STEAM project and in our science lessons this week we

have been exploring different materials and learning about their different properties. This has helped us select the best recyclable materials for our reading shelter. Seacole class are really looking forward to designing and making their reading shelter from next week!

**Valentina:** Valentina have had some huge challenges this week! We have become much more confident with finding 10 more or less than a number, and we're about to move on to finding 100 more or less. In our Literacy lessons we've learned to find how many syllables there are in a word, and we used this to write haiku poems about polar bears. We've started thinking about the structure and design of our shelter and have narrowed down what we need to 3 key items - 2-litre plastic drinks bottles, 4-pint milk bottles, and tough plastic bags. Please keep bringing these in if you have them at home - we don't need anything else!



**DaVinci:** In DaVinci Class this week the children have been working brilliantly hard on writing their reports all about the discovery of Tutankhamen, we were including some great features such as eye witness quotes and have some lovely headlines. In our topic and art lessons we continued looking at the discovery of Tutankhamen, focusing on the treasure which was found in the tomb, we spent time sketching the death mask and the sarcophagus which enclosed the 'boy king'. In science we started to look at how plants reproduce, identifying which are pollinated by insects and which are by wind. During our maths lessons, we have been looking at rounding to the nearest 10, the children have created

number lines helping us visualise which multiplies of 10 our numbers are closest to.

**Shakespeare:** Shakespeare class have had a very exciting week... we have started to build our shelter. It is looking brilliant and the children have been working as a strong team to get it done. During our English sessions we are continuing to develop our diary writing and explore our class text, Sky Hawk. We have all created stylish silhouette artwork using watercolours and inspired by the osprey in our text. In our topic lessons, we have researched key facts about the Galapagos Islands linked to Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution. The Year 6 children are going on their residential trip next (eek!!) and we wish them luck and lots of sunshine!!

**Applications for Secondary School:** County Council Admissions are now accepting applications from Year 6 pupils due to transfer to Secondary School next September 2019. Letters to parents have recently been posted reminding parents of the need to make an application for their child for Secondary School starting in September 2019. Parents are encouraged to apply on-line as this is the most secure method of making an application. Please note the letter is just a reminder and parents should not wait until they get a letter, as there is nothing in the letter that is needed in order to make an application. Online applications can be made using this link:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/starting-school/secondary-school>

### Key Dates for your Diary:

- Year 6 residential: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October
- FoWMS: Parent Forum, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 8:40-9:10am
- FoWMS: William Morris Pub Quiz (Adult only) 5:30-7:30pm
- Parents evenings: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October (3:15-5:00pm) and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November (4:00-7:00pm)
- Break-Up Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October
- INSET Day – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October
- School Opens – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Have a fantastic weekend!

*Hiddleston*

*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*

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# CLUBS

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All clubs for this term, from now until December run from 3:15-4:15pm

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir Yrs 3-6  Free of charge	Cross Country Running Yrs 2-6 Free of charge  Football £3 per session	Oxford United Football Ladies  Invitation only, date to be advised	Tag Rugby Yrs 2-6 Free of charge  Dance Club £3 per session

## 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 [MJmusicervices@aol.com](mailto:MJmusicervices@aol.com)

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