



12<sup>th</sup> October 2018



*WE HAVE DONE THE IMPOSSIBLE ...*

## WILLIAM MORRIS OFSTED 2018 - OUTSTANDING IN EVERY AREA!

All parents have been given a copy of the summary, please [CLICK HERE](#) to view a copy of the full report.

**Darwin:** This week in Darwin class we have been finding out how we can travel on or under water. Our class books have been *Commotion in the Ocean* and *Rainbow Fish*. Children used the opportunity to write describing words about the *Rainbow Fish*. We even made our own bubble prints to create watery backgrounds. In Circle Time we have been talking about sharing. As part of our Maths we have been focusing on number 4.

**Kadinsky:** In Kandinsky we have been using *deines* and *numicom* to count in tens to 100 and back. Our conker collection is now over 400! We are writing recounts about how we have built our reading shelters using adverbial phrases. Our design for our shelter is changing as we are trying out different ideas with all the recycled bottles that have been donated. Using clay we have made mini beasts and we are reading information books to find out more about them.

**Seacole:** What a busy week Seacole have had! We have learnt how to adapt our designs to make a tall and stable tower and we have also learnt about different tunnels around the world. We loved looking at Google Earth to see where the Channel Tunnel ran from and to. The highlight of our week has been our long awaited trip to Warwick Castle. We loved exploring the ramparts and climbing the motte. It was great to see what a real castle looked like and we learnt all about castle life. Please see Class Dojo for more pictures.

**Valentina:** Valentina Class have come on leaps and bounds in the space of just a week! Not only have we bridged 1000 with counting in 50s, this week we managed to count backwards in 50s from 1000 to 0, which was a huge challenge for us. We have looked really carefully at editing writing, and it has given us a lot to think about with regards to developing our dilemma stories. A highlight this week was receiving a bag of preserved predators' eyes from none other than David Attenborough! We set our eyes into clay and etched patterns into our clay to mimic the skin types and textures of the predator we thought the eyes had been taken from. We have been celebrating our favourite books by completing our first book reviews to go on our reading wall and after enormous amounts of effort, most of us have nearly finished our 'falcon's eye view' landscape drawings. We are so excited to show off our work to our families next Wednesday! Please join us from 2:30pm to celebrate our first term of Year 3 with us.



**DaVinci:** In maths this week, we have finished their work on rounding and estimating. They have now successfully mastered column addition involving regrouping.

In English, the children have worked really hard on their mystery stories. They have worked on producing some fantastic story openers using adjectives and expanded noun phrases in their character descriptions whilst building the tension with some very imaginative hook lines.

During topic we have discovered some interesting facts about Egyptians and have spent a lot of time with Mr Needle working on our recycled shelter.

We have started making some great sounds during music and are enjoying themselves immensely.

**Shakespeare:** Shakespeare class have been exploring their topic, Darwin's Delights, in detail and looking in to how animals adapt to their environment. We have created tortoises out of clay and can't wait to paint them next week. The children have created excellent charcoal sketches of the HMS Beagle, the boat that Charles Darwin travelled to the Galapagos Islands on. As we read more of our class text, Sky Hawk we are able to complete high quality writing about the characters and their discoveries.

**Celebration:** Friday 19th October (last day of current term) all parents/carers are invited to join us in celebrating our amazing Ofsted rating and our first STEAM term! Parents of KS1 and Foundation please come along for coffee and cakes from 2:00-2:30pm and KS2 from 2:30-3:00pm. We will be showcasing the projects that have been undertaken with such gusto by the children.

### Key Dates for your Diary:

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2.45pm - Kadinsky Art Exhibition
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> October 2.45pm Valentina - presentation "open discovery lab"
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> October 2.45pm - Seacole - open classroom
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – celebration!
- Break-Up Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October
- **INSET Day – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October**
- Parents evenings: Wednesday 31st October (3:15-5:00pm) and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November (4:00-7:00pm)
- School Opens – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October
- Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Have a fantastic weekend!

*Hiddleston*

Julie Hiddleston and the school team

**STARS OF THE WEEK** ★

Darwin: Isabella Z	Kadinsky: Charlie R
Seacole: Tehya D	Valentina: Aidan B
DaVinci: Olivia B	Shakespeare: Abi H

**WRITERS OF THE WEEK**

Darwin: Liliana P	Kadinsky: Ananya P
Seacole: Louis E	Valentina: Sarah S
DaVinci: Carley P	Shakespeare: Aiden E



# 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?**

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