



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all managed to 'enjoy' the snow last weekend. I had fun sledging with my family on Saturday and then paid the price on Sunday with very sore 'abs'! Speaking of Sunday, HUGE thanks for the team of parents who organised our first World Book Day themed Scarecrow Trail in The Heights. It was such a fun day enjoyed by the children, parents, grandparents (and my dog). The scarecrows were quite incredible. Thank you to everyone who took part and made a scarecrow and helped with refreshments in St Andrew's Church Hall. Congratulations to Liz Mackereth for winning the 'Funniest Scarecrow' prize with 'Captain Underpants', to Bav Mistry for winning the 'Most Eco-Friendly Scarecrow' prize with 'Stickman' and to Catherine Kiely for winning the 'Best Overall Scarecrow' prize with 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. I can't wait for next year!



KS1 Choir Performance

Congratulations to all our young choir members who sang beautifully at St Barnabus Church yesterday evening at the Berkshire Maestros Spring Concert. They were the only choir there, the youngest performers and they opened the show. Huge thanks to Mrs Fallon for developing and leading this wonderful young choir and to Mark Bassett for all his support and time with them.



Reception

We've been data handling this week! We went onto Westfield Park and completed a traffic survey of the types and colours of vehicles using tally charts and are busy analysing the data as Mrs Edwards writes this. We've also had fun completing ramp experiments with different cars and finding out which one travels the furthest. Many thanks to all the staff, Mrs Rosser and Mrs Man for helping us on our trip to the park.

Year 1

We've done all sorts of positional work in Maths and are really excited about our rescheduled trip to Winchester Science Museum and Planetarium on 22nd March.



Year 2

We've been catching up on what we missed last Friday and looked at the meaning and importance of Fair Trade and how we can tell if an item is fairly traded. We've been studying the five food groups in Science and have finished our column/vertical addition in Maths along with looking at number problems every day.



Year 3

We have had an amazing week enjoying a practical afternoon of Stone Age Life led by Saro Wallace and a great trip to the Earth Trust yesterday. Thanks to all the staff and parents for helping make it such an interesting and fun day.

Year 4

This week we've explored Roman Myths and are looking forward to writing our own next week. In Maths we've worked on our knowledge of measure including money problems, ruler measurement, converting between 12hr and 24hr clock and solving time problems. We've enjoyed learning about Hadrian's Wall in our topic time and learning about what life was like for a Roman soldier at the wall. The mosaics we are creating in Art are starting to look amazing and in Music we've learned about vibrations and sound and have started to think about how we could make our own musical instruments.

Living Eggs

We're really looking forward to this year's arrival of Living Eggs on Monday next week. It will be the fourth year that we've been part of the programme and both the children and staff gain a huge amount from the experience.



National Science Week

We can't wait for the return of Professor Fallon to lead our celebration of National Science Week next week. The children will be introduced to this year's theme of 'Exploration and Discovery' and the children will be learning about 'The Plastic Tide' which is a charity which aims to significantly reduce plastic waste. Throughout the week, the children will be taking part in various scientific investigations and the Reception children will enjoy a science challenge. It should be fun!

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all of you who attended consultations with teachers this week. The last consultations will take place on Thursday 15th March. If you haven't yet booked an appointment, please contact the school office.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Sophia and Alekh (RED), Lara and Leo (RSR)
Year 1 - Aron and Daisy (1AP), Grace and Alice (1VH)
Year 2 - Elliot and Victoria (2HK), Sofia and Luke (2SB)
Year 3 - Abigail and Joshua (3KF), Nathan and Zoya (3SW)
Year 4 - Phoebe and Freya (4CT)
Congratulations to you all!

Spotlight

Year 1 - Freddie (1VH) for being 'Street Feet' Dancer of the Week and to Annie (1VH) for working really hard on her swimming and achieving her Ducklings Level 3 and 4 awards and also Stage 1 Swimming award.
Year 2 - Tula (2HK) for completing more than 11 2K Junior Park Runs and receiving her Half-Marathon Wrist Band.
Year 3 - Scarlett (3SW) for receiving a Highly Commended Award in a String Solo at the Woodley Music Festival and being part of a group which won 2nd place and the Special Music Award for ensemble groups.
Congratulations to you all - well done!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Living Eggs Delivery	Monday 12 th March
Parent Consultations	Thursday 15 th March
Y3 & 4 Choir - Performance at Reading University	Monday 19 th March 7pm
Y1 Winchester Science Centre - Rescheduled Date	Thursday 22 nd March
Green Park Mini Mile & 10K	Sunday 20 th May

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen Edwards'.

Karen Edwards
Headteacher