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# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

Achieving Success Promoting Individual  
Responsibility and Excellence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a week of good news and celebration! We are really pleased to be a step closer to our school being built on Mapledurham Playing Fields following the Trustees' approval of the EFSA's proposal on Wednesday evening. We are also delighted with the progress made on the expansion of our temporary site. REDS10 have done an incredible job this week bringing the new modular blocks on to the site. We are very grateful to St Anne's Church, School and local residents for their understanding and support.



Congratulations to Rachael Reynolds and Patricia King for successfully gaining their Qualified Teacher Status this week.

We were thrilled to have been presented with our Modeshift Bronze Award by Councillor Page yesterday morning. Congratulations to Moorlands Primary for achieving the award too. We are hoping to be able to demonstrate that we have met the standards for the Silver Award in the autumn term. Thank you for all your efforts which demonstrate we are committed to sustainable travel to and from school.



## Multi-Skills - Year 2

Many thanks to Chris Ellison and his Performance Sports 'Team' for organising yet another fabulous sports event. 270 Year 2 children from our local primaries participated in a multi-skills morning at Queen Anne's school Wednesday. It was wonderful to see so many children actively participating in and enjoying sport at this event. Thanks also to Queen Anne's for hosting the event and to all the staff and parent volunteers who walked the children there and back and supervised them throughout the morning.

## Thank you

Thank you to Saadia Sadaat for coming in and talking to the children about Ramadan in our whole school assembly this week. The children were really interested to learn about how it is celebrated and what Ramadan and Eid means to Muslims and asked some very good questions.

## Reception

In Reception this week we've been looking at minibeasts and have used this theme to inspire our artwork. We had SO much fun on our trip to Thatcham Nature Discovery Centre and our teddies loved it too. We were so shocked when the teddies all disappeared into the woods but delighted when we found where they had all walked to. Phew!

## Year 1

This week we have been researching some amazing animals and learning to write non-chronological reports. It's been really interesting exploring the habitats of different animals. We've really enjoyed estimating and measuring liquids in Maths and solving watery problems. We've started to make some plasticine animals and animal silhouettes in Art and are looking forward to showing you our creations during our Art Exhibition.

## Year 2

We're enjoying our recorder lessons with Mrs Bentley every morning and hope you're also 'enjoying' listening to us practice at home. We had a brilliant morning at the Multi-Skills Festival on Wednesday at Queen Anne's and are really looking forward to our Pirate Day next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

## Year 3

This week we've been writing our own newspaper reports. We've tried to think of catchy headlines so that other people are drawn in to read the 'articles'. Within our Superstructures topic we've been looking at Bridges and exploring the impact that the construction of Reading Bridge and Caversham Bridge has had on us. We're looking forward to walking to both bridges on Monday to look at and compare the shapes of the structures, take some photos and make some sketches.

## Year 4

We've been focussing on poetry in recent weeks and wrote poems about volcanoes in our 'Big Write' session. We used photos from last week's beach trip to create landscape paintings of West Wittering beach using watercolours. We've been learning about electricity and electrical circuits in Science and had loads of fun meeting and pairing up with Year 4 children from Thameside on Thursday afternoon. We were tasked with making some Andy Goldsworthy inspired art creations out of natural resources on Westfield Park and look at what we achieved! Many thanks to all the Thameside children and staff for helping make it such a great afternoon and Mrs Wallace for providing the prizes. Mrs Edwards and Mrs Wallace said it was really difficult to judge as they were all so good!



## PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

**Year 1** - Imogen, Miah and Quinn (1AP) Lizzy and George (1VH)

**Year 2** - Amelia, Jack and Freddie (2HK) Sara and George (2SB)

**Year 3** - Harry and Eddy (3KF) and Ffion, Sienna and Ameya (3SW)

**Year 4** - All of Year 4 (4CT)

Congratulations to you all!

## Spotlight

### Rainbows

Elodie (1VH) and Holly (RSR) for making their Rainbow Promises.

### Martial Arts

Samuel (1VH) for earning his brown belt.

### Karate

Kacper (2SB) for earning his 8<sup>th</sup> Kyu Certificate in Karate.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Pirate Day - Year 2	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June
North Reading Inter-Schools Art Competition - Exhibition at Emmer Green Primary School	Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 11-1.00pm
Year 3 Violin/Recorder Concert	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 9.15am
Sports Day	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July
Whole School Art Exhibition	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 3.30-4.00pm
Early Move-Up Day	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July
Heights Fun Fest	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 12.30pm-3.30pm

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