



Newsletter - 22nd March

Happy Easter



On behalf of all of the staff and Governors, we would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter and hope that you all have a lovely break!

Our Learning



In music lessons this week, Brambles composed their own music thinking about how animals move and in Forest School they went on an egg hunt! The children also enjoyed some pond dipping and used the recently added concrete base for our new Forest School Summer House as a stage!

Oak Class have been testing flavours and then learning cutting and slicing skills in their DT lessons to make healthy smoothies. Year 1 have also been bug hunting and having adventures in Forest School.

In Willow Class, in PE Lessons, the children have created their own treasure maps of the school and leaving their friends fitness instructions to follow along their path.

Elm Class joined a virtual Science Lesson to celebrate Science Week, took part in interactive, collaborative Book Talk lessons, tasted and compared sauces, looking at nutritional values in DT lessons and then created their own products and labels. We were also so impressed with the quality of the homework submitted by Elm Class for this half term. We are so proud of you!



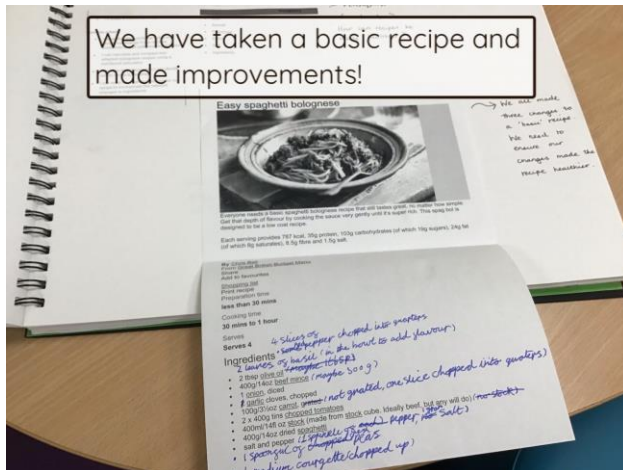
Today was one of those special days at Forest School, we have all laughed alot! Especially when Miss Corbett got splashed with pond water 🤪

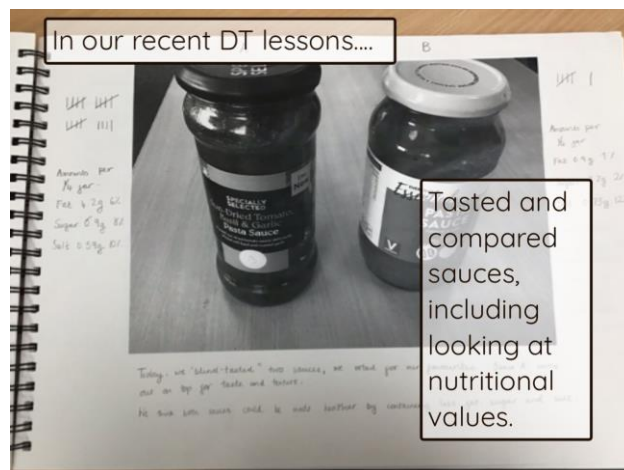
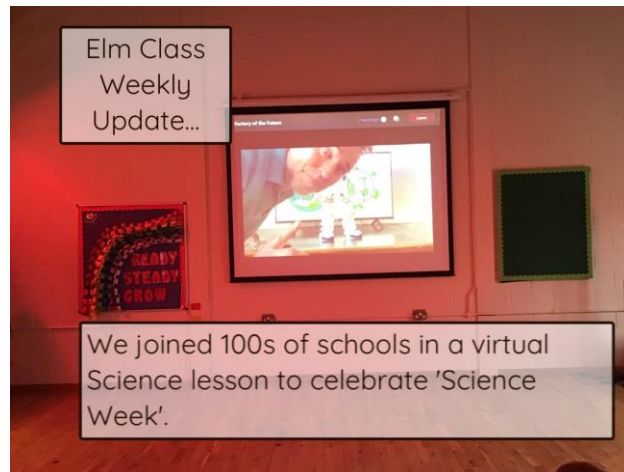


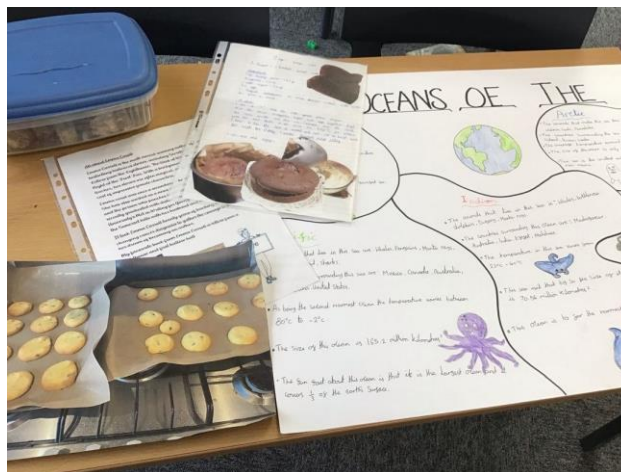
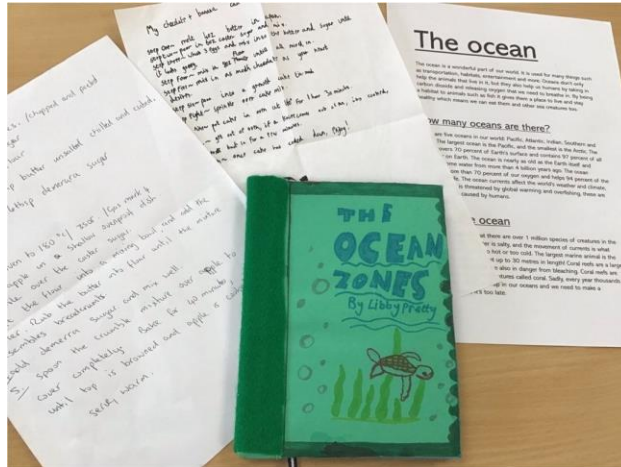








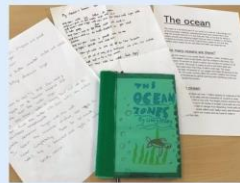






Elm Class

Wow! Wow! Wow! You have surpassed yourselves with your homework today! Thank you all for embracing your learning journey.



We had videos to watch, presentations to enjoy and so many brilliant chefs!

Trips and Experiences



This week all of the children got a chance to take part in an 'All Stars Cricket Day.' We were so lucky with the weather and the children had great fun!

On Thursday last week, some of our Year 5 /6 girls had the opportunity to take part in the RGS Netball Tournament. Considering they were competing against girls who play Netball for clubs, our girls did so well and we were so proud of them!

Then on Friday last week, it was the turn of our swimmers, who took part in a huge Swimming Gala organised by Worcester Swimming Club. Considering we were competing against much larger schools, many of whom had children who train with Swimming Clubs we did incredibly well! We came 10th out of 15th schools, but the highlight of the day was when we won our heat in the 8 x 25metres Freestyle race where we came in first! Lots of the children were nervous about competing in such a big arena, and lots of them stepped up and did swims which they didn't feel confident in. We were so proud of their resilience, team work and determination!

We are also now working with the 'Open The Book' team from Ombersley Church, who are visiting us at least once a term to deliver an assembly around Christian stories. These assemblies are great fun and involve dressing up and the children taking part.

thank you as well, to all of you who donated towards the Wellbeing Champions Cake Sale this week. They have raised £101 which will be invested into wellbeing activities and resources for the whole school.







Recruitment



We are delighted to announce that we have secured a fabulous teacher to work in Willow Class from September. Her name is Miss Abigail Unitt and she has lots of experience teaching in different schools and year groups. We are also very pleased to say, that due to a change in personal circumstances, Mr Webster will be remaining with us until 10th May this year. We will then secure a temporary teacher to cover the class until the end of the Summer Term and will update you with more details when we have them. Miss Unitt is hoping to be able to do some transition work with us, so hopefully the children will get to meet her and know her a little better before the Summer.

The post to cover Mrs Lawson's Maternity Leave has been advertised and the closing date is just after Easter. We have had quite a bit of interest, and will be shortlisting and interviewing at the start of the Summer Term.

Year 5 / 6 Transition Project



The Local Authority have invited local schools to take part in a research project with Manchester University to improve pupils' experiences of transitioning from Primary into Secondary education.

The project aims to design a questionnaire to measure children's emotional wellbeing in the context of moving from primary school to secondary school. The project will provide resources and lessons to help support the children's emotional wellbeing as they transition to Secondary school and the questionnaires/surveys will be used to measure the effectiveness of the programme. This will then hopefully support the development of a wider programme of support for other schools.

Elm Class have received letters regarding this project, so please ensure that you have read the letters and completed the relevant forms/returned the forms by Monday 8th April.

PE Challenge



Our PE challenges for this month are below! If you manage to do it, please do send us photographs on Seesaw! Miss Field would love to see them!

April – How many times can you throw a ball up, clap once and catch it in a minute?



PTA



Thank you to our lovely PTA again, for organising an Easter Egg hunt for all of our children today! The children had a fantastic time and were all beaming!

The PTA are now planning the following events, so keep the dates free in your diaries!

May Afternoon tea event – Friday 24th May

Father's Day – gifts in Monday 10th June & wrap Wednesday 12th June

Summer Event – Sytch Extravaganza Friday 19th July



Barnabee Tea



- Brambles

Seb for learning and following our routines of the day. Well done, Seb.

- Oak

Year 1 - Mason for being grown up and making sensible choices.

Year 2 - Imogen Shuck for her excellent phonics knowledge.

- Willow Class

Year 3: Bella C for believing in herself in her independent writing.

Year 4: Connie P for determination to improve in all areas of the curriculum.

- Elm Class

Year 5 - Holly M- an excellent attitude during assessment week. You have demonstrated determination and perseverance. Well done!

Year 6 - Ethan Fisher Lee- for working hard on your handwriting and being determined to receive an handwriting pen. You must keep it up!



Portacabin Rebuild Project - Grand Opening





We have been really busy planning the Grand Opening of our new building, which will take place from 1.30pm on Wednesday 10th April.

Matt Richards (Swimmer) will be joining us as our special guest and is bringing his medals and GB kit to show the children. He and his fiancée, Emily Large, who is also a GB Swimmer and former junior world champion in the 200 Butterfly, will be on hand throughout the afternoon to chat to everyone, sign any kit and take photos.

We invite parents and carers to come and collect their children at 1.30pm from the usual classroom collection points. Parents will be asked to sign their children out and thus take full responsibility for their children's safety as we will have lots of external visitors on site. If you are not able to join us for the afternoon, then please let the class teachers know in advance and we will arrange for staff to look after the children and help them join in the fun. Please also feel free to bring a picnic if you wish (dependent upon the weather!).

Our wonderful neighbours and the Community Hall are all offering space for parking, but where possible, if you could car share that would be really helpful. The Leaking Well have also offered their car park for parents to park and walk down to the school.

We will gather in the hall initially to introduce some of our guests and then the opening ceremony will take place at approximately 2pm. The new building will then be open for you to wander around and enjoy! We are hoping to have the time lapse footage of the build on display for you all to view too.

We have invited Worcester News to attend and are hopeful too, that Nick Clitheroe from Midlands Today will be attending!

The PTA have offered to help with refreshments and would welcome any help!

Diary Dates



We are still in the process of finalising our calendar and schedule for next term and checking availability for parking for some of our bigger events. We have attached the proposed dates for next term for your information, but please be mindful that these may be subject to some change. Please remember that we will also ensure that our calendar on the website is regularly updated.

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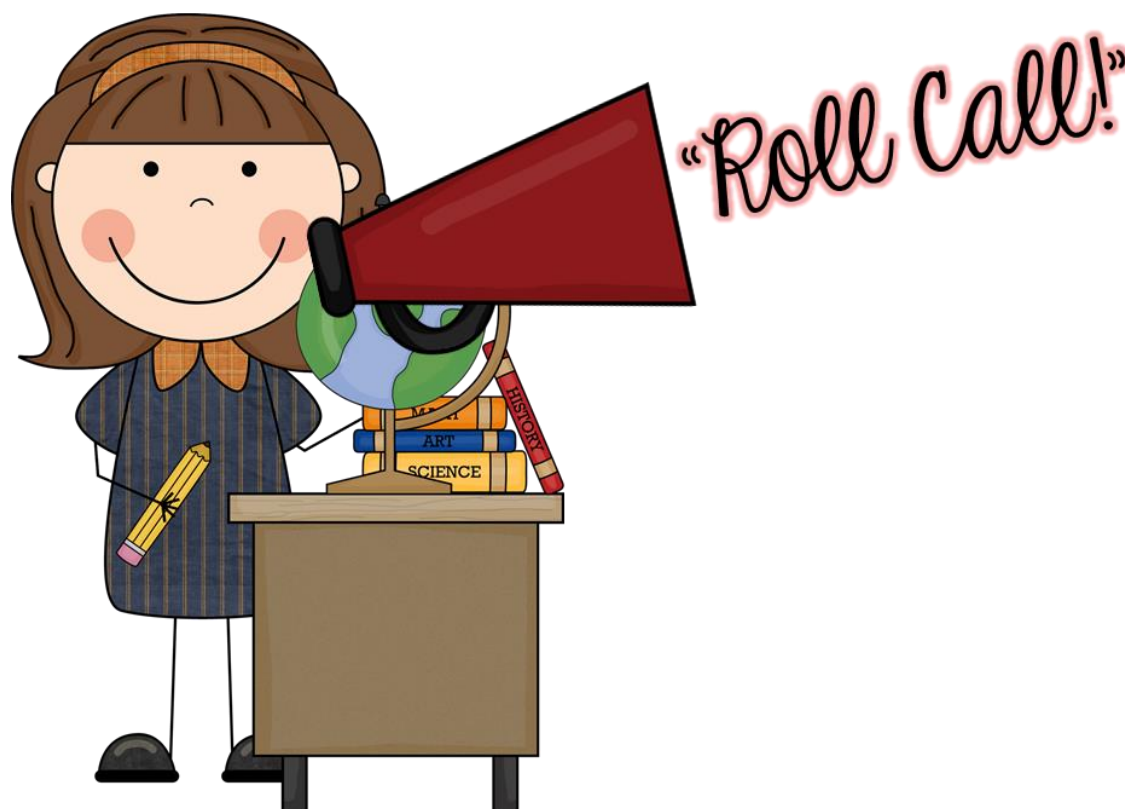
Provisional Summer Term Dates 2024

Monday 8th April	School re-opens to pupils
Wednesday 10th April	1.30pm New Building Grand Opening
Thursday 11th April	Willow Class Tudor World Trip (All Day)
Friday 12th April	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents welcome)
Wednesday 17th April	3.15pm KS2 SATS Parent Drop In Q&A Session (Elm Class) Willow Class First Swimming Session Oak Class Bodenham Arboretum Trip (All Day)
Friday 19th April	Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Monday 22nd April	KS1 Maternity Cover Interviews (All Day)
Tuesday 23rd April	Willow Class Bellboating (All Day)
Wednesday 24th April	KS1 Cricket Festival (tbc)
Friday 26th April	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Tuesday 30th April	2pm Parent Voice Meeting
Wednesday 1st May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group
Thursday 2nd May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group
Friday 3rd May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY (School Closed)
Tuesday 7th May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group
Wednesday 8th May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group
Thursday 9th May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group
Friday 10th May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group 2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Monday 13th May	Year 6 KS2 SPAG SATS Paper 1 and Paper 2
Tuesday 14th May	Year 6 KS Reading SATS
Wednesday 15th May	Year 6 KS2 Maths SATS Papers 1 and 2
Thursday 16th May	Year 6 KS2 Maths SATS Paper 3
Friday 17th May	Year 6 SATS Celebration Year 4 Bikeability Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Tuesday 21st May	Open the Book Assembly
Wednesday 22nd May	09.00 Elm Class Pioneer Information Meeting for Parents
Friday 24th May	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term
Mon 27th May – Fri 31st May	HALF TERM
Monday 3rd June	TED Day – School Closed To Pupils
Tuesday 4th June to Friday 7th June	Year 4 Statutory Multiplication Tests
Tuesday 4th June	3.30pm EYFS New Parents Meeting
Wednesday 5th June	Willow Class last swimming lesson
Wednesday 5th June to Friday 7th June	Elm Class Pioneer Residential
Friday 7th June	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Monday 10th June to Friday 14th June	KS1 Statutory Phonics Screening Checks
Monday 10th June	Fathers' Day Donations (PTA)
Tuesday 11th June	Art Workshops with local artist Wendy Simmons
Wednesday 12th June	Elm Class First Swimming Lesson PTA Fathers' Day Secret Room
Friday 14th June	09.30 – 11.00 EYFS Music Festival @ Chawson School Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Tuesday 19th June	09.00-10.00 EYFS Transition Morning (New parents and pupils) Open The Book Assembly
Friday 21st June	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Monday 24th June to Friday 28th June	Assessment Week for all year groups except Year 6 (including optional KS1 SATS)
Thursday 27th June	Year 5 Taster Day @ Bishop Perowne
Friday 28th June	Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Monday 1st July	Whole School Transition Day EYFS Transition Session (New pupils) Paris Pursuit (All week PE Olympics link)
Wednesday 3rd July	09.15 – 11.30 Sports Day (TBC)
Friday 5th July	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Tuesday 9th July	KS2 SATS Results

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Wednesday 10th July	Willow Class Bellboating Regatta (All Day) 1.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance (TBC) 5.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance (TBC)
Friday 12th July	End of Year Reports (including KS1 Phonics Score, Year 4 MTC Score) out to parents RAGs to Riches Textile Collection Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Monday 15th July	2.30pm Year 5 Blazer Ceremony (TBC)
Tuesday 16th July	09.15am – 11.30am Reserve Sports Day (TBC) Open The Book Assembly
Wednesday 17th July	2.00pm Year 6 Leavers Celebration
Friday 19th July	PTA Sytch Extravaganza

Attendance



Thank you so much to everyone for making a big effort to be in school. We really want to make the most of every opportunity to help your child reach their full potential, so by ensuring that they are in school, you will be supporting us in achieving this. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on our school website.

Attendance Breakdown Between 04/06/2023 and 21/07/2024			
U Group	U Present Inc. Abs	U Authorised Absence	U Unauthorised Absence
1	27/30	1/30	2/30
2	27/30	2/30	1/30
3	26/30	2/30	2/30
4	26/30	2/30	2/30
5	26/30	2/30	2/30
6	26/30	2/30	2/30
7	26/30	2/30	2/30
8	26/30	2/30	2/30
Overseas Group	27/30	1/30	2/30
Other	26/30	2/30	2/30