

HAPPY SPRING!



St Christopher's CE Weekly Newsletter – 19th March 2021 – Spring

John 10:10: "I have come in order that you might have life – life in all its fullness."

What a wonderfully busy week it has been.

The school council have been elected with an amazing variety of excellent presentations and some very close voting.

We have had our new outdoor learning space (with living roof!) put up. Thank you to Councillor John Sanders who agreed our application for a grant from the Councillor Priority Fund at Oxfordshire County Council, and many thanks also to Jay & Team from Wonderful Woods for creating the beautiful space.

It was Shakespeare Week with a wellbeing theme, Year 4 and 6 have been enjoying live poetry workshops and Year 2 have become palaeontologists and unearthed incredible fossils!!

We were pleased to welcome Reverend Geoff back virtually for our collective worship on Monday morning and we will be joined by Reverend Gemma next week.

What a glorious rainbow to finish the week. Nature inspiring curiosity and imagination!



Health & Safety

Whilst we appreciate the disruption the road changes and LTN's have caused, please can we ask parents to show consideration for local residents. Please do not block the road near the Silver Band Hall as residents of the new housing there cannot access their homes. Parents can park at the Marsh Lane car park and walk their children to school from there.

A flyer was sent out via parent mail, with all the information about the park and stride. Please use the following link:[file:///C:/Users/Admin-01/Downloads/park%20and%20stride%20flyer%20\(2\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/Admin-01/Downloads/park%20and%20stride%20flyer%20(2).pdf)

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Important Information:

Please check your parent mail for important information. If you have any problems with your parent mail please contact the school office on 01865 779772, the ladies will be happy to help.



Very excited with our new outdoor learning space.



Our newly elected school council members are:

- Lime Class - Aizah
- Maple Class - Beth
- Hazel Class - Alaiya
- Cherry Class - Cecilia
- Apple Class - Aria
- Plane Class - Idris
- Ash Class - Taquee
- Oak Class - Luca
- Silver Birch Class - Adan
- Aspen Class - Vrinda
- Willow Class - Zahraa
- Rowan Class - Emily

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CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

- Lime Class - Aizah & Nicolas
- Maple Class – Radu & Shakur
- Hazel Class – Anayah & Stephanie
- Cherry Class – Masooma & Kaleem
- Apple Class – Adrian & Anosh
- Plane Class - Kelvin & Manha
- Ash Class – Ajsel & Ana
- Oak Class – Poppy & Tyler
- Aspen Class – Atlas & Nuben
- Silver Birch Class – Melis & Rukaiya
- Willow Class – Elizabeth & Enzo
- Rowan Class – Barakat & Patricia

Well Done all of you!



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Spring has begun – March 20th

Tolkien Day - 25th March

Palm Sunday – 28th March

Good Friday – 2nd April

Easter Sunday – 4th April

Easter Monday – 5th April

School finishes Wednesday 31st March at 3pm

Easter Holidays – Thursday 1st April – Friday 16th April.

School returns Monday 19th April 08.30am – Summer Term!

Birthdays this week:

Zainab turned 8, Breno turned 9, Binyamin turned 7, Naia turned 5,

Yahya turned 5, Logan turned 5, Luana turned 6, Salamat turned 9, Barakat turned 11,

And Aylin turned 4,

Many happy returns to all of you



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Learning Next Week:

	English	Maths	P.E.	Reminders	Other Information
Nursery	Literacy – we will be exploring adjectives and describing the Little Red Hen and discussing whether we would each help the Little Red Hen and why.	Number of the week is 9 and we will be exploring what 9 looks like, using the 10 frame and going on a number hunt outside.		Easter Bonnet competition. Make a bonnet at home with your grown up ready for our Easter parade on Wednesday 31 st March.	Sound of the week is g in phonics. We will be starting to look at the true meaning of Easter and celebrating Holi Festival with lots of colourful activities on Thursday.
Reception	Literacy: We will be innovating the story of Handa's Surprise and thinking of new adjectives and fruit to go in it. We will also be hot-seating the characters. In phonics we will be continuing to practise phase 2 and 3 sounds.	We will be practising recognising numbers to 10, finding 1 more and 1 less than a number and continuing with addition and subtraction.	No need for a P.E. kit. We will be doing small active sessions throughout the week.		In topic, we will be exploring different ways of grouping African animals.
Year 1	We will be writing short sentences, practising our handwriting and recapping phase 3 tricky words	We are revising counting in 10s, number bonds to 20, missing numbers up to 100, greater or less than up to 100 and Tens and Ones.	Maple: Tuesday Lime: Wednesday	Reminders: Can all children please bring in their water bottles every day, thank you.	Topic: The history of Space travel. Science: Floating and Sinking.
Year 2	Writing our finding fossil stories using adjectives.	Multiplication and division.	Cherry – Tuesday Hazel – Thursday Please send the children in PE Kits. We continue to do circuit training.	Please send the children in with change of shoes/wellies and socks as we plan on outside learning looking at microhabitats and places to put our multilink dinosaurs.	Topic – we continue the dinosaur topic. Science – learning about habitats. R.E the Easter story.
Year 3	Literacy Non chronological reports on Greek Mythological Creatures.	Revision of multiplication, division, and fractions.	Apple – Wednesday Plane – Monday Come in wearing your PE kits.	Please bring in any newspaper as we will need it for our Art!	Art – Ancient Greek Vases Science – Magnetism Topic – What did the Ancient Greeks do for fun? R.E. – The Easter story. PSHE – Looking after our mental health.

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Year 4	<p>Persuasive posters advertising a new Willy Wonka product.</p> <p>Reading – The Mayan myth of the Hero Twins.</p>	<p>Estimating, comparing, and calculating money in pounds and pence. We will also be solving simple money problems.</p>		<p>Please bring in tin cans so children can make a candombe drums.</p>	<p>Science – Vibrations that travel through a medium to the ear. Topic – Mayan numbers and calendar system. P\$HE- mental health and wellbeing. RE – Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?</p>
Year 5	<p>Continue to explore the tale of Beowulf from the point of view of Beowulf</p>	<p>Addition and subtraction</p>	<p>Aspen - Monday Silver Birch - Tuesday Please send children to school in PE kit with spare shoes to keep the wet and dirt outside</p>	<p>Although we are not setting homework before the Easter break, we still expect children to be reading for at least 20 minutes every evening. They can borrow books from school to take home.</p>	<p>Spelling - revising words from the Year 5/6 statutory spellings list.</p>
Year 6	<p>We will be completing some baseline assessments, then starting work on newspaper articles inspired by the Easter Story</p>	<p>We will be working on baseline assessments, then accurately constructing 2d shapes using mathematical equipment</p>	<p>Monday for Rowan Friday for Willow.</p>	<p>Don't forget to be reading daily and practising your times tables</p>	<p>Spellings will be on the ough spelling pattern</p>

We will be sending these letters weekly and including information that we hope is helpful for you to support your child's learning.



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Have a fantastic weekend.

Ms Screaton & Mrs Davies