

Newsletter Week 38

Summer 2018

We work hard to build in as many opportunities as possible for learning outside of the classroom and it has been a busy week in school for this. Our Year 6 children enjoyed an amazing residential from Friday through to Monday, On Tuesday Year 2 visited Wicken Fen, on Wednesday Year 5 were off to Burwell and on Thursday Year 3 experienced Grafham Water.

We know from what our children tell us that such hands on learning experiences are highly motivating and in many cases they give children the opportunity to challenge themselves in ways that cannot be replicated in the classroom. We have seen amazing teamwork and resilience and got to know the children in new and interesting ways.

Taking children out of school is a huge responsibility and is becoming more and more rare for many reasons. I am proud that we have staff who are willing to put in the time and energy and who volunteer their own time so that trips and visits can take place. So to all of them and the parents and helpers who make these things happen for our children—Thank you !

Nikki Brown

Year 5 Trip to Burwell

This week both Year 5 classes visited Burwell Museum as part of their Victorian topic. They took part in different activities such as constructing rag-rugs from old cloth, searching through census documents for information and debating the use of 'new' steam technology to power the windmill with Mr and Mrs Mason.



GDPR

We have updated our privacy notice to comply with the General Data Protection. Rules will come into force today. You can read it on the school [website](#).

Did you know that there are over 9,000 different species that live at Wicken Fen? This is just one of the incredible discoveries that Year 2 made when they visited on Monday this week as part of their topic on habitats and living things. Children were guided by the expert leaders from the National Trust in looking for mini-beasts, pond-dipping and creating some amazing animal art works based on the creatures that live at Wicken Fen. Children made a human centipede and a human millipede as they learnt about some differences between carnivores and herbivores. They learnt about how dragon flies can see all around them, because of their compound eyes, which also enable them to see in colours that are not visible to humans! Back at school, children have been writing about their experiences, which included diving beetles, caddis fly larvae and a water scorpion! As always, a huge thank you to the parent volunteers who were able to come on the day to help in the groups.



CLASS OF THE WEEK

This class has impressed their teacher with their creativity across the curriculum, particularly in maths, English and DT. Each and every one of them has improved their ability to work effectively as a team and their cheerful and co-operative approach has been particularly impressive after such a tiring week. In maths they have demonstrated systematic problem-solving whilst in writing they have collaborated to produce high quality texts. Their articulate reflections on existing products in DT allowed them to make some delicious meals, ideally suited to their intended users. Their ability to share out roles and responsibilities fairly to improve the team's overall success was the consequence of a fabulous weekend away in which all staff were proud of their resilience and teamwork. All of this followed an incredibly busy SATs week in which the whole class rose to the challenge in a calm and confident fashion. Well done, everybody. The class of the week is Lilac!

Well done to the following children who have impressed their teachers this week:

Crimson: Emilia
 Scarlet: Zizhen Fenn
 Burgundy: Marni Daisy Aphra
 Ruby: Walter Isaiah
 Topaz: Tianyi Felix
 Turquoise: Dunila Valentina
 Jade: Izzy
 Sapphire: Barney
 Amethyst: Jennie Zofia
 Indigo: Daisy
 Lilac: Polly Katie AJ Ksenjia
 Violet: Boma Anna Ben

28th May-1st June Half Term
 6th June Rock steady Music assembly
 9th June FOM Family Fun Run
 15th June Bags to School
 18th June Inset Day
 22nd June Year 5 Wandlebury
 27th June Early Years open evening for children starting school in September
 3rd July Early year's sports day
 3rd July KS2 evening concert
 9th July Key stage 1 sports day
 10th July Key stage 2 sports day at Coleridge 9am-12pm
 14th July FOM Summer Fete
 18th July Y 6 leavers performance
 20th July last day of school for children

Dates for the Diary:

Morley Family Fun Run

When: Saturday 9th June from 3pm.

Where: Nightingale Rec, 37 Nightingale Avenue, Cambridge, CB1 8SG

What will happen: There will be races for the following age categories:

Reception, years 1 and 2 - 1 km

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 2km

12-16 years - 2km

16+ - 2km

Prizes awarded for fancy dress, pluckiest runner and of course the fastest! This a fun, non-competitive event – open to all levels of fitness. We would love for everyone to bring a picnic and make an afternoon of it once the races finish.

What do you need to do: Register your team or family here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/morley-family-fun-run-tickets-46084984429>