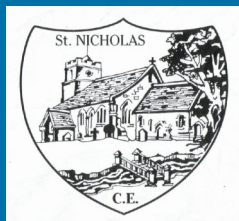


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Longparish CE Primary School Newsletter

'To do all things through Christ who strengthens us' (Phil 4/13)

Friday 08 March 2024



FFT National
Attendance Award
2023/24

Attendance for the
year to date: 96.6%

Attendance for the
week: 97.8%



Fundraising Update:

So far it looks like children's sponsorship has raised over £1,200! We know that there are more amazing fundraising adventures taking place so we are extraordinarily proud of the efforts of the children (and of you all) to play a part in the fundraising.

A reminder from FoLS; please can you bring in any cash and donation forms - so they can claim gift aid.

We have had a number of successful grant applications and donations from the PCC and others, such as the Longparish fete committee and even WADS - the Whitchurch Amateur Dramatic Society.

We continue to apply for new grants, approach local companies etc but, with 5 months to go, we are in the right direction to meeting our goal.

If you work for a company that might have a charitable fund that we can apply for, please let us know.

If you have contacts within Test Valley Planning Dept. or have expertise in planning, please also let us know!

CAKE/TRAYBAKE/BISCUIT SALE

Robin class did an amazing job this Monday, baking up a storm, and providing a veritable feast of goodies for us all.

This Monday it is HERON CLASS who will be providing an opportunity for us to stock up for the week on treats at home.

Again, please bring a Tupperware to take away any of the cakes you may purchase. Cakes will be available to buy—cash or card.



The Plough Pub will once again be adding to the selection with some of their cakes too. (They will donate cakes to every class sale this term.)

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World Book Day Celebrations

All the children looked fabulous in their different outfits and with their snuggly blankets. We started the day with an assembly in the hall, and Mrs Jordan sharing a book about 100 ways to read a book. We all then had some time to collectively read together.



Thank you to our FOLS who then ran their book stand—giving every child a book to take home to read.







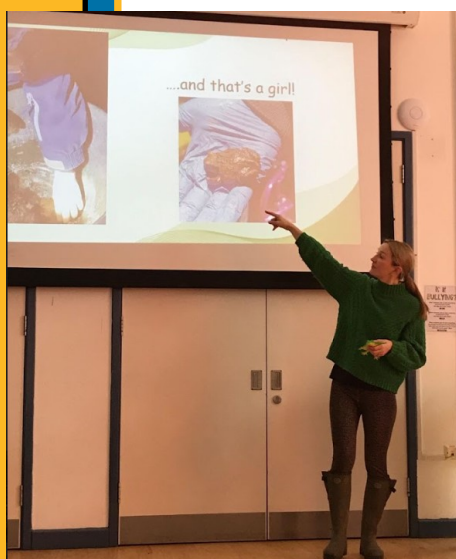
**Class
Learning
this
week
Robin
Class**

Another busy time in Robin class this week.

Here are a few photos to show what the children do as they arrive in class before the register, this is an important transition time where they draw, write, play a board game, chat with their friends or check in on our tadpoles. This soft start between 8:45am and 9:00am allows them time to settle into the space and get ready for the day ahead.



Robin's Class enjoyed a fantastic talk by Susie from the toad patrol. It really brought their important environmental job to life and gave valuable learning and insight into toads which the children loved and linked perfectly to our learning on life cycles, growing and changing.



**Class
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this
week
Robin
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This week at forest school the children made porridge on the campfire linked to Goldilocks and the 3 Bears; super for World Book Day!



With the weather cheering up this week the children have loved building tractors, combine harvesters and bug hunting outside. It is always wonderful to see learning started inside carried on and revisited in the outdoor learning space.



**Class
Learning
this week
Heron
Class**

We have had such a busy week in Heron Class. We have had lots of fun practically measuring mass. Using balance scales, we measured and ordered objects by weight, using some great comparative language to record and explain what we found. We then compared using these scales to digital scales, which we used to follow a recipe to bake our own biscuits (which were very yummy!)



In English, Herons learned the importance of time words and sequencing to order key events of a story and we have had such fantastic writing from everyone, retelling the classic tale 'Little Red Riding Hood'.

In Science this week, we have begun to consider the suitability of different materials for different purposes and have linked this with our English focus text to consider some situations for 'Little Red'. This week, we investigated whether card, plastic or fabric was best for wrapping up 'biscuits for Granny,' to protect them in the basket from getting wet during a walk through the woods – this was very important as Granny doesn't like soggy biscuits!



Hérons had lots of books and reading inspired fun for World Book Day and really enjoyed sharing stories together throughout the day - especially when it was our turn to pick a new book to take home. We completed our unit of work about 'spreadsheets' in our computing session, learning how to use the 'counting' and 'speaking' tools to help us calculate and record amounts of objects we had sorted into groups within our spreadsheet. What a busy bunch you have been this week Herons!



**Class
Learning
this week
Kingfisher
Class**

This week the class have been making their Egyptian collars by design, textile and threading skills. They have enjoyed learning about Egyptian jewellery and how jewellery was used to signify prosperity.

We have continued to practise our play and we are looking forward to performing to parents next Tuesday 12th March at 2.15pm and Thursday 14th March at 6pm.

In ICT we have continued to learn the skills of touch typing, there are many programmes to support children such as purple mash.

In Maths we have continued to study length and the conversion between mm/cm/m/km. We have become more confident in calculating perimeter and relating these to real life problems. In English the children have reinforced their understanding of inverted commas and how to punctuate speech in their written Egyptian narrative.

Our love of stories and books is incredibly strong in our class and we thoroughly enjoyed World Book day where we created our own blurb for our favourite books.

Another fantastic week Kingfishers.



Class
Learning
this week
Chaffinch
Class

We had a great start to the week, where children had an opportunity to create their own final pieces, using our key artists as their inspirations. We were lucky enough to have our artist Jill Smith along with Mrs Witcher to guide us. The children loved using a variety of tools and mediums to create their artwork and it was great to see a change in their style to experiment.

In music, the children listened to The Fugees this week comparing it to The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air, linking the beats and style.

As Scientists, they compared the work of Lamarck and Darwin, learning that Lamarck had a different theory before Darwin and that people realised his theory was not right once Darwin came along!

In Geography, the children learnt what earthquakes are, how they are recorded on the Richter scale and how they would impact our lives and others in different parts of the world. They were surprised to hear that buildings had to be designed to sway in places like Japan as earthquakes were common.

It was great for the children to finish their narrative recounts this week, it was a pleasure to see the technical and emotive language throughout, making their writing interesting and full of suspense. Well done!

In PE, children have started to create their own sequences involving equipment and different turns and movements.



Celebration Worship

House Point Totals		
House	Weekly points	Total Points
St Andrew	201	1912
St David	145	1832
St George	173	1824
St Patrick	187	1877

Housepoint Winner of the

Robins	Marlow
Heron Class	Emily
Kingfisher Class	Eliza
Chaffinch Class	Ben W



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Our House Point Certificate winners for the week.



Other successes.

Pen licence: Josh and Grace



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Celebration Worship

Stars of the Week

Robins	Xander
Heron Class	Ivo
Kingfisher Class	Patrick
Chaffinch Class	Ralph



This week's squirrel certificate winners



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Diary Dates

Community and Parish

Diary Dates	
Spring Term	
11 March MONDAY	HERON cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
12 March 2:15pm	Kingfisher Play
14 March 6pm	
18 March MONDAY	CHAFFINCH cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
18th March Monday	Yr 3&4 Hockey Tournament Rookwood
20 March @2:30pm	Kingfisher Violin Listen 2 Me Concert
25 March MONDAY	KINGFISHER cakes, tray bakes and biscuits SALE
26 March 2-5pm	Years 5&6 Football Festival @ John Hanson
28th March	Easter Service in Church
	Last day of Term
Summer Term	
15 April	First day of Summer Term
13, 14, 15.16 May	Year 6 SATs tests
Sunday 19th May	Longparish Run—all ages welcome
25 May—2 June	Half term
Saturday 8th June 12-4	Summer Fayre
Monday 17th June	INSET day
Thursday 20th June	Yr 6 Leavers Service Winchester Cathedral
26th June	Sports day
28th June	Herons Country Dancing @ John Hanson
2 July	Year 5 Taster Day Testbourne

Sunday 3 March

10:30 Family Service

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