



Newsletter

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Dear families,

Welcome back to the spring term - we hope that you all had a restful and happy Christmas and New Year. Thank you for all the beautiful cards and gifts that we were given at the end of term – they were much appreciated.

The new class projects have started in earnest and there is a purposeful buzz around the school.

TA & MMS Post

Full time TA and MMS post available – see this link for further information.

<https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/web/vacancies/634563>

EYFS closing date

Please note that the deadline for Reception September 2024 is 15th January 2024.

Willow Class

In Willow Class we have started our **Superhero** topic with our big question, **What's Your Superpower?** We have talked about what Superheroes are and what they do. We have designed our own Superheroes, named them and said what our Superpower would be. We have talked about what we are good at. We have enjoyed "Superworm" and thought about him as a character. We have designed his base, a villain, Superworm's vehicle and a trap to catch the villain! In PE we have been dancing like Superheroes and danced with a partner, acting out a Superhero

battle. In maths we have practised counting backwards, working our 1 more and 1 less and talked about the importance of 0. We have learnt some new sounds in phonics.



Beech Class

Beech Class have welcomed the new topic with open arms, Wonderful woodland. We have started our woodland fact files focusing on using our Capital letters and full stops. We have also introduced a new member to the class – Tree-hedge! He is a hedgehog from the forest and he tells us facts about his habitat!



In computing, we have been looking at giving direction to a bee-bot. Next week we will try to make our own instructions to control a robot!

This term we have introduced



independent reading and paired reading every day, we have really enjoyed it!

In Geography, we have learned the meaning of physical features and human features of the



world. Physical features are things the earth can make itself and human features are what

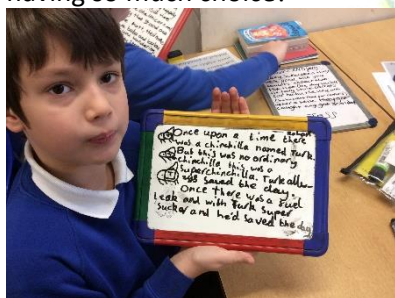


humans make!

Holly Class

Holly have had a great start to the spring term. Our first week back started with swimming; the children behaved brilliantly and were very excited! This week they started in their groups and I can see so much more confidence in the children from

last year to now. We discussed our new big question and our new project. In art, we started sketching and in geography, we started researching locations around the world to start to plan our travel guides. In English, we started the term with watching a short video about a lighthouse. The children are continuing to learn skills such as fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and prepositional phrases based around the video. We also did some free writing where the children had to continue from the sentence start Once Upon a time...Some children loved being able to choose where to take this but some struggled with having so much choice!



In maths, we have continued with multiplication and division, focusing on our times tables but problem solving using them too. The year 3's have looked at arrays as well as the 2, 4 and 8 timetables. The Year 4's have been exploring the multiples of 3 but using these to identify the multiples much larger than 100.



In science, we started states of matter and we had to sort

material into solids, liquids and gases. We are excited about our lesson coming next as we will be making Oobleck!



Silver Birch Class Mr Pitt

Welcome to Wilfred Pitt who was born on 21st December 2024. We welcome back Mr Pitt next Wednesday after his paternity leave.

Headlice

Please be aware that there has been headlice in some of the classes this term. Please check your children's hair regularly and treat if found.

Values Awards

This week's certificates:

Love Noah M
Respect Scarlett P
Resilience Arabella T

Diary Dates:

See the website calendar for important dates:

<https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/web/calendar/223211>

**Ms Lofthouse and all staff at
Bolney CEP School**

