

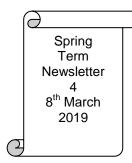
Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

It is lovely to see the children being so enthusiastic about their learning. After mistakenly taking Willow class to the hall instead of to Beech class today, one child said, "It's okay to make a mistake." which was followed by another child saying "We learn when we make mistakes." They are so right and so brilliant! I was delighted to see our work on how we learn being shared.

Willow

We have been reading "Harry and the Dinosaurs say Raaa", about Harry's trip to the dentist. We have been acting out the conversation between Harry and his dentist and writing it too. Year R have been weighing and comparing objects, using the language of weight, such as lighter and heavier. Year 1 have been counting up to 50 objects accurately, representing tens and ones using different resources such as ten frames. Diennes cubes and Numicon as well as practising writing numbers in words to ten. We had a fantastic visit from Horsham Museum. We got to handle artefacts such as fossilised squid tubes and seas urchins. We got to dig for bones, excavating carefully with brushes. We learnt about Iguanodons and Mary Anning, and got to hold fossilised Iquanodon bones. They were surprisingly heavy!





Beech

Horsham Museum came to visit us on our first day back. The children had so many questions and enjoyed handling fossils and becoming fossil hunters! We have been learning about the different theories of how the dinosaurs became extinct. We had a debate and had to explain why we thought it was one theory or another. In D.T. and science we have been exploring objects and pneumatics! The children were trying to work out how this investigation linked to the making of our volcanoes and islands. In English we have been editing and writing up our work in neat, giving us the opportunity to show off our handwriting. In maths we have been exploring fractions within word problems and how to show halves and quarters different ways. We also used equipment to demonstrate finding a fraction of a quantity. In dance we acted out the last scene of extinction and the children had to show their travelling skills learned in gymnastics.



All dressed up for World Book Day.

Holly

This week we have shared the book Varmints. We described the fantastic illustrations, acted out scenes and discussed character emotions. We have begun to plan and draft diaries from the point of view of the main creature. In maths, we have continued to focus on properties of shapes. We have discussed the types and differences between triangles and

have also looked at symmetry. Mr Pitt is still waiting for an answer to the question 'how many lines of symmetry does a circle have?' For World Book Day, we shared our favourite stories from as early as we could remember to current choices. We then presented our drawings and explanations as a 'reading journey' page.

Silver Birch

Silver Birch have been incredibly busy over the last couple of weeks! Last week, the class hosted their art exhibition to showcase all of the Egyptian artwork.



On display were the children's masks, mini sarcophagi and royal hats. In preparation, the children created leaflets to help guide visitors around. Each class that

visited were amazed by the standard and listened intently to the information they were given.



This week, the children conducted a science investigation that show their understanding of the difference between the terms 'weigh' and 'mass'. At first the children found it tricky but, after some very practical examples involving cuddly toys and balls, they were able to explain very clearly. The class then used Newton metres to measure the mass and weight of different objects.

World Book Day

We had a fantastic day on Thursday celebrating reading. the focus was on sharing stories and the children were asked to share stories at different times to different people and pets! There were some magnificent costumes and we started the day with a talk about reading and a parade.



The classes did different activities during the day as well as shared reading in house teams.





Our thanks to the Friends of Bolney for funding the opportunity

for every child to listen to, and work with, author Jo Simmons today. Jo commented on what a dynamic school we are - and that was at 9am! - and by 3pm she was able to comment on the fantastic contributions the children had made to discussions and what brilliant questions they asked.

It was lovely to see so many books being purchased after school and if you missed out, but would still like one, we do have a few copies of each title left although they will be unsigned.

Worship and Lent

We are using a resource from the Diocese of Chichester to explore Lent over the next few weeks called "The Remarkables". Linked to this is a resource with lots activities for home, called The Incredibles. A link to this can be found on our website:

https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/collective_worship/32236

Netball tournament

Here is Daisy's netball report:
On Tuesday 5th March we went to
a netball tournament at the
Triangle, it was very challenging.
We played 7 matches and won 3
of them. We think the 'man' of the
match should be Mia for always
trying to get into a space. We
would like to thank Mrs Green for
coaching us and parents and
carers for transporting us.

As always the children showed great respect and sportsmanship and represented the school really well.

Fundraising for Zoe's friend

Thank-you so much for supporting the school council's idea to raise money for the Transverse Myelitis Society following Zoe's fantastic fundraising by completing the Brighton half marathon. We raised £113. In assembly to day Edward read a lovely email from Zoe's friend thanking the school.

Trips and Visitors

We have two exciting visits arranged for this half term.
Kieran's mum, in her role as a vet, and a veterinary nurse will be talking to the children next week about their work, the skills they

use and how these link with what the children learn at school. We thank Mrs Barton very much for starting our visits from local people to share work experiences.

The artist and presenter Alison Lapper MBE is visiting us on March 26th to talk with the children about her life. A big thank-you to Mrs Brunt for organising this.

If you wold like to come and share your work experiences with the children please let Zoe know.

Values trophies

The values trophies were awarded to:



The whole school for being the best they can be



and to Willow class for good listening.



Ollie and Max for showing love by being kind.

Here are the missing photos of the previous awardees:



Jack and Freddie



Harry and Mrs Wood

Key dates for your diary

Parent Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 12th March 3.15 – 6.00 Thursday 14th March 3.15 – 6.00 Willow and Beech class - Monday 28th March 1.15 – 2.45 Holly and Silver Birch class - Tuesday 19th March 1.15 – 2.45

Bolney Horticultural Society Spring Show

Saturday 23rd March – we are entering our bulbs!

Maths Parents Workshops

Tuesday 2nd April at 1.30 to 2.45 and again from 6.00 to 7.15pm

Friends of Bolney Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 4th April at 2.30pm Parents and younger siblings welcome

End of Spring Term

Friday 5th April 2019

Summer Term Starts

Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Easter Service

St Mary Magdalene church Tuesday 23rd April at 2.15pm

Friends of Bolney - Bolney Ball

Saturday 27th April at the Rawson Hall

Summer Half Term

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2019

Sports Morning

- whole school Thursday 20th June from 9.15am

Worth Abbey Y6 leavers service

Y6 parents are welcome 11th July at 10.45

End of Summer Term

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

2018-19 Inset Days

Monday 25th February 2019 Monday 3rd June 2019 Monday 8th July 2019

Thank-you all for your continued support with all that we do.

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School