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Newsletter 29

Dear Parents/Carers

Friday 3rd May 2024

It has been another busy week in school, with many bugs hunted, seen, found and drawn. Also, the sound of music as the different classes practice their maypole dances ready for our afternoon of celebrations on Friday 17th May. The school gates will be open from 1.30 to welcome you all on site to join us. More information will follow in the coming weeks. Mr Reeves will be joining us for part of this celebration.

Year 3 and 4 Performance – Rockbottom

Well done to all the children in Year 3 and 4 for their BRILLIANT performances this week of their production. It was great to see the engagement and amount of learning that has gone into it. Thank you to all the staff, for the props, practices and the amazing make up. Thank you to parents and extended families that attended as the audience. It was lovely to hear your feedback on all the children's hard work.

Whole Class Music Session

A BIG Thank you to the PTFA who have agreed to fund a peripatetic teacher to teach whole class music to the Key Stage 1 classes. The children will have lessons on a Wednesday afternoon. We hope they enjoy this learning opportunity. The equipment needed will be supplied by school.

Over the rest of the term, we will be welcoming Reverend Sarah into school to support our in class worship sessions, based on our school values. This term is the value of Friendship.

School Run afterschool Clubs

The different clubs run by staff start next week, please check the sheet shared by the office for days and times. If your child would still like to join a club, please contact the office who will be able to let you know availability.

Don't forget to order the Educaterers Special Winnie the Pooh Menu - Thursday 16th May.

- Piglet's Hot Dog (G, SU) served with Heffalump's potato wedges, baked beans, Rabbit's salad or garden vegetables.
- (V) Eeyore's favourite pizza swirl (G, D) served with Heffalump's potato wedges, baked beans, Rabbit's salad, or garden vegetables
- Jacket Potato with beans.
- Jacket Potato with cheese.
- Jacket Potato with beans & cheese.
- Jacket Potato with tuna mayo.



Chenderit School Sports Events

Match Report - THEY WON!!!

On Thursday afternoon, a team of 8 children from years 4 and 5 – Monty, Ted, Henry-James, Harry J, Darcy, Rosie, and Edie – participated in a cricket festival at Chenderit School. The event was organised by Tamsyn King and supervised by her sports leadership students.

Some children were regular cricket players, while others were new to the sport. The team's remarkable spirit was truly commendable, as each member supported and encouraged one another with great enthusiasm.

The team played three games: against King Sutton Primary, Middleton Cheney Year 5s, and Middleton Cheney Year 6s. Not all stats were recorded, but standout performances included Monty's 2 catches, 4 wickets, and impressive runs. Rory showcased excellent bowling and took a remarkable catch. Ted had a superb stumping, hit a 6, and several 4s. Edie excelled with 2 wickets, fast running, and strong bowling. Harry's bowling got better and better, and he batted well. Rosie stood out with her exceptional bowling skills. Darcy was a supportive team player, offering loud encouragement along with solid performance. Henry-James showed exceptional talent in both batting and bowling even though he is new to the game.

The children were proud to have won all three games, leading them to victory in the tournament!

We thank the parents for taking them to this event which they truly enjoyed and for Mrs Cherry for her fab coaching and organising the team.

Next week, Thursday 9th May, is Chenderit Schools Yr 3/4 quadkids athletics festival, 3.45pm arrival, 4pm start, 5.30pm finish. 5 girls and 5 boys make up a team, although less can come and participate, they just are unlikely to then win the overall team competition. Every child will run 75m, 400m, do a standing long jump and throw a vortex. Please can you let the school office know by Tuesday 7th 12pm if your child would like to attend so we can inform Chenderit.

Date for the dairy, Chenderit Schools Yr 5/6 quadkids athletics festival is on Thursday 16th May, times are the same, again please let the office know so we can liaise with Mrs King at Chenderit.

Please accept our apologies for an oversight in our round up of information from the KS2 Racket Sports a name was missed off as part of the group of children who attend. Well done, Oscar F-D.

Out of school Achievements

It has been lovely to see the variety and range of awards brought into school to be shared.

Evie G-F competed at Bignell Park Hunter Trials on Sunday in the 40cm Assisted class. She and Fancy came 2nd in a huge class of 30, with the style judge complimenting her on canter rhythm.

William G and his dad Wayne did the sleep out on 1/3/23 which was a very cold night.



They raised £230 from the event and dads work will match the donations, it so £460 for a great cause!

On Friday William received his ruby badge for hitting our target and a second blue badge for getting over £100.

Hannah H achieved her 5th KYU form Shukokai Karate Association, having proved herself to be of high ability, proficiency, and character.

Marty C received player of the match for the last game of the session - scoring a hat trick for his team Lighthorne Heath. Marty has also secured a trial for an academy football club in the next two weeks!

Congratulations to **Harry J** for receiving a Rossette and medal for competing in the Bicester and Waden Hill pony club Hunter trials with his Mum on the Big course, Well done, Harry.

Please send any out of school achievements information to the office. Thank you.

Next Week in School

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Education lesson for Year 2
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ed Hudson Music Lessons • Physical Education lesson for Year 1 • Music Lesson Yr1 (Whole Class)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming Year 6 • Forest School Sessions for Cygnets and Year 3 • Physical Education lesson for Year 2, Year 1, Year 5, and Year 4 (Year 1 and Year 2 are learning their Maypole dance together) • Reverend Sarah leading Class Assembly for Cygnets
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Education lesson for Cygnets

Dates for Your Diary

Parents and carers will have received planned dates for the rest of the academic year. Some events will be added to these once confirmed and this will be communicated via the newsletter. We hope that the advance notice of events is helpful.

Upcoming dates

MAY

13 th – 16 th	KS2 SATS for Year 6
14 th	Year 2 Visit to Tooley's Boatyard
17 th	PTFA – May Day Celebration – 1.30pm – All Welcome
20 th – 24 th	Year 6 Residential – Barton Hall
24 th	End of Summer 1 Half Term

Friday 17th May
1:30 - 3:30
Family & Friends Welcome

Ice Lollies and Drinks available

May Day
Celebrations and Picnic

Children's Maypole
Dancing Display

BYO Picnic, blanket or chairs and Garden Games

Friends of Creopredy School

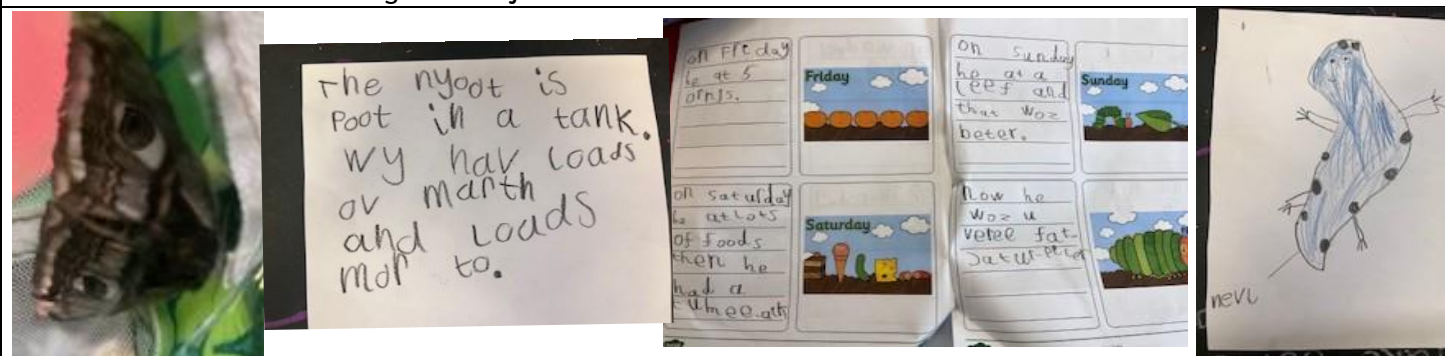
Our Week of Learning

Cygnets

Golden Rules	Savannah B
Stars	<p>Ralph H– For fantastic independent writing, writing his very own version of ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’. A super effort!</p> <p>Layla-Mae H – for a fantastic retelling of ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’, most impressive as it was independent writing! Keep it up!</p>

This week Cygnets have enjoyed looking after lots of different animals! Alongside our eggs in the incubator, this week, thanks to Samuel’s mum we also had Neville the Newt! We have loved drawing pictures of him and trying to spot him in the terrarium! Also this week, we looked after Martha the Moth, who was found on the Year 1 fence. We loved making observational drawings of each other these creatures.

Also, this week we read ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’. We drew the food that he ate and wrote amazing sentences too. Mrs French and Miss Godsell are so proud of how far our writing has come! We also had some amazing independent writing this week, with children retelling the story of the hungry caterpillar. Next week we will be looking at each stage of the caterpillar life-cycle. In PE the children started to learn their maypole dance for our May Day celebrations. We are excited to share this with you in a few weeks!



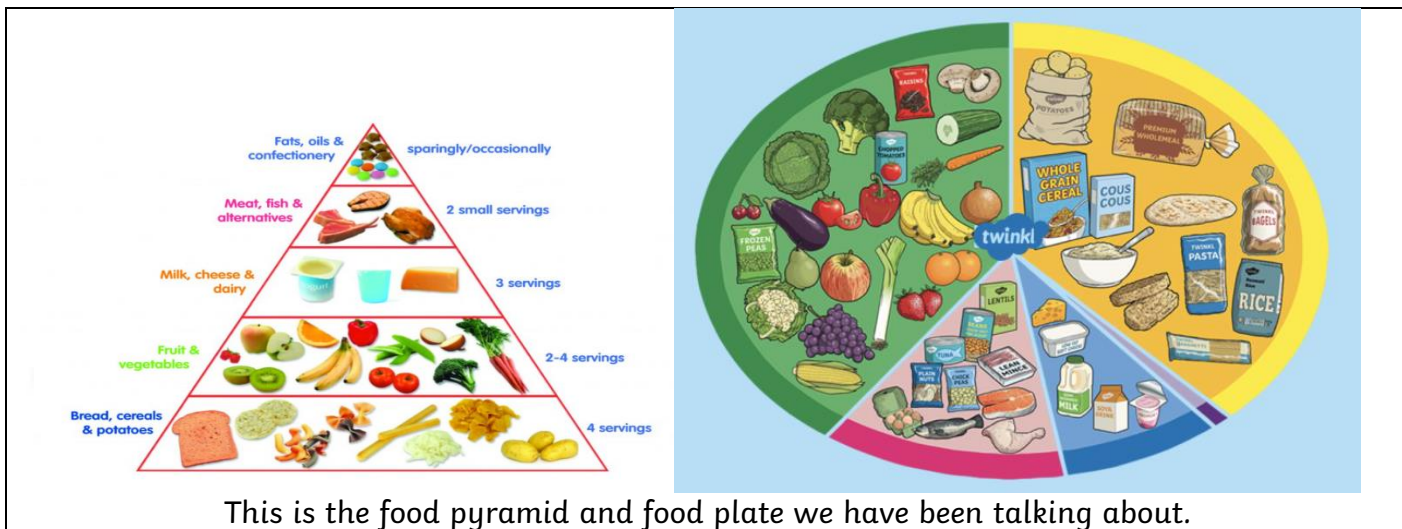
Year 1

Golden Rules	George W
Stars	<p>Huxley B for working hard on his phonics knowledge this week, as we look at the alternative sounds to grow the grow the code.</p> <p>Noah B for great focus and concentration across English and Maths this week. Well Done, Keep it up!</p>

Wow a busy week in Year 1, we have been writing our stories, using our own ideas to think about old fashioned toys. This has spilled over into our creating and modelling using the junk modelling. The children have made aeroplanes, homes for bears, dolls houses and trumpets. They had great fun working out how to fix items together and how they stayed attached to each other.

As part of our PSHE topic this week we have been discussing likes and dislikes in our food choices. This is building on our work looking at a healthy diet and how often we should eat certain things. The children have shown a vast knowledge of what to eat and how much.

In art we are learning how to use water colour paints to create a scene. Next week we will be adding more details, blending the different colours.



This is the food pyramid and food plate we have been talking about.

Year 2

Golden Rules	Bella B
Stars	<p>Marty C for fabulous effort and contributions in maths lessons. He has shown great focus and has worked hard to challenge himself.</p> <p>Miles P for showing perseverance and careful thinking when completing his fraction work.</p>

We have had some truly fantastic writing in Year 2 this week! I have been incredibly proud of their progress and am sure this will continue throughout the term. We have been working on writing effective sentences for The Secret of Black Rock and more than once have they knocked me off my feet! We can't wait to share them with you all.

They have also worked well in Maths when finding fractions of whole numbers. Next week we will begin looking at time so if you find the opportunity to incorporate this into your daily routine it would really help. Some children have been showing their skills in class already! We have been investigating minibeasts in Science and went on a Bug Hunt this week. There were lots on microhabitats and plenty of creatures to discover. Of course, this class love sharing their own knowledge with others and have been telling me lots of facts about insects and arachnids that they have found. Plenty of our children seem to have pet spiders!

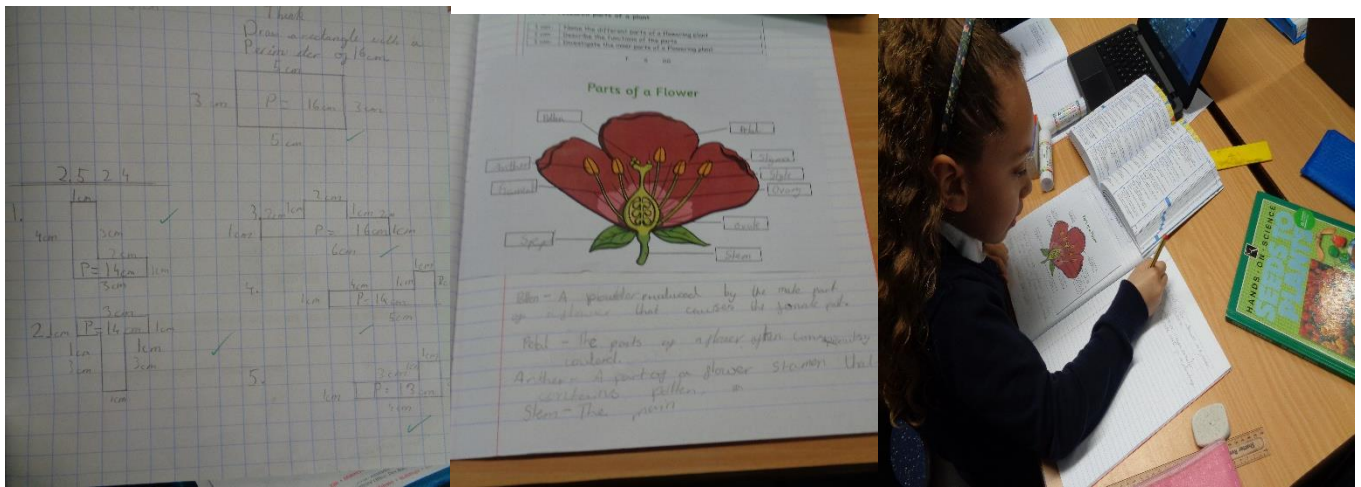


Year 3

Golden Rules	Iris R
Stars	All of Year 3 for a fantastic, amazing, superb performance of 'Rock Bottom!' I was so immensely proud of you all.

We have had a very exciting time this week putting on our performance 'Rock Bottom'. All the children were absolutely amazing in their performances, remembering all their lines and remembering when to come on and off. They worked so hard and it all paid off as they produced a fantastic performance – we hope you all enjoyed it! In Science this week, we have continued with our Plants topic and became botanists on Friday when we dissected a flower to research all the parts and their functions. In Maths, we finished our measuring topic by looking

at perimeter or shape. All the children were very precise and accurate in their drawing of the shapes and accurately calculating the perimeter, using their addition skills. In Topic, the children used different sources to research the different features of the rainforest, such as the people who live there, the medicinal plants that are used, as well as the climate and food that grows there.



Year 4

Golden Rules

Sienna C

Stars

**The whole of Year 4 for each of their performances in the play!
You were AMAZING!**

We have had a very exciting week this week. The children performed brilliantly in the play for the parents. They had to learn so many lines; think about the timings of delivery (especially the jokes); actions as well as the acting; the manipulating of all the props; when to come on and off; as well as all the song lyrics and actions. All their hard work really paid off and we were really proud of them. Just imagine what their Year 5&6 production will be like if they are this good already.

On top of this we had a science day on Tuesday that the children loved. We made electrical series circuits using bulbs, buzzers and motors. The children learned how to fix an incomplete circuit and how to draw diagrams of what they had done. They also made their own toggle, slide and selector switches using cardboard, paperclips, bulldog clips and split pins.

During topic sessions this week we have been looking at inventors and all of the children made paper cup telephones. They were amazing.

We are extremely proud of how well the class are learning all the multiplication facts. They are getting quicker at recalling the answer and are looking so much more confident. Well done!



Year 5

Golden Rules	Rosie D
Stars	Eadie D for excellent understanding of the origins of Islam in RE Darcie T for working hard (and succeeding) to catch up after being ill

This week year 5 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Black Country Living Museum in Dudley to enhance our learning on Victorians. We kicked off our day with a unique workshop on pewter casting where the children got to work with molten pewter to make a wonderful model of either a guitar, motorbike, or bus. Straight after that, we went down a mine for a grippingly authentic adventure. It was pitch black down there and we experienced the sounds and smells of a working mine with torches that replicated the candlelight that would have been used at the time. Occasionally there were rumbles and flashes of light which illuminated figures and the accompanying recordings of voices explained the perils of the job in the miners' own words, using local dialect. It was an exciting and at times scary experience, but we all survived. The children also enjoyed looking at a selection of house and shop interiors from across the years and they particularly enjoyed the old-fashioned sweet shop where fruit pips, lemon Sherbets and strawberry bon bons were bought in abundance. A truly fantastic day which I'm sure the children will remember for years to come!



Friday 3rd May 2014

WALT: write to instruct	
I can	use precise language using 2 nd person
I can	include verbs, adverbs and conjunctions to make my writing flow
I can	use parenthesis and modal verbs where needed to add detail
I can	organise my writing into paragraphs to guide the reader
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How to make a pewter cast model.

Have you ever seen molten metal this is only one of the benefits of making a pewter model.

You will need.

- Apron (but not like your mums it needs to be leather)
- visor
- gloves
- molten metal (in a heavy electric cauldron)
- plywood metal moulds
- allen key/screw driver
- 2 plywood moulds (You'd think they'd catch fire but they only get a bit singed).



How to make it.

1) You need to choose between a bus mould, a motorbike mould or a guitar mould.

2) After that, sandwich the moulds together and screw them. Make sure you do it tightly with the picture template in the middle.

3) Next, put your apron, visor and gloves on, ready for action.

4) Then, gently pour the metal into your mould and wait for about five minutes for the metal to solidify and cool.

5) When it's cool, slowly unscrew the mould part and take the shing, new model out.

6) Finally, when you've got it out. Carefully snap the holding stick of and voila, You have a pewter cast model.

You now have a decoration for your house, a keyring or a brand new toy. Enjoy!

Year 6

Golden Rules

Oliver L

Stars

Reenie B for producing simply outstanding writing over the past week in English. Reenie's writing has been both atmospheric and laden with tension; utilising the taught skills and writing techniques. Well done Reenie – you should be very proud!

Yours sincerely,
Cropredy School SLT

PTFA Update

Scarecrow Trail Entry Form

Please find below the entry form for the Fairport Cropredy Scarecrow Trail.



Scarecrow Trail 2024

ENTRY FORM

Thank you for taking part in the famous Fairport Cropredy Scarecrow Trail for
8th – 10th August 2024

Have fun with this year's theme **RIVERPORT** – celebrating life in and around
our rivers & canals

Complete & return your entry form to:

Email to: cropredyscarecrowtrail@gmail.com

Or deliver to:

Northend, ~~Creampot~~ Lane, Cropredy OX17 1NT

Or Cropredy Primary School Reception

Deadline: 31st July 2024

These details will be in the voting form available during Fairport

Scarecrow Name: _____

Address: _____

*(We would love as many pupils from the school to take part as well as
neighbouring villages. **If you live in a neighbouring village we would love you
to join in and we will find you a host home in Cropredy, the more the merrier**)*

Please put your scarecrow in place by 9:00 a.m. on Thursday 8th August.

For administration purposes only:

Name: _____.

Telephone: _____.

Email: _____.

Children involved (11 and under) _____

Your creative support is much appreciated, and will help to raise funds for Cropredy Primary School via the PTFA Friends of Cropredy (charity #:1175803)

Trail Maps and voting forms will be available from various locations around the village during the festival (8th – 10th August) in exchange for a donation to the PTFA. Fundraising page details to follow.

Please let us know if you would like to be a mobile seller for trail maps while you explore the festival and we can provide a Trail Map selling kit.

We will be promoting the trail through local social media channels and press releases to create as much local interest alongside festival goers.

Results of voting announced on Saturday afternoon on the Fairport Festival field and via Social Media

Prizes for winning scarecrows & luck dip prizes for those voting.

Fund raising this year for Friends of Cropredy PTFA

