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The Dassett News - 2nd October 2026

This Week:- Leaves have been awarded to the following children. The certificates will be given out in Celebration Assembly on Monday morning. Well done all of you.

Hedgehogs (Reception)	Owls (Year 1)	Squirrels (Year 2)	Bears (Year 3/4)	Badgers (Year 5/6)
Autumn	Nathan	Molly	Amber	Martha
			Sophie	Alex

Reception— Despite being hit by illness this week the children have had another great week of learning. We have been orally segmenting words using our arms as we toy talk to Robot Rick to ask him what food he would like. The children have learned the letter sounds t and p – they are really enjoying the songs that go with them. In maths we have continued at looking at the number 3, playing the conker game, dropping a handful of conkers onto paper and circling three! We have also been looking at quantifying amounts by counting, instead of subitising. The children have met Counting Cow and have been helping her as she struggles to remember the rules of counting. The children are becoming more familiar with the language and settings of traditional tales as we have explored the Three Little Pigs and Little Red Riding Hood. We have also begun to read alternative versions, The Three Horrid Pigs and the Big Friendly Wolf. The children are very good at spotting what is the same and what is different in the story. We have continued to explore rhyme as we learned new verses of Hickory Dickory Dock, using a beater and a chime to sound out the appropriate time on the clock. We have been learning about the signs of Autumn, the children were very excited to see a small pumpkin in the curiosity cube! I hope you all have a restful weekend, especially those children who have been poorly this week.





Year 1 -We have had a wonderful week in Owls class. As you may have seen on Class Dojo, the children have been impressing me with their fantastic writing in English. They have all written their own sentences to describe their trolls. We are getting to grips with remembering capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and remembering to write on the lines! In maths we have been very busy! We have worked hard on comparing amounts, using the language or more, less, greater than, smaller than and equal to. Through a range of practical activities, we have compared groups of objects and then used the q symbol. We remember that the crocodile always wants to eat the biggest number so it always facing that way! We have also been introduced to number lines which we will continue next week. In History we have been working with Year 2 to compare and rank a range of historically significant people! The classroom was humming with discussion as the children put their own views across, comparing the impact that people like Neil Armstrong and Rosa Parks have had on the world. The children loved colours day, it was wonderful to see them working across year groups to design a new emblem for their house colour!





Year 2— Lots of great learning in year 2 this week. In English we have been writing a retell of our book 'Troll Swap' and there's lots of lovely writing going on. Maths has been looking at comparing and ordering objects and numbers. We made a class number line and played a dice game to practice forming and comparing numbers. In science we went on a woodlice hunt. We looked in different areas of the outdoor area and thought about why we were only seeing them in particular places. PSHE was talking about consequences and recapping what we do in school to help pupils follow the rules. Reading lessons have been about poetry this week and we've delved into the structure of poetry. Music was listening to Trepak from the Nutcracker and talking about the tempo and then singing a dinosaur song. In computing we have looked at accessing 2Dos on Purple Mash and in history we have been discussing significant individuals.

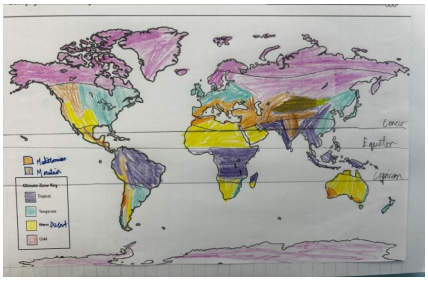


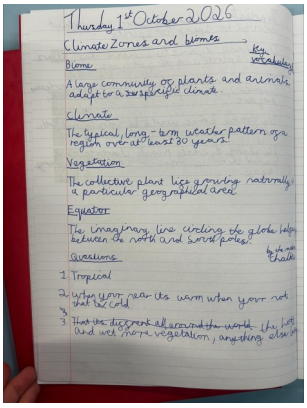




Year 3/4– This week in English, we focused on *Counting on Katherine*, the inspiring story of mathematician Katherine Johnson, who overcame segregation in the United States during the 1960s and played a key role in calculating Apollo 11's moon landing flight plan. We also completed a series of grammar exercises based on the text. In maths, we have been comparing and ordering numbers up to four digits, and we have started learning how to round to the nearest ten and hundred. In French, we learned the names of different colours and practised sentences to share our preferences. Computing built on our work on identity from the previous week, as we thought about what children should and should not share in an online profile. In music, we used instruments to develop and practise our current unit song. In history, we explored the changes in climate, settlement, art, tools and technology across the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic eras through a sorting activity in pairs, followed by a whole-class discussion. In PSHE, we looked at the UN as an organisation, as well as children's rights and responsibilities in and around school. In science, we studied nutrition and thought about how to design a questionnaire to collect data about dietary intake (see homework).

Year 5/6 - We have had a busy week in Badgers class with scientific experiments investigating water resistance. Completing our first unit in Maths of place value and writing a narrative about being taken to a camp during WW2. We were concentrating on adding noun phrases and dialogue. We have enjoyed being Geographers looking at climates across the world. Identifying where the equator is and how the climate changes in comparison to a places distance from the equator. On Friday, in history, we analysed the importance of Bronze in The Chinese Shang Dynasty by analysing how weapons and vessels were made by the king in order to keep control and power within his kingdom. At the end of the week we had a fantastic carousel of invasion games in PE.





Open Day

On Tuesday 3rd November we will be holding our open day. If your child is starting school next September or if you know anyone who would like to visit please share the poster attached. Many thanks.

Team Colour Day

On Wednesday we enjoyed an afternoon with our respective House Groups producing and competing for new logo designs. It was lovely to see all the children mixing so well across year groups in their all new teams.









Next Week

Monday 5th October—Special menu. World Space Week. Children can choose from Rocket Dog (sausage wrapped in pastry) or Pizza Planet both served with Moonwalk Wedges, Cosmic Corn, Blast off Beans or Solar Salad. Dessert is a choice of Meteor Swirl Frozen Mousse or Star Burst Iced Sponge. Lunch can be booked on the day.

Tuesday 6th October—Recycling assembly

Tuesday 6th October—Pantomime. This afternoon we will be watching a production of Robin Hood. This performance has been enjoyed over the last few years. We would welcome a contribution of £2 per child.

Thursday 8th October—Reception and Year 6 height and weight checks. All parents/carers will have received information about this.

Friday 9th October—Hello Yellow Day—please wear something yellow today to mark mental health day

Coming Up

Monday 12th October—Celebration assembly will be at the normal time of 9.00am.

Tuesday 13th October—Special menu. Roald Dahl Day. Children can choose from Georges' Marvellous Meatballs with wormwood noodles or Mosquitos' Toes and Wampfish Rose most delicately formed into Vegetable fingers with Crabcruncher diced potatoes serviced with Trunchball vegetables or Snozz Vegetable sticks. Dessert is a choice of Bruce Bogtrotter's Chocolate Cake or Bunces Doughnuts.

Tuesday 13th October—Return forms for Myton Hospice

Wednesday 14th October— Photographs—individual photographs of class members and their siblings. If you would like family group photos with pre-school children please let the office know.

Friday 16th October—The Friends of The Dassett AGM is being held in the hall at 2.30pm. The current Chair, Treasurer and Secretary will be stepping down so these positions are available. The Friends has raised money over the years to subsidise school trips, pantomimes and PE equipment/lessons by organising film nights, disco's, fairs etc. All money raised is very much appreciated by school and we would be sad to see this go. If you would like to get involved either in a role, committee member or helper please do come along to the AGM.

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Myton Hospice Assembly



On Tuesday, Rachel from Myton Hospice came to talk to the children about the work nurses do. Children are invited to take part in "Sponsor a Nurse for a Week" initiative. They have bought home the information today. Please return forms and any sponsorship money by Tuesday 13th October. Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

Governors

We currently have vacancies on our governing board for a parent governor. As a parent governor, you'll help shape our school's strategic direction, support the headteacher, and ensure we deliver outstanding education while making the most of our resources. If you would like any further information please contact Miss Corry, Mr Hackett or Mr Jeffrey our Chair of Governors. Please see attached application form.

Uniform

We are starting to collect some lost property. Please can you ensure that all uniform is labelled. Many thanks

Warwickshire Family Information Service

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies

Please see link above for their newsletter.

Modification Order of Memorial Road Footpath

Please find attached information regarding Warwickshire County Council's notice of a modification order concerning its plan to reinstate the footpath across the field on to the definitive map. The school and the local community currently have an agreement, as part of an existing covenant, that the field is opened for access when there are no children on the school site. We believe this arrangement is working successfully for all parties and, most importantly, enables the safeguarding of all students using The Dassett School site, whether they are school pupils, Abacus Nursery children or Dassett Care Club users. If the modification order is enforced, there would need to be considerable rearrangements to break times, lunch times, PE lessons and forest school activities. We invite parents to read through the documentation and, if they have any concerns or observations, to write to: The Strategic Director, Communities Group, Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall, Warwick CV34 4SX.

Well done to all the children for their hard work throughout the week. We wish you all a restful weekend and look forward to seeing you all next.

from Miss Corry, Mr Hackett and All at The Dassett!