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This Week:- Leaves have been awarded to the following children. The certificates will be given out in assembly on Friday this week due to the bank holiday on Monday. Well done all of you.



Hedgehogs (Reception)	Squirrels (Year 1/2)	Bears (Year 3/4)	Badgers (Year 5/6)
Hazel	William	Alex	Toto
	Tommy	Georgia	Whole class



Reception—In phonics we have been practicing writing sentences with CCVC words and writing our Level 3 tricky words and words that can trick us like ‘with’ and ‘is’. This week maths we have been practising our counting with things that can’t be touched such as claps, jumps and tambourine shakes. We have played the game



6 and not 6 to practise our subitizing and in the outside area, seeing how many out of 6 skittles we could knock over. In PE the children have been practising athletics, last week they impressed Mr. Stops so much with their track running that this week they progressed to running a relay with a baton! We are still waiting patiently for our sunflower seeds to germinate and have been reading the story ‘Sam Plants a Sunflower’ and trying be patient just like him! Some of the pots have seed casings in but no seedlings so we think the birds may still be eating seeds. We found some bird feeders and washed them so we can feed the birds and hopefully they will leave out seeds alone! In music the children started our Topic ‘Big Bear Funk’ with Miss Corry over the course of the coming weeks will listen and appraise lots of different Funk music. The writing and collage the children did last week has made a lovely display in the corridor that will hopefully remind everyone how to stay safe in the sun.

Year 1/2— It may have been a shorter week than normal, but we still managed to squeeze a lot of learning in! In English we have been planning and writing our own alternative endings to ‘The Storm Whale’. I was so impressed with the creativity and imagination displayed in the children’s writing as well as their ability to follow a success criterion to ensure their writing was the best it could be. In maths we have continued to explore money. The children have particularly enjoyed the role play shop where they have been able to use coins and notes to buy different items and work out the change. We had a wonderful Geography lesson where the children were working on their compass directions. Using a large chalk drawing of the United Kingdom (thank you Mrs Boswell!) the children had to respond to compass directions in order to move from town to town. In Science we completed a mini-investigation where we explored how different materials moved by bending, stretching, twisting and squashing them. We had some fabulous discussions about different materials and lots of scientific vocabulary was observed. In DT we have started to experiment with materials to explore how a structure can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.



Year 3/4—Writing abridged versions of The Legend of Podkin One Ear has been our English focus this week, seeking to consolidate some of the structure and punctuation skills we have been learning year to date. In maths, we have continued with our time studies (analogue to digital, 12-24 hours etc.), in addition to practising our tables knowledge (2, 5, 10, 3 & 4s). In PSHE we looked at love and loss (from misplacing things up to and including bereavements), whilst in RE we learnt about the story of Pentecost and the Holy Spirit imbuing the disciplines with ability and courage to speak in foreign tongues. Our history looked at the timelines and geography of invasions to Britain from the Angles, Saxons, Jutes, Vikings and Normans. In PE, we have continued with athletics (running - sprints and 400m), and Dance with Dani (rainforest topic). Science saw us studying the root and stem functions of plants. Whole class reading and a session about VE Day have also taken place.



Year 5/6 - A focus on SATs revision and working on key skills and knowledge for year 5 this week but children have been working really hard and we've had some time for some extra breaks out on the field. Lots of practice questions, revision games and some new learning on algebra in our maths lessons. We also carried out a science experiment looking at which coffee cup was the best thermal insulator. We measured the temperature across the afternoon and will use the results to inform a future thermal insulation enquiry. Our week ended by turning the classroom into the Traitors den. Children were assigned different roles— traitors and faithful. The traitors had to stop the class from achieving the correct answers in their Maths challenges. Whilst the faithful were trying to spot those sabotaging their work. The children engaged in some great Maths discussion and the children were generally able to identify the traitors. I was amazed at the sneakiness and cunning of some of our pupils. We have worked so hard on our SATS preparation over the past few weeks. Well done to the Year 5s for being supportive of our Year 6 pupils throughout! We are really proud of all our Year 6s and have no doubt that in next week's SATS they will show their absolute best. We hope they all have a fabulous weekend . Get plenty of rest and sleep well. We will see you all next week for SATS breakfast!

Year 6—Monday—Thursday only

Doors will open to Year 6 children only at 8.30am, Monday—Thursday next week so that the children can come in for a relaxed breakfast, which will be provided. Please see Seesaw for more details. Please use the usual classroom door.



Music Assembly

Thank you to all those parents/carers who joined us on Wednesday for our music assembly. Well done to all the children who played either drums, ukulele, guitar, recorder, piano or flute. Thank you to Kris, Zach, Jon and Lisa our music teachers for being available to support the children playing. If you are



interested in your child having music lessons, please contact Mrs Boyle in the office and she will forward you the relevant contact details, alternatively they are on our website.



Next Week

Monday 12th May—There will be no celebration assembly today due to Year 6 taking their SATS. Celebration Assembly will be held on Friday 16th May at 9.00am.

Week commencing 12th May—Year 6 SATS

Thursday 15th May—Special Around the World Menu. Children can choose from either cheese burger or fish fillet finger served with Italian 'Patate al Forno' (Garlic and herb diced potatoes served with Petit Pois (peas) or Salade Verte (green salad). Dessert will be a choice of Belgium Waffle with chocolate sauce or Jam Sponge and custard. Children can order lunch on the day.

Coming Up

Monday 19th May—Year 5/6 Climate workshop

Week commencing 19th May—iSingPop workshops which are leading to a concert

Thursday 22nd May—Concert performed by the children at Burton Dassett Church at 6pm

Monday 26th—Friday 30th May—Half term



VE Day

On Thursday we had a celebration lunch to commemorate 80 years VE Day. The hall was decorated in bunting and union jacks and the children listened to music from the 1940s. In their classes, the children learned about the reasons why we have VE day and the teachers shared their knowledge with them. The children learned about WW2 and the main events that led up to the allied victory in 1945. The children really enjoyed their picnic lunch. Thank you to Mrs Warner and Miss Davis for making our VE Day Street Party menu.



Music Award

Well done to Clara for working extremely hard at her flute this term and making huge progress. She has put in 100% effort and shown real determination to do. She has been a FABULOUS vice captain, always organised and taking responsibility in recorder group.

Family Information Service

Please see link for the newsletter this week.

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8828973?e=d04d9d2ed5>



Have a lovely extended weekend—from Miss Corry and All at The Dassett