

Dear Parents,

It is wonderful to be underway with the Summer term and I hope you enjoyed the fabulous sunshine over Easter. There have been some changes in DFE advice and procedures over the holiday period but our main COVID procedures remain in place to ensure school remains a safe environment for all. We will be able to have more visitors to school to support the curriculum and assist educational provision.

We are delighted that we will be offering some intensive swimming tuition this term for years three and four. The offer will be five consecutive afternoons of swimming tuition at the Truro pool and a comprehensive risk assessment has been carried out. The government has recently permitted inter school competition but at present we have not risk assessed any opportunities or discussed this with local schools. At present we have no permission to invite parents to events but are considering ways we could share these virtually.

This term we will have a more consistent period to teach and assess the children in their classes. Written reports will be shared in June. If you are concerned about your child at any point please continue to use the Seesaw platform. This has really worked well to bridge the gap in communications with the class teacher during lock down and staff are checking the platform regularly.

The school has begun using the Charanga programme for weekly music lessons and instrumental tuition will commence in the next week for the violin students. Many thanks to everyone who has supported the development of our allotment. The children and staff are very excited about this area and with your support it will be a fabulous area.

Pod Popping Moments



Acorns Class

Reception have settled back into school beautifully. We have started our topic of 'Are Carrots Orange?' and have dived straight in with some planting of potatoes! The children are excited to see what happens to our potatoes now that they have been planted.

Willow Class



Willow Class held their topic launch day on Tuesday this week. Our lovely new topic is called 'The Enchanted woodland'. We had an amazing day!! We loved spending all day outside searching for minibeasts, planting beans and making pictures of creepy crawlies using natural materials we collected. We even spotted a tiny door in a tree...we are hoping to see who lives there soon.

Beech Class



Beech class collected their clip boards and set off to be entomologists for the day. They unscrambled insect names, collected ideas about each one, went on a mini beast hunt, joined insect names together to make new insects and make them using clay and natural materials and welcomed Probus School's new bug hotel (A big thank you to Mrs Jones's Dad!). Well done Beech Class.

Rowan Class



This week in Rowan we have been looking at food chains. The children have really impressed us and they now know that all energy starts with the primary producers (usually green plants) when they make their own food from sunlight, air and water using photosynthesis. We have started to use scientific language such as producers, consumers, predator and prey and even created our own food chain with themselves (human) as predators and consumers.

Birch Class



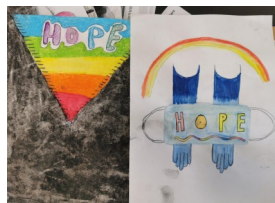
This week we have launched ourselves into our topic 'I am Warrior!'. We used a timeline to chronologically order key Roman events, designed and created shields and devised our own invasion games.

Maple Class



This week, children in Maple class have learnt facts about Cleopatra and began to organise their writing for an information text. They have also learnt about where Egypt is and the importance of the Nile River. In this image, we can see children learning brush techniques for watercolour painting.

Oak Class



This week, the class have produced artwork for the TRLC Virtual Gallery. During the lesson, we looked at Banksy and discussed the meaning behind his pieces.

Using the word 'Hope', the children used a mix of pastels and water colours to create their art. In science, we have been exploring human evolution - we travelled 30 million years into the future and thought about how humans may evolve if there was a mass extinction or if the world was covered in water.

Nursery



The children in Nursery have had a wonderful first week back looking at our beach topic of 'How many pebbles are on the beach?'. We have loved exploring small world play linked to this and taken part in lots of water play!

AWARDS! ★★★★★

Class Celebrations

Acorns - Jake O, Jake L
Willow - Alice, Evan
Beech - Harry, Hazel
Rowan - Sophie, Archie H
Birch - Elenor, Ella
Maple - Alex, Evie-Ella
Oak - Seb, Mikey

Unfortunately due to present COVID 19 restrictions there will not be a celebration assembly for parents. However, we will be presenting the children with their certificates in Class.

Literacy Star of the week

Acorns - Harry
Willow - Freddie
Beech - Cadan
Rowan - Tobias
Birch - Rose
Maple - Josh, Ollie
Oak - Patrick

Mathematician of the Week

Acorns - Charlotte
Willow - Ailla
Beech - Niamh
Rowan - Archie L
Birch - Sonny
Maple - Chloe, Charlotte
Oak - Emily



We would like to congratulate Miss Livingstone on her recent marriage. Miss Livingstone will be keeping her name but changing her title from Miss to Mrs. We wish her all the very best for the future.

Attendance

Congratulations to Willow Class with 100% attendance