

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 22nd June

YR Education Visit to
Mudeford Beach

Friday 24th June

Summer Fayre! 3.30 –
5.00pm

Wednesday 29th June

Y1 Educational Visit to
London Eye and Boat Trip

Tuesday 12th July

Birch Class Open
Afternoon

Wednesday 13th July

Sports Day (whole school)
and Open Afternoon (all
except Birch Class)

Wednesday 20th July

1:45pm end of term

School News

We have had a wonderful week in school. The children have all been very sensible in the heat and the smell of sun cream has been in the air!

You will all be pleased to know that we have purchased some air conditioning units for the school, so by the time the heatwave came on Friday we were all lovely and cool!

Summer Fayre

Next Friday is our Summer Fayre! We would love to see you all there between 3:30 and 5:00. There will be a raffle with some incredible prizes as well as fun activities for the children. The star of the show is always our **Rainbow Tombola!** Please do continue to bring in your new or nearly new items in the colour of your child's class:

Nursery (Acorns and Little Acorns classes) - pink
Beech Class – violet/purple
Maple Class – red
Birch Class – indigo and blue (light and dark blue)
Cherry Class – green
Hazel Class – yellow
Rowan Class – orange

Thank you in advance for your support.

Health and Safety

A reminder that children should not ride their scooters, bikes, or balance bikes in the school grounds. Please ensure your child dismounts before entering the playground for their own safety and the safety of others.

Children should also not climb on any school equipment, walls or sheds while waiting with parents to enter the school or on the way out after school please. This is for their own safety as we have had some accidents and near misses recently.

PTA News

To see what you may have missed out on please visit the PTA on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MrsBlandsPTA>

Get in Touch via –

mrsblandspta@gmail.com

or catch someone on the playground –

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Sian Killen, Charmaine
Kelly**

Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

This week in Little Acorns we have been reading the stories, Hansel and Gretel and Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We have been thinking about the different rooms we might find inside a home and the function of these rooms. The children have enjoyed looking at the different types of buildings we have in our own village of Burghfield and then making their own buildings using the Duplo.

The children enjoyed following a simple biscuit recipe and working in small groups to create delicious biscuits for their snack time.

We had our first trip over to the big nursery this week. There was a buzz of excitement as the children waved to the bigger boys and girls in the big school. We are extremely proud of our Little Acorns and how well they behaved, showing their good manners and excellent listening skills.

Well done everyone- good choices!

Acorn (Nursery am and pm)

This week in Acorns we have started our topic 'How Does That Building Stay Up?' In maths we have been using 2D shapes to make different buildings.

In Literacy, we looked at homes around the World and shared with the class about our own homes.

In science, we have looked at different materials and what affect the sun had on them.

We are very proud of how well the children have coped with the heat this week and we kept cool with a spray from the hosepipe!

Maple and Beech News (Reception)

This week we have been reading the story Tiddler. We have talked about rhyming words and tried to continue a rhyming string. We have made up our own tall tales.

In Art we have made foil fish and painted these with acrylic paints and in Maths we have been learning how to share equally using teddies and buttons.

In Outdoor learning we learnt how to whittle wood, taking off the bark from sticks which we are going to turn into flag poles.

In RE we are looking at stories linked to promises.

In PE we have been busy practising for sports day, your child should have brought a slip home with the colour t-shirt they need to wear on the day. Can you please check PE kits have t-shirts, shorts and trainers that still fit, also that you have no extra kit as we have several missing items.

A reminder Maple will have outdoor learning on Monday next week and the week after instead of their normal Tuesday session.

Birch and Cherry (Year 1)

In Year One this week, we have begun to learn about the Great Fire of London, we thought of questions that we would like to find out about the fire and then investigated some clues about when, where and how the fire started? The children have enjoyed learning and sequencing the story. Can they retell you some of the story or the facts that they have learnt? In maths we have continued to partition numbers into tens and ones. The children enjoyed Dance this week as we were pretending to be the Queens soldiers and trying to march like the soldiers that they had seen on TV. For art we have been learning about the artist Julia Gash and drawing posters in her style using 3 colours only. We have continued to look at maps of London and other important buildings.

Next week we are having an Armed Forces week, if you have any old leather shoes, shoe polish and brushes that we could use during an outdoor learning session then that would be helpful. Please could each child bring in a cereal box for our creative activities next week.

Hazel and Rowan (Year 2)

The heat has not stopped year 2 from working incredibly hard this week!

In English, the children have been learning facts about marine life and the layers of the ocean. They practised delivering facts to the class with confidence, learnt about the key features of information texts and are now in the process of writing their own fact-file about a marine animal. Ask your child to tell you their favourite fact of the week.

In maths, the children have been learning how to measure the weight or mass of different objects. They have made predictions using words such as 'heavier and lighter', used balance scales to check their predictions and finally moved on to reading scales accurately.

In Science, the children have continued their topic of 'animals including humans'. This week they explored all of the different ways that they have changed throughout their lives. Next week we would like to play a game of 'guess who!'. We would like to ask parents to send in a picture of their child as a baby, the children will then use clues such as eye colour and facial features to work out who is who. Please email your picture to the school office to pass on to your child's class teacher.

Finally, as you may be aware, next week the school will be celebrating Forces Week. As part of our celebrations, Year 2 will be holding an afternoon tea party. In order to prepare, the children will be planning, budgeting and purchasing the ingredients for their party. On Tuesday morning, each class will walk to the Burghfield Co-op to purchase all of the necessary items. Permission has already been given as part of our 'local walks' permission but if you have any questions, please do speak to your child's class teacher.

Breakfast Bees and Bumblebees

This week in Bumblebees we have been remembering how to be safe and have stayed in the shade in the evenings. We have enjoyed building different models with Lego and Duplo. Some of the children have enjoyed trying to draw pictures with 'how to draw...' books.

Next week we will be making lots of cakes to support our school fayre.

Bumblebees Stars

Friend



Dinner Star



Playtime



Whole School Stars

Star of the Week



Friendship Star



Playtime Star



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Please click on the link below to access the new school lottery where you can win money and prizes whilst supporting the school. Please share this link with your friends and family. The more people that buy tickets, the better the prizes and the more money we raise. Thank you for your support and good luck everyone!

The PTA

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