



Newsletter:

Friday 26th January



The first 2 weeks have flown by, and have been busy as usual! The children have settled back into the routines of school, Robin Class participated in a Gym Festival and Owl Class have started rehearsals for the Little Missenden Festival. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Nursery families to the Little Missenden Community.

Can you help with One Can with a food donation?

Right now, vulnerable families and individuals living locally need your support more than ever. According to the One Can Trust demand is at the highest levels ever seen and with the continuing cost of living crisis, it is feared it will rise further.

Therefore, we would like to invited families to participate in our “**Foodbank Friday**”. We will put out the collection boxes at the gate and would appreciate any donations you can make.

The most needed items at the moment are: tinned meat meals, UHT milk, Tinned vegetables, honey, cooking sauces, pasta, toilet roll and tinned potatoes.



Sickness Absence

As I'm sure you know there are lots of bugs, coughs and colds going around at the moment and it is crucial for all of us to work together to maintain a healthy and safe school environment.

If your child experiences any sickness or diarrhoea, in line with school policy, we request that you keep them at home **until they have been symptom-free for at least 48 hours**. Additionally, please inform the school so that we can monitor and take appropriate precautions.

We would also appreciate it if you could reinforce the importance of handwashing with your child, as we will also be doing in school.

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Class News



Robin Class

Robin class had a fabulous physical Friday last week with the Gym festival and an extended yoga session. They listened and learnt so much and had the opportunity to try out some super climbing equipment. The coach trip was also a highlight!

This half term our RE topic is looking at Creation stories from different faiths. So far we have thought about the Hindu and Christian stories. The children have been very interested in the work and have asked some great questions.

As the children have now been with us in Robin Class for a whole term, we would like to request that parents say goodbye at the gate and the children make their way to the classroom on their own. This just helps them become more independent and are responsible for their own belongings.

Little Robins have welcomed 4 new children to the class, they are settling in well and quickly getting used to our routines and activities. This week we have been exploring what birds we find in our gardens and local environment and made our own bird feeders.



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Owl Class

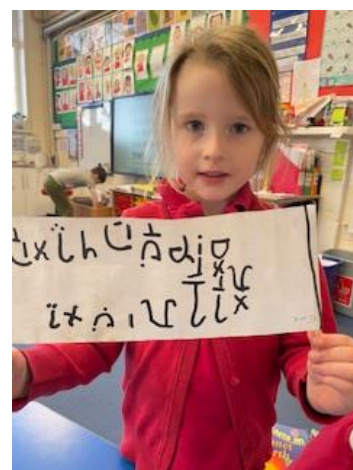
Year two are enjoying being back out at Forest School. We have been creating our own bugs and bug homes and have seen some super creative work. We've built some amazing dens and had fun in the hammock. Last week we enjoyed a warm cup of hot chocolate in the winter sunshine last. Whilst in Yoga, Year 1 have been concentrating on balancing and mirroring.

In RE this term we are discussing the question "What does the Torah mean for Jewish people?" Over the past two weeks we have made our own Torah scrolls. We dyed the paper to make our scrolls look old and then wrote the first verse in from the Torah in Hebrew on our scrolls: Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

In our literacy sessions we are looking at the story of Handa's surprise, which links to our topic this half term about Africa. We have retold the story, thinking about verbs, nouns and adjectives. We are working towards writing our own stories.

Whilst in Maths Year 1 have been working with place value to 20, and Year 2 have had fun with money.

Finally, in our Science lessons we are exploring plants, thinking about seeds and bulbs. We planted our own seeds last week and are keeping a diary of what happens as we watch them grow.



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PSALMS NOTICES

Happy New Year to everyone, we are busy planning for the coming months but in the meantime, we have 2 events to take us up to Half Term:



Please help us save money on single use cups by bringing your reusable cups to the hot chocolate sale.

Donations of baked goods on 9th February would be hugely appreciated and can be bought into school on the morning of the cake sale. Please remember we are nut free and to list ingredients of any homemade made bakes.

All donations made at the above will continue to raise money for the extra curricular activities our children do in school and provide much needed equipment.

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DIARY DATES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
Friday 26 January	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School
Thursday 1st February	Owl Class – Little Missenden Festival Rehearsal
Friday 2 February	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School Hot Chocolate Treat – PSALMS fundraiser
Tuesday 6 February	Drama4ALL workshop, Whole School
Thursday 8 February	Franks Coffee Van at school 8.30am – 9.30am
Friday 9 February	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School Bake Sale – PSALMS fundraiser School Closes for Half Term
Monday 19 February	School Re Opens
Friday 23 February	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School
Monday 26 February	Little Missenden Festival rehearsal – Owl Class
Thursday 29 February	Little Missenden Festival Performance Church of St Peter & St Paul Great Missenden
Wednesday 6 March	School Trip – Oxford Science Museum Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
Thursday 7 March	World Book Day
Friday 8 March	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School
Thursday 14 March	Franks Coffee Van – 8.30am – 9.30am
Friday 15 March	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School
Friday 22 March	Early Years & Year 1 Yoga Year 2 Forest School
Thursday 28 March	Easter Service at the church 9.15am – Parents welcome School closes for Easter Break 1.15pm

Wishing you a relaxing weekend,

Warm regards

Mrs Green
Head Teacher

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