

Term 4 Newsletter



Our topic this term is about habitats and what a habitat needs to provide. The children have explored local habitats to identify, and name living things, and what a habitat must provide for animals and plants.

Next term, we will be exploring human survival. The children will be learning about the basic needs of humans for survival including the importance of exercise, nutrition and good hygiene. They will also investigate how human offspring grow and change over time into adulthood.

Birch Class

Birch Class have had a very busy term and as always, we are so impressed by their commitment to learning all the new topics. This term we enjoyed a visit to Wildwood to compliment our topic of habitats. We have been looking at Wolves and created information sheets about wolves, and what affects them. To put what we had learnt in perspective, we have created some 3D diorama's which allowed the pupils to explore their creative side.

In science, we have been considering plant reproduction and the wider implications of how this effects the planet.

We have been looking at fractions and line graphs in maths, and we will be progressing to statistics in the next term.

Due to the high level of technology surrounding us, we have focused on online safety this term, and created powerpoint presentations on ourselves!

Animal Care

Pupils groomed and dressed up Maggie and Jessie this term.



Sox in the Easter spirit.

Nellie and Phoebe celebrated their 4th Birthday with a donkey friendly cake.

Common Room:

In week 3, the new common room was unveiled. The children use this on a Friday for golden time and are really enjoying this new space.



Therapy/Medical Appointments

Please can we ask that if your child has a medical appointment that you inform us as soon as possible.

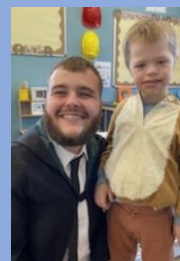
In order to keep our school records up to date, can we request that any new information is shared with us immediately and given to:

Claire Carter (Receptionist)

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World Book Day

Children and staff dressed up and enjoyed World Book Day 2023.



What a variety of different characters.

Willow Class

The class book this term is the Gruffalo which has been enjoyed by all. Willow Class went shopping to buy an item of clothing and then created their own shops.



Chestnut Class

The children have had an exciting and productive term recognising the numbers 1-10. In phonics, they have been focusing on the sounds s, a, t, p and corresponding words. In PHSE the children have been learning about the world around us and recognising their feelings. Overall, we are proud of all achievements this term.

Silver Birch Class

Silver Birch children for their 'big write' have created an information leaflet about arctic foxes including their habitat, diet and offspring. For maths this term, the children have been learning to recognise equal and unequal groups, identifying and making arrays, sharing equally and counting in 2, 5 and 10. This is to begin understanding of division, demonstrating their knowledge by using dienes manipulative with all pupils scoring above 90% in the end of block assessment. Well done Silver Birch! For topic, the children have explored different habitats and what animals and plants need to survive in them. They have identified living and non-living things and created food chains understanding that all food chains begin with a green plant. The children enjoyed a visit to Wildwood where they took part in a hands on experience of handling arctic fox fur, a bear skull and finding out about wolves.



Forest School

This term the children have been exploring our forest school site, focusing on creating more habitats for wildlife to thrive here. Pupils have been taking part in activities to connect with the RSPB Wild Challenge award scheme. They have created log piles, stone piles, bird nesting boxes, beetle buckets and compost heap trousers including 'Compo' the compost bear! The pupils have also started to plant sunflowers to help our pollinators and birds.



Reminder of Term Dates

Term 5: 17th April 2023 - 26th May 2023

Term 6: 12th June - 21st July 2023
(Please note there are onset days 5th June - 9th June which is why pupils start term on 12th June).

Key dates for Term 5:

1st May - Bank Holiday
8th May - King Charles III Coronation
24th May - Parents Evening

Spotlight on Staff: An interview with Anna Weston

This interview was performed by two students from Birch Class.

They created the questions, then sat and interviewed the staff member.

1. How long have you been a Teaching Assistant for?

5 years as a TA and 14 years in pre-school.

2. How many children do you have?

3 children; Ellen, George and Jimmy.

3. Who is the best pupil in your class?

All of you are lovely.

4. What has been your favourite holiday?

Turkey

5. Where is your favourite place in the UK?

Cornwall.

6. Tell us something funny...

How does the easter bunny stay fit?

Egg-ercise.

7. What's your magic superpower?

Invisibility.

8. Have you ever lied to your parents?

Yes, I lied so I didn't have to take part in PE.

9. Have you ever met anyone famous?

Yes, Paul Weller.

10. What do you want to do when you are older?

Retire and live in Bora Bora.



Don't forget to put your suggestions for who should be interviewed next to the pupil council.

If you have any ideas of questions, you would like asked too - feel free to send those in 😊

New Staff:

We have Dean joining us in May and he will be working in Birch Tree Class as a part time teacher.

We hope that you all have a wonderful Easter and look forward

to the children's return to school on

Monday 17th April 2023.