

# Oak Hill Church of England Primary School



Newsletter Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

## Leaver's Service

Wednesday marked the beginning of our leavers celebrations. The children attended the Gloucestershire Diocese Leavers Service at the cathedral. It was a beautiful location for a beautiful service. We had two children carry our school banner in the procession with pride and a third member of the class took part in the candle procession. As always, the children represented the school wonderfully and both Mrs Kendall and I were incredibly proud of them and a little emotional.

Following our visit to the cathedral, we welcomed Mrs Burgess from Winchcombe to talk to the Year 6s who are attending in September. Those who are not attending in September have also had their meet and greet with the representatives from their secondary school.

The transition ball is well and truly rolling now!



## Rounders Tournament

On Wednesday, most of Juniper Class attended a rounders tournament at Stanway Cricket Club. During the evening, we played against three other schools. We started strong winning our first match; the following games were close with one other win. Overall we came joint second which was great, but the teamwork, excellent support and good rounders skills made the evening even better! The children all had smiles on their faces, as did our very enthusiastic parents! It was a fantastic event and the children did Oak Hill proud!



### **Wrap Around Care at Oak Hill**

Thank you to everyone who has completed the Wrap Around Care Survey. We will collate the results and decide our plan of action.

### **School Play**

The performances of Robin Hood will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July. We will therefore have whole school days on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Vacancy at Oak Hill**

We are recruiting for an Admin/Finance role for September 2022. Details of the vacancy can be found at the following link.

**<https://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schoolvacancies/details.aspx?ID=25422&page=0>**

### **FOOHS News!**

Ice lollies will be for sale after school today!

Thursday 23rd June from 3pm - Second hand uniform and book sale.

Thursday 7th July - School disco! Letters will go out next week.



## Parent Courses

We are running some great courses online which are designed especially for parents/carers. If you know of anyone who would benefit, please could you send them the details and encourage them along. All of our courses are open to all and free\* to many.

**Upgrade Your Maths** is a 7 week course running on Thursday mornings from 10-12. This course is designed especially for parents who are anxious about maths. Parents work in a small group online and are supported so that they soon feeling comfortable tackling a range of maths questions and develop confidence to support their children with their homework. This course is starting on Thursday 9 June.

**Help Your Child with Writing for ESOL Parents** runs on Wednesday afternoons online. The focus of the class is to improve parents English skills and look at the techniques schools use to support children with their written skills in the UK. This class runs weekly in term time for 12 weeks. You can enrol by clicking on this link [English Class- Help Your Child with Writing](#)

Parents can enrol online through our website, click [here](#) for course listings, or by contacting me.

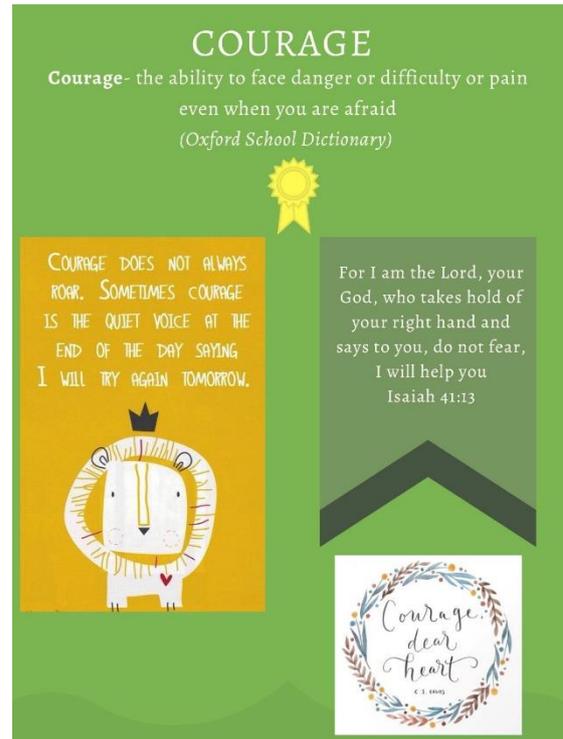
### **Fay Tucker**

Adult Education Learning Coordinator

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\* The courses are free if you are over 19 years old, have lived in the UK for 3 or more years, have a valid Residence Permit, and are one of the following: Unemployed or earning below £18,525 per year; Qualified below a Level 2 (less than 5 GCSEs); Have mental health challenges, Have a learning difficulty or disability.

## Our Christian Values



## Church Services

**Cafe Church:** come along to Cafe Church on Father's Day on **Sunday 19th June** to say thank you to your Dad, Grandfather or an Uncle! A short informal service starting with drinks and croissants, singing a few songs and some engaging activities. All ages are welcome at **10.30am in Dumbleton Church** and there will be a chance to sing one of your iSingPop songs too.

## Parents' Oak Hill WhatsApp Group

In case you are not already aware, there is an informal WhatsApp group that is run by parents for parents. It's intended as a way of keeping in touch with each other on school-related matters. If you are not already a member, and would like to be added to it, please speak to one of the group admins, Rachael and Sinead, or message Sinead on 07731 177405.

## Internet Safety

Twitch is a livestreaming service, which tends to focus on gaming. Users can publicly broadcast their gameplay and commentary online for other users to watch. It's a community-driven platform where viewers can support their favourite streamers' channels through PayPal donations, "Bits" and more. Each streamer or group creates their own community for fans to interact with each other. Twitch has more than 15 million daily active users and includes non-gaming topics such as music, cooking and art. Anyone can create a channel to livestream or watch videos.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as inappropriate content, private chat rooms and strangers.



number of spots on the opposite side and then counting to see how many there were in total.

This week's brilliant story is "Handa's Surprise" and we have been learning all about what it is like where Handa lives, in Kenya. We have explored what the weather is like where Handa lives and how the animals that live there have adapted to the climate. We have been comparing the similarities and differences in life for Handa compared to life for us. We have also been enjoying acting the story out, focusing on sequencing the fruits and animals in the correct order.

We have continued to receive postcards from all around the world, including a postcard all the way from Dubai! We have used the atlas and giant maps to investigate what it must be like in different countries all around the world. This led to us playing different instruments that came from different places in Africa. We had a wonderful time playing these instruments and making a big noise using the drums!



## Maple Class

In Maple Class this week, we have been practising our doubling of numbers to 10. We have played some fun games to learn how to double numbers, including doubles, snap and bingo. We have made beautiful butterflies, where we painted spots on one side of the butterfly, folded the paper to print the same



artefacts. We took part in some role play and pretended to have a lesson in a Victorian classroom. The girls and boys sat separately, worked in silence, sat straight and stood up when an adult entered the room. The teacher (Miss Gunter) was very strict and not very smiley!! Despite saying it was a little bit scary, they all loved it and wanted to continue for the rest of the afternoon!

In PE we have started a new unit of yoga which the children are really enjoying. We have also begun to practise for our sports day races.



### Willow Class

This week has been busy, busy, busy! In English, we finished our innovated stories of 'Where The Wild Things Are' and wrote up our final edited versions in neat on smart lined paper. We then began our new unit on instructions by making a delicious fruit salad! We tried lots of different fruits and practised our chopping skills. This linked in nicely with our DT topic called 'Chop, Slice and Mash'.

In Maths, we have continued with our unit on shapes. Year 1 have been continuing patterns and looking at the properties of 3D shapes. Year 2 have been looking at lines of symmetry this week as well as recapping vertices and faces of 3D shapes.

In our topic lessons we have been investigating what classrooms were like in Victorian times and looking at different

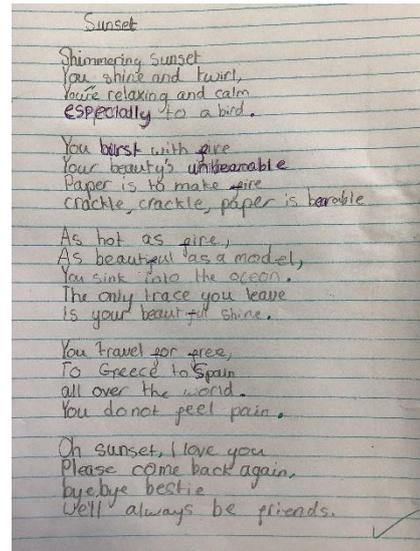
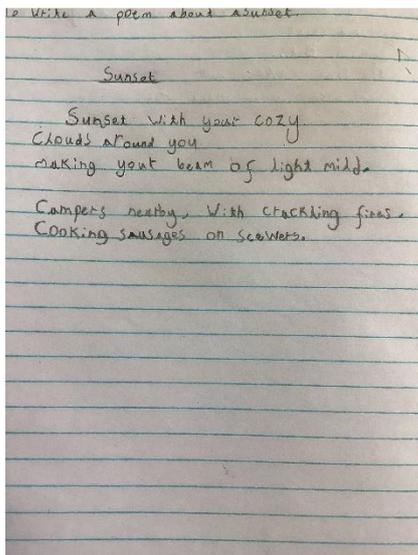




### Hawthorn Class

This week in Hawthorn Class we have begun looking at different types of graphs, learning to look through data effectively and can plot coordinates in the correct place. We also looked at pictographs which means we have to make sure we read the key correctly so we are aware of what the graph is showing.

In English we compared two different types of ode poems to see what features had been used in each different poem. We then used this comparison to write our own poem in the style of the poem we liked the most.



### Juniper Class

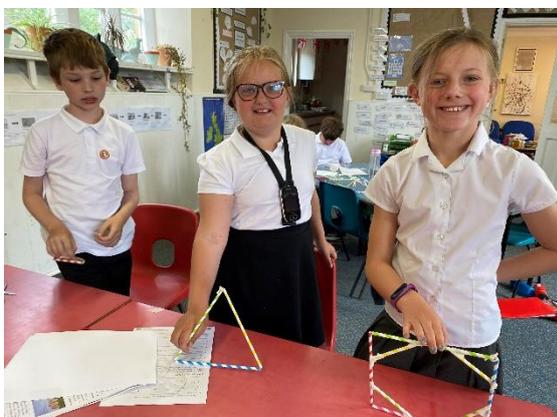
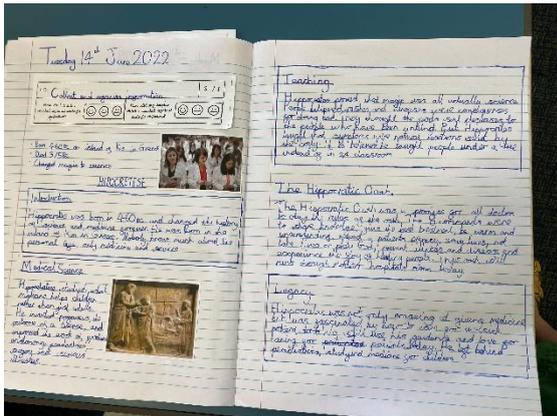
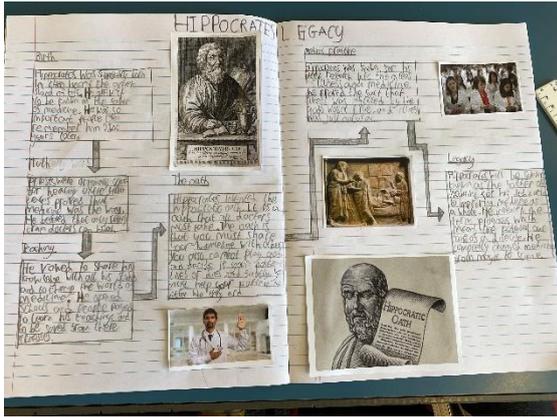
It's been a week of rounders, production and triangles in Juniper! The children have created non-chronological reports in a cross-curricular History and English lesson. They spent time learning all about how Hippocrates started to understand illnesses then put this information into a report. They worked incredibly hard on these and they look wonderful!

In Maths we continued to work on angles in triangles, looking at how to identify types of triangles just using the markings.

The children continued to work with triangles in DT, investigating which shapes were the strongest, using straws and string. They then moved onto exploring which 3D shapes are the strongest, creating cylinders, cuboids and other prisms to test their weight bearing ability. Finally, the children used the wooden blocks to see why we don't just stack bricks one on top of the other.

On Wednesday evening, all our hard work and practice paid off at the Stanway rounders tournament. A very enjoyable event.

Throughout the week the children have also been working on the play. Now that the stage is up, it's really starting to feel like a proper production!



## Stars of the Week

### Maple

Star of the week - Tallulah for brilliant work in English, writing super sentences!

Value of the week – Rory for showing super perseverance in all you do!

### Willow

Star of the week – Edward for using imperative verbs whilst writing instructions

Value of the week - AJ for persevering with your letter formation

### Hawthorn

Star of the Week – Ellie for showing excellent knowledge of graphs and being able to show data on different graphs effectively

Value of the Week – Jake for showing courage and perseverance when doing the Year 3 tests this week.

### Juniper

Value of the Week – Freddie for showing courage during the rounders tournament

Star of the Week – Max for writing a fantastic non-chronological report

## House Points

Diamond – 170

Emerald – 167

Ruby – 103

Sapphire - 114

## Diary Dates

Please be aware that these may be subject to change.

## June

24<sup>th</sup> Year 5/6 Swimming

30<sup>th</sup> Induction Day at Winchcombe

## **July**

1<sup>st</sup> Induction Day at Winchcombe

Year 5/6 Swimming

6<sup>th</sup> Reports Out

7<sup>th</sup> FOOHs Disco

8<sup>th</sup> Swimming

15<sup>th</sup> Extra Swim for Year 5/6

Sport's Day (potentially)

20<sup>th</sup> End of Term