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OCEAN – FOREST SCHOOL



Over the years our 6's have become master den builders, good team members and excellent problem solvers.

For their final forest school sessions we went into the forest, built dens and whittled sticks for skewers.

They then made 'damper bread' and cooked it on the BBQ.

I hope you have all enjoyed your forest school experiences and wish you all the best for the future. Love Mrs Hatton

Our forest school activities after SATs have been REALLY fun! We had to carry two people from our groups, who were pretending to have broken legs (they had fake blood on the bandages it look really effective). They had to hold an egg and if they dropped it, it would have cracked on them. The people in the 1st group were Jasper, Phoebe, Matthew, Ollie, (Sammy was the casualty). In our second group we had Nia, Izzy, (Cara was the casualty), Harry, Sophia, Angus. We had to make our own stretcher. We got extremely long sticks and a padding to hold the casualty inside. We had to wrap the padding around the sticks and that's how we made the stretcher.

On another afternoon we made damper bread from water, flour, sugar and milk. It was fun we had to wrap the mixture around sticks we had whittled. We cooked the bread over a fire – it was delicious. We had jam or Nutella on the bread too! Thankyou Mrs Hatton for such a fantastic time. We will really miss you and forest school next year.

Written by Cara and Phoebe

ESTUARY – WE THE CURIOUS

Class Estuary visited we the curious this term and it was brilliant fun!

Elsie and Sophie said the highlights were:

"Bubble tunnels, you can put yourself inside a bubble!"

"Making your own movie!"

"The big thing where you could speak to each other through satellites."

"The human hamster wheel!"

It clearly was a memorable experience with more than enough fun and entertainment to keep everybody engaged.

A brilliant day out!

BAGS2SCHOOL CLOTHING COLLECTION

Following the popularity and success of previous collections, PTFA have arranged a collection on Thursday 18th July.

Please leave bags by the big blue door (but clear of the crossing and door itself) on the morning of collection.

Apologies but we cannot have bags left in school prior to the collection, we simply don't have the space.

YEAR 6 – BELL BOAT REGATTA

On Thursday 27th June, Miss Etheridge and Class Ocean had a day out at the Bell Boat Regatta.

The Regatta takes place each year at Tewkesbury Rowing Club. It was a beautiful day for messing about on the river and we all had so much fun! Mrs Hulse even came along to cheer us on with baby Jacob!

Teams competed in a series of heats over the course of the day against 11 other schools. Class Ocean quickly made their presence known looking very professional and organised on the water.



Well-done Class Ocean for coming 3rd overall, a fantastic achievement, the opposition was fierce and there were strong winds against the rowers on the day!

We also need to show some appreciation for the parents/ staff team who rowed in each of the children's races & managed to place 2nd overall in the adult heats (and had loads of fun taking part!).

This really is a great day out, well organised, fabulous location & just great fun, if you ever get the chance, join in!!!!

RIVER – DEAN FOREST RAILWAY

This Term River went on a trip to Dean Forest Railway. Here's some of the children's favourite bits:

Freddie "Going on a train because we got to sketch"

Sophie "Seeing the engine turn around"

Dennis "train & looking in the museum"

Brandon "sketching on the train".



Coming Up:

Thursday 4th July – Newent Induction

Friday 5th July – Newent Induction/ Shunt up day/ Estuary Dance Extravaganza

Friday 12th July – Founders Day/ Samba Performance 11.30am

Friday 16th July – Sports Afternoon

Thursday 18th July – Extra hip hop practice

Friday 19th July – Last day, Leaver service in church 1.30pm

Monday 22nd July – INSET

Tuesday 23rd July – INSET

Monday 2nd September – Back to school

NON UNIFORM DAY

Thank you for all of your tombola prize donations, there were some fantastic items!!!

HEADLICE

We seem to be experiencing several cases of headlice around school at the moment. Please check your child/ren regularly and treat accordingly, and remember that you need to repeat the treatment and keep combing to keep them away!

We have some nit combs in the office, there just aren't enough to give out one each. If you would like one please pop in, they are free but when they're gone they're gone.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder that Tesco UES has now changed to My Clothing. Orders can be placed via www.myclothing.com. Prices have all remained the same; the only thing that has changed is the name. School receive a 5% donation of all sales and your items are delivered directly to your door.

LOST PROPERTY

Once again the box is taking over the Reception area. Please feel free to pop in at drop off/ pick up times and take a look through the box for any items you may be missing. At the end of each term anything left in the box named or unnamed will be passed on to PTFA or disposed of. We spend a lot of time sorting through the box & returning items to their owners only for them to re-appear in the box the next day.

We are going to have to start being a bit ruthless.

Books have now been given out but there are lots left over so if you forgot don't worry, you've not missed your chance, there are more in the office ready to go! Books are only £5 each, fantastic value for some brilliant easy meal ideas!

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please remember to check the school website for any information you might need. The website is updated regularly with information about clubs, important dates, term dates, menus and newsletters are all published on the website. Also each class has their own page where you can see what they have been up to and what they are looking at each term. The website should always be the first point of reference.

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Dear all

July already- I'm not sure where the school year has gone!

Firstly I would like to inform you all of a change in our governing body. Due to major work commitments, Mr Adrian Eggleton as had to step down from his role as Chair of Governors and from the governing body as well. I would like to thank him for all the time and effort he has put into the role. He has been a great support to me and the school.

Moving on, we have now decided to go down the route of having two co-chairs. Ms Fiona Gordon, who is currently our Ethos committee chair will be working alongside Mrs Anne Bryson who chairs our Resource committee. Both has different strengths they can bring to the role and we are really pleased with this decision. Many thanks to them both and to all the governors for their commitment to the school.

Next year, as I'm sure you all know, there has been a change to the date of the May Bank holiday. It was originally on the 4th May and has now changed to the 8th. Because we appreciate that people may already have plans for this day, we will honour this date and make it an INSET day for staff. Then the bank holiday will be on Friday 8th. To make up for this we will be cancelling the planned INSET on Monday 4th November.

A big well done to Class Estuary on their amazing dance performance. I was so impressed with the commitment and enthusiasm they showed and the dancing was really professional! It was a lovely end to the week – thank you!

Some of the children who attend the school dance club, are performing in Tewkesbury on the 20th July with a dance group who featured in this year's 'Britain's Got Talent.' This should be a great experience and I'm looking forward to seeing them on stage!

As everyone is aware, Friday is Founder's day. (12th) The children will need to be in the church for 5:45 for a 6:00 start. The circus skills activities will be in the playground afterwards and this can be paid for on the night. This will free up parents to enjoy the BBQ, cakes and drinks available!

Thank you very much for all your donations for the children and adult tombola. If there are any more prizes to come in, please leave them with Mrs Mason in the office.

After school clubs will not be carrying on, except for Monday's athletic club. Tuesday's recorder club and Wednesday's girl's football this week. Sorry for any inconvenience but it's all systems go towards Founder's Day and we have a day's visit from the local authority on Wednesday which is due to go on until 5:30.

Just a reminder about the new admissions policy that comes into place form September. It is in the policies section on the website.

On the subject of the website, we are having a few thing updated in the new school year. If there is anything that you can think of, that you think is not currently on there, but would be useful to parents, please let me know and I can speak to the technical support team and see what they can do

I would like to wish you all a lovely summer holiday. Thank you for all support over the year- see you all on Friday!

