

Dear Parents

It has been a busy week in school. Harborne and Rousham class teachers have worked with Julie Sargent Literacy Consultant on developing the teaching of reading. Julie came and planned and taught alongside our teachers—demonstrating and modelling different skills to develop the teaching of reading in class.

I have shared some thoughtful work that Harborne have completed this week on Twitter on the theme of Remembrance Day—please do have a look at it. The Twitter feed can be accessed via our school website.

This week the children have collected house points with renewed enthusiasm so they can safely deposit them in the new house point collector. I raised the stakes with a gold coin which is worth 100 house points. I chose the theme of resilience to aware gold coins this week and asked each teacher to give their class gold coin to someone who persisted in their learning even when it was tricky.

Congratulations to Evie M, Nancy V, Finn O'S and Lydia L who were awarded the gold coin this week.

Mrs Murrey

25 Reads

Congratulations to the following children achieving their 25 reads milestone this week:

Jack Ch	Kaitlyn H	Stella O'M
Billy S	Alfie I	



and to the following children for achieving their 50 reads milestone this week:

George C	Lydia L	Percy M	Sienna I
Albert M	Emily B	George D	

School Applications for 2021/2022

Primary School—Parents are reminded that they can now submit online applications for children for Reception Year entry in September 2021. Attending our Nursery does not automatically give your child a school place in September. Parents should apply direct at:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/infant-and-primary-school>

The deadline for receipt of primary school applications is **Friday 15th January 2021**.

Medcroft Open Week for Parents

We are currently unable to show new parents around our school for our Reception 2021 intake. We have commissioned a short promotional video which we will be able to share with you shortly. If you know any parents whose children will be eligible to join our Reception or Nursery class from September 2021 please ask them to register their interest with the school office.

Parents Online Safety Workshop

123ICT are holding an online safety workshop between 8:00-9:00pm on **Wednesday 18th November**. We encourage all parents to book on this course via the following link: <https://sites.google.com/gedu.demo.123ict.co.uk/parentsnonlinesafety/> .

Oxford Active—After School Club—ad hoc bookings available

Our After School Club runs from 3:00—5:30 on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please visit their website

<http://www.activeafterschoolclubs.co.uk/> to register and book regular sessions. **For ad-hoc bookings please call Oxford Active on 01865 594324.**

I can not emphasise enough that this is a “Use it or Lose it” approach. We are in contract with Oxford Active until July 2021, currently the Club is being run with a significant financial loss to the school, this is not sustainable beyond July 2021. We urge all parents to make use of this valuable resource.

Children in Need Day—Friday 13th November

Thank you for your donations which, so far, has raised £87.10 for Children in Need.



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EASY FUNDRAISING

If you're shopping online for anything at all, please remember to go via easyfundraising to raise free donations for us.

Easyfundraising has over 4,000 shops and sites which will donate to us at no extra cost to yourself, including lots of big name retailers like John Lewis, Argos, Uswitch, eBay, M&S, Just Eat, Now TV, Domino's Pizza and Audible. All you have to do is go through the easyfundraising website or App whenever you shop online and we'll receive a % of your spend as a free donation, at no cost to you or us.

We really need all the help we can get at the moment and any funds we raise will make a big difference to us. Please remember to use easyfundraising and if you haven't signed up yet, you can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/tackleyprimaryschooltackley/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=c19-e2.

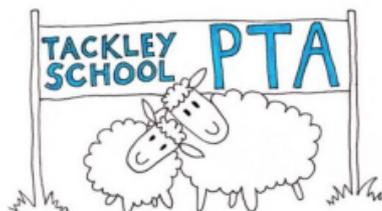
Value Awards

Medcroft Class: Our class celebrated the work we have been doing around Remembrance Day. We shared a lovely picture book called 'Where the Poppies Now Grow'. From this we made our own poppies, poppy pictures and thought about all the things we have to be thankful for, leading to some lovely writing. Our value certificate for being Curious was given to George C. George is always supporting his own learning by being curious and asking lots of thoughtful questions. He was very interested in Where the Poppies Grow and finding out more about what we learned from the story. Well done, George.

Nethercote Class: This week, the learning value is Curiosity and it is awarded to Grace H-T. Grace has taken starting a new school in her stride and has worked hard, showing she is a curious learner! Well done Grace.

Harborne Class: This week our class shared Maths in celebration assembly. We focused on our fluency sharing different methods we could use to solve subtraction problems. The children have been practising subtraction using mental strategies, dienes, counters, number lines and columns. Our certificate for Kindness this week goes to Edith T, who is always a good friend and a respectful, considerate member of our class. Well done Edith.

Rousham Class: This week in Rousham we celebrated our achievements in reading. We are enjoying our class book 'Wonder' which tells the story of a boy called August who was born with many conditions meaning he has had to have many surgeries and looks very different to his peers. He has just started school, aged 10 and we are following his journey of making friends and learning to cope when people are unkind to him because of how he looks. Kindness is a theme of the book and we created a #Choosekind Charter that we all signed and thought of ways we could be kind to ourselves and each other. We are focussing on backing up our ideas with evidence from the text, something you may be able to help your child with when reading with them at home. Our value certificate this week goes to Emily B. Emily is a responsible learner and a responsible member of our school community. She always tries her best and pushes herself. Really well done Emily, keep it up!



Tackley Christmas Trees

- ▲ We will then email you an invoice with payment details.
- ▲ Simply order and pay for your tree by **Wednesday 25th November** and collect from Tackley School on
 - **Saturday 5th December between 10am and 11am**
 - If you can't make these times just let us know.
- ▲ Or you can pay just £5 extra and we can deliver your tree to you in Tackley.
- ▲ The trees are premium quality cut Nordmann Firs with blunt non-drop needles but if you would prefer a different type of tree just ask. Further information at <https://oxfordedens.co.uk/christmas-trees/>

Tree size	Price (including VAT)
3 to 4 feet (100 to 125cm)	£24
4 to 5 feet (125 to 150cm)	£34
5 to 6 feet (150 to 175cm)	£44
6 to 7 feet (175 to 200cm)	£54
7 to 8 feet (200 to 250cm)	£68
8 to 10 feet (250 to 300cm)	£90
Cinco plastic tree stand for trees up to 7 feet	£21