

Dear Parents

May Day was a huge success, it felt so positive to be together as a school again. It is probably the chilliest May Day we have had for a few years but that did not discourage the children! They danced with enthusiasm and excitement, and all had a really lovely time. Thank you to parents for respecting our request to not spectate from a distance, I know it must have been tempting when you have been so involved with our previous May Day celebrations. The film will be uploaded shortly and a link shared with you.

Welcome to Rosie Hawes who has joined our staff team for the Summer term. Rosie is working as a Teaching Assistant in Nethercote class with Miss Palmer and Mrs Rolfe.

Ruby Burgess has also joined us in Rousham class completing her final teaching practice working with Oxford Brookes University.

I hope you all have a good weekend.

Lauren Murrey

Reading Books

Please can I remind Medcroft and Nethercote children and parents that book bags with reading books and record books should be brought into school every day. Thank you.



Food Bank

Thank you to Neil Wilson and Rachel Strachen for donating money from the sale of mugs with the picture of the wildlife mural they painted on their garage doors. This has raised £164 towards the school.



May Day

We danced, skipped, plaited and clapped whilst the sun shone early in the morning. The children all really enjoyed their maypole, stick and sword dances and it was great to be together as a school.

Our May Queen was Daisy E our May King was Reggie C-B. Georgie L and Skyla T were our flower girls and Ashton W and Tommy H were our crown carriers. Well done all, you performed your roles brilliantly.

School Census Day : Thursday 20th May

Our school meal funding for the next financial year is based on the number of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who have a school meal on Thursday 20th May. If your child is in these year groups there is no charge as meals are funded by the Government. Please support the school by encouraging your child to try a school lunch on this day.

Menu changes

Thursday 20th May: Oven Baked Breaded Fish Fillet or Cheesy Pinwheel or Jacket Potato; dessert is Iced Fruit Smoothie

Friday 21st May: Turkey Meatballs with Gravy or Tomato Pasta Bake or Jacket Potato; dessert is Iced

Raspberry Sponge



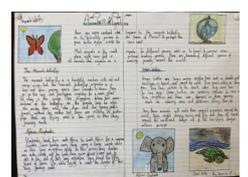
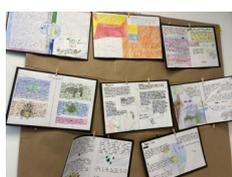
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EASTER HOLIDAYS TRAIL—thank you to everyone who joined in with our Easter Trail. The winner was a girl called Anna who was with her grandparents in Tackley over Easter - well done Anna.

BAGS2SCHOOL—Thank you to everyone for the amazing collection of bags—together we've raised **£171** which we believe is the highest we've ever raised! Your donations are very much appreciated. Check future newsletters for confirmation of our next collection.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND CERTIFICATES

VALUES	Medcroft	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
30th April	Jack Ch—Curiosity	Valentina B & Billy C—Curiosity	Natalia A—Responsibility	Alex C—Curiosity
7th May	Lexi—Responsibility	Jack F—Kindness	Albert M—Kindness	Alfie I—Kindness



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READING	Reception	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
25 Reads		Louie T		
50 Reads		James L		
75 Reads		Stella O'M		
100 Reads	James P			Alfie I
125 Reads			Max D	
150 Reads		Phoebe T	Albert M	
175 Reads			Sienna I	
200 Reads		Sophie H	Arran LP, Pippa M	

NUMBOTS	Nethercote
<p>Most Improved 30th April 7th May</p> <p>Most increased in levels passed</p>	<p>Anna H Louie T Valentina B James L Valentina B Sophie H</p> <p>James L Phoebe T Sophie H</p>

NUMBOTS - Change in Levels
<p>Iron—Phoebe T Tin—James L Brass—James L</p>

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS	Harborne	Rousham
<p>30th April Most improved speed Highest number of coins earned</p> <p>7th May Most improved speed Highest number of coins earned</p>	<p>Max D Benjamin B Grace H Lilly S Arann LP Martina FM</p> <p>Elinor L Benjamin B Jack J Grace FG Sienna I Arann LP</p>	<p>Selina K Alex C Millie OS Ben M Fergus P Emily B</p> <p>Daisy E Selina K Islay LP Lewis F Matteo S Lyla S</p>

Class Learning Focus

Medcroft Class—We have really enjoyed reading the story; Have You Seen My Hat? We predicted what we thought was going to happen and got to know the characters really well as we shared the text. We then realised the bear had left his hat at Forest School and had to hunt for it. A few days later the bear actually turned up in our outside area and was very sad as he couldn't find his hat, so we made lots of new ones for him!

Nethercote Class—This week we are celebrating Maths and have been working hard on fractions! Year 1 have been learning how to find half of a shape or amount and drawing pizzas with equal toppings. Year two have been learning about equivalent fractions and finding $\frac{3}{4}$ of a shape and amount. Our handwriting hero this week is Felix. Mrs Rolfe was amazed at how carefully he was forming his letters and sounds in phonics, and I have been very impressed with how much care and attention he has given his work. Keep up the good work Felix!

Harborne Class- Harborne have had a great couple of weeks and have been working incredibly hard. In English we have been learning about non-chronological reports with an architectural focus. The children have really enjoyed working like an Architect, drawing rooms using symbols, producing clear lines and using rulers. This week, we shared our final houses we had designed as small groups and I was really impressed with how confidently the children presented their work and ideas. In Maths we have been recapping and deepening our money knowledge using coins to add, subtract, compare and estimate. In Topic we have started learning about Europe, the children have expanded their knowledge about the countries in Europe and have been working hard with their mapping skills. They have worked hard creating PowerPoints for a country of their choice and have been focussing on some key presentation skills such as inserting videos and images into slides, changing font and colour, using text boxes and applying backgrounds.

Rousham Class—For the last couple of weeks Rousham have been focussing on improving their writing. Not only have we been looking at how to make our content and structure brilliant, we have also worked on presentation and producing fabulous double page spreads to show off our work. We completed reports about animal migration and also researched Sir Isaac Newton in Science and wrote this up. You can see some photos of this at the bottom of the first page. I am so impressed with the standard of work, well done Rousham!