



Dear Parents

The children really enjoyed their STEAM learning day this week and I was very impressed with them confidently telling me in Celebration assembly today that the skills you needed to be a good scientist were: resilience, perseverance and patience. The STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) knowledge and learning are a challenge for children in different way—there is not always a right answer first time and that is a great skill to learn and take forwards.

As the weather has begun to change and get cooler please can you make sure that your child comes to school with a coat or suitable warm layer. We always try and get outside for breaktime whatever the weather, and so it is important that children come to school well prepared for this.

I wanted to pass on my thanks to Miss Barnhill for her work with classes this week on Remembrance Day, the children were thoughtful and reflective.

Lauren Murrey

## House Captains and School Council

Congratulations to our new House Captains and Vice Captains for the year:

<p><b><u>Copse</u></b>            Captain: Stan L            Vice Captain: Florence H</p>	<p><b><u>Grove</u></b>            Captain: Alfie I            Vice Captain: Oliver F</p>	<p><b><u>Heath</u></b>            Captain: George D            Vice Captain: Lilly S</p>	<p><b><u>Spinney</u></b>            Captain: Carla FM            Vice Captain: Max D</p>
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and to our School Council representatives:

Chair: George D

Year 1: Lilah B

Year 2: Felix L

Secretaries: Ben M and Ruby R

Year 3: James L

Year 4: Natalia A

Year 5: Grace H and Edith T

Year 6: Millie O'S

## School Council—by George D, Chair of School Council

Last Thursday we had our first School Council meeting of the year. We discussed KiVa and the new buddy bench, kindly donated by former pupil Clemmie. If anyone is lonely they can sit there and a member of School Council will try and help them.

## School Photos

Please return all orders to school by Thursday 18th November as the photographer will be picking them up on Friday 19th November.

## After School Club : Autumn Term 2

We have closed the form for the After School Club bookings for this term. There are places available every day so if you would like places for your child please email the office, [Office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:Office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk) , or phone, 01869 331327, to confirm.

## Remembrance Day—by Miss Barnhill

For Remembrance Day this year I chose to focus on a handful of individuals from Britain's Armed Forces, whose actions illustrate our school's learning values of Responsibility and Kindness. On two afternoons this week, I spent time with Harborne and Rousham, looking at the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior and the lives of:

Second Lieutenant Walter Tull

Nurse Edith Cavell

Captain Noel Chavasse

Second Lieutenant Wilfred Owen

Nurse Nellie Spindler



For our whole school Remembrance, we looked at three servicemen whose stories teach us the importance of perseverance, resilience, and that sometimes stubbornness can be good thing.

Boy Seaman First Class Jack Cornwell

Group Captain Sir Douglas Bader

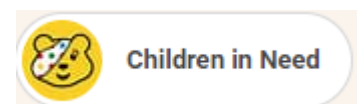
Colour Sergeant Johnson Beharry

I was very impressed with the questions children asked and extremely proud of their thoughtful responses.

## Children in Need—Friday 19th November

This year we are having a non-uniform day on Friday 19th November for a donation of £1 towards Children in Need. Harborne and Rousham classes need to bring their PE kit into school to change into for cricket.

Children can also bring coppers and small change into school to take part in a House competition and can have a go at the 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' competition for 20p!





## Our Week in Medcroft Class

We have had a super busy and fun filled week in Medcroft. This week we have been looking at people that help us and have been lucky enough to have some very important people come and visit us. On Wednesday, Chris the Paramedic came into our classroom to tell us more about how he helps people. We got to learn lots more about what a paramedic does and enjoyed exploring, trying on and testing out all his kit. On Friday, local fire-fighter Chris shared more about his job and what makes a good fire-fighter. We also had an open morning and afternoon and got to meet lots of new friends!



## Reception Admission for 2022/2023

Online applications for children for Reception Year entry in September 2022 can now be submitted online, the deadline for completion is **Saturday 15th January 2022**. The link for applications is <http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions>, The 15th January closing date is extremely important, as late applications will not be considered until May 2022 after the first offers have been made. Parents with older children already in the school do still need to apply for a place for a younger child. It is not automatic that a younger sibling will be offered a place. All parents must submit an application. If you know any parents looking for Reception school places please encourage them to arrange a visit.

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND CERTIFICATES

VALUES	Medcroft	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
<b>5th Nov</b>	Curiosity—Evie-Mai J	Responsibility—Alfie P	Curiosity—Grace HT	Responsibility—Fergus P
<b>12th Nov</b>	Responsibility—Nathan E	Responsibility—Tommy H	Curiosity—Martina FM	Curiosity—Ruby R

READING	Reception	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
<b>25 Reads</b>				George D, Max D, Millie O'S, Lilly S
<b>50 Reads</b>	Ruby EH, Scarlett S, George T	Livvy B, Jack Ca, George C, Tilly G, Tommy H, Laurie L, Esther L, Lydia L, Alfie P	Jack F, Sophie H, Sienna I, Alex J, Elinor L, Albert M, Phoebe T	Arann LP, Ben M

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS	Harborne	Rousham
<b>5th November</b> Most improved speed Highest number of coins earned	Jack F, Grace FG, Katie F Jack F, Grace FG, Katie F	Billy B Ben M, Billy B, Pippa M
<b>12th November</b> Most improved speed Highest increase in coins earned	Jack F, Grace FG, Katie F Jack F, Grace FG, Katie F	Billy B, Grace H, George D Ben M, Fergus P. Oliver F

NUMBOTS	Nethercote
<b>5th November</b> Biggest increase in coins earned Highest improvement in accuracy	Livvy B, Laurie L, Fin R Percy M, Esther L, Lilah B
<b>12th November</b> Biggest increase in correct answers Highest improvement in accuracy	Lydia L, Lilah B, Esther L Heidi L, Lydia L, Tilly G

	Weekly Awards
<b>5th Nov</b>	Reader : Grace HT Writer : Evie M
<b>12th Nov</b>	Reader : Jack Ch Writer : Jack Ch