

**** Ashton First School News ****

Thursday 25th October 2018



We finished this half term with a lovely family assembly where the Reception children thanked their buddies for looking after them so well as they started school. The Year 5 pupils have been so helpful and kind, and as a result the Reception pupils are now all happily settled at school.

I hope you all have a good half term and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 5th November. Enjoy your extra day tomorrow.

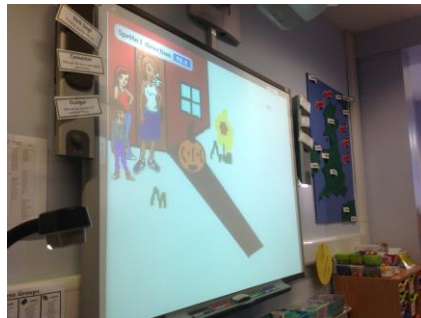
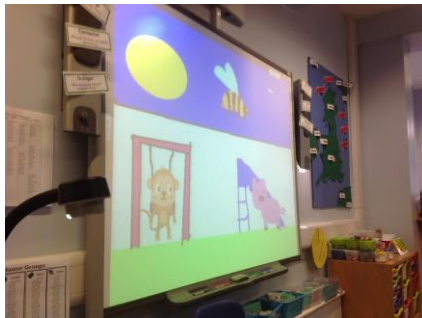
Acorn This week we have been detectives, finding out about what life was like 100 years ago. We looked at photographs to find out what clothes people would have worn then. We have also been learning some songs and poems that children 100 years ago may have known.

Hawthorn

In our class we have started addition and subtraction and have been using different resources to help us add on and subtract 10s and 1s to different numbers. The children have also been writing their own mixed up fairy tale bringing in all their ideas that we have been working on over the last couple of weeks. Stories that they have developed include where Red Riding Hood met the Gingerbread Man or where Cinderella and Rapunzel are living together in a lovely cottage!



Willow



We finished our Scratch animations this week. We shared them with the class and evaluated our design. We learned how to add sound and send and receive a message.

Oak

This week we have been investigating our local history by finding out about the soldiers who fought at war from the local area. We started by looking at the roll of honor to identify the names of those who fought and used census data, the school log book, electoral role and the monthly magazine to make connections. We were then joined by Mr Archer who helped us to find out more by using the ancestry website.

Poppy Appeal 2018 When we come back after half term we will have poppies and other items from The Royal British Legion available for sale. A member of the School Council will be on the gate at the start of each day.

School Photos – if you are ordering your photos through school, please send the envelopes with payment back no later than **Wednesday 7th November**

Ashton Free Church are holding a Big Quiz Night on Saturday 17th November at 7.30pm in Ashton Village Hall. Tickets are £5 per person and proceeds go to Tearfund. Further details from admin@ashtonchapel.org.uk or call Andrew on 01386 88145 / David on 01386 881402.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sapphire House who were House Point Champions for this half term with 348 house points. Ruby were a very close second with 345 points.



****Class Catering **** – please log into your ParentPay account to order your child’s lunches for next half term.

Acorn & Hawthorn Classes – don’t make any booking for **Monday 12th November** as this is the day of their visit to Cheltenham Synagogue and the Wilson Museum. The children will need to bring a packed lunch from home on that day.

All Classes - CHRISTMAS LUNCH will be on **Wednesday 12th December**. This cannot be booked and paid for through ParentPay. The cost will be £3.50 and a separate order form will be sent after half term.

Greatest Showman Party Thank you to everyone who attended this event a couple of Saturdays ago, I was blown away with how amazing the barn looked and the effort everyone had gone to with their costumes. A huge thank you to Becki and her team who organised the event . The money raised will be split between Ashton First School and the Alzheimer’s society.



Spooky Spectacular at the Evesham Almonry – if you’re looking for something to do during the half term, you could follow the family trail around the museum at the Evesham Almonry and make a Halloween Lantern. Trail & craft pack costs £1. For further details visit: www.almonryevesham.org.

The Local Authority is holding a Consultation on the admission arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools for the academic year 2020/2021. This consultation is open to all relevant parents and the documents can be viewed in full at the following link:

[View consultation documents for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools](#)

Consultation will close on 7th December 2018.

Stars of the week

Maisie for her lovely attitude and for being a lovely friend to others

Willow for good listening and speaking

Faye for her lovely attitude to all her work and for doing her very best

Phoebe for always being polite and helpful in class

Bethany for always trying so hard in all lessons

Honey for super work in Maths and English

Harry for great hockey skills and encouraging his team members

Eden for super computing skills and working well with a partner

Francesca for working well with a partner and for a creative animation design

Felix for producing a great quality sports commentary

Scarlett for super work with prime numbers

Lawrence for being our class expert on Semaphore, Morse Code and Caesar Cipher

Dates for the Diary:

07/11/18 Forest School Reception

08/11/18 Forest School Year 1

08/11/18 Swimming Oak Class final session

08/11/18 Football Tournament at Evesham United

09/11/18 T4U boxes being collected

09/11/18 Act of Remembrance in Family assembly

12/11/18 KS1 trip

13/11/18 Parents Evening 4.30 – 7.20 pm

14/11/18 Cluster Cross Country Years 4 and 5

14/11/18 Parents Evening 3.30 – 5.20pm

15/11/18 Willow Swimming starts

16/11/18 Children In Need Fundraising organised by The School Council

21/12/18 End of term



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