

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

Friday 29th March 2019



With the beautiful spring like weather our thoughts have been turning to our outside space and we have even been able to use the school field at lunchtime. This week a group of pupils attended a workshop at Worcestershire Wildlife Trust and over the next few weeks they will be working with Mrs Shiels to help us all create a better environment for wildlife in our school.

Please come along to our first Parent Forum on Monday just after drop off or if you can't make it but would like to be involved in future discussions please let us know.

We have attached the latest E Safety update to this newsletter, we hope you are finding these useful.

Good luck to everyone involved in the show this weekend.

Acorn



In our indoor PE lessons this term we have been doing gymnastics. We have been finding different ways of travelling and balancing on different parts of our bodies. This week we did some great balance sequences on the big apparatus.



Hawthorn

Our topic in Computing over the last few weeks has been "We are Games Testers". The children have been trying out different games and have been working out the algorithms that are used to make the games work. We have played "Addition Race", "Scratch Tennis" and "Light Bot" amongst others. This week the children chose their favourite games to play to see if they could remember how each worked and whether they could improve on previous scores.



Willow

This week, we have been writing a setting description about the city in the book 'Varjak Paw'. The children used pastels to create the tall towers and bright colours of the Metropolis. We have also been using Lego to learn about fractions.





Oak

We have been editing our instructional videos on how to throw a Frisbee during our computing lessons this week. We have learnt how to import our videos into Windows movie maker then use the different tools to shorten clips and add titles to help explain the process step by step.

House Points

Apologies to the House Captains as I inadvertently read out the total house points for last week in assembly. Diamond is currently in the lead with a magnificent 389 House Points and the tokens are getting close to the top of the jar with two weeks still to go!

Earth Hour

This Saturday at 8.30pm is Earth Hour where everyone around the world is encouraged to use as little electricity as possible. This global initiative is "to give a voice to people everywhere who want to put the world on a path to recovery." See www.earthhour.org for more information. Switch off the lights and be part of the change!

REMEMBER THE CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD THIS WEEKEND!!

Star learners:

- Edward for working hard with his reading and blending sounds together.
- Henry for being sensible and helpful and for some superb work with his maths.
- Esme for great focus, catching up and great writing
- Savannah for great independent writing
- Alice for showing determination and persevering with new concepts
- Levi for great editing skills in Computing
- Charles for a great effort and attitude in lessons
- Natty for his super fraction work in maths lessons.

Dates for the Diary:

- 03/04/19 Forest School Reception
- 03/04/19 Netball tournament
- 04/04/19 NO Swimming Hawthorn**
- 04/04/19 KS2 Trip – ALL TO BRING A PACKED LUNCH
- 05/04/19 Forest school Year 1
- 09/04/19 School Play Afternoon and Evening performances
- 10/04/19 Swimming Gala
- 10/04/19 School Play Evening performance.
- 11/04/19 Eco Morning
- 12/04/19 End of Spring Term

Congratulations to Amelie and Eden who took part in the K'Nex final last week.



Well done Felix, who had an article published in The Week (a newspaper for children).



