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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

# Year 4 Outdoor Day!

Year 4 explored the Woodland Walk on Wednesday all day. The children showed all of our values throughout and we were so impressed by their creativity and positivity during the day. We started the day learning about the country cross code and how we can show this within our woodland. We then went down to the Woodland Walk and challenged ourselves to build something that would protect an egg when being dropped from a height. We did this to build on our teambuilding skills and how we show respect to those we are working with, even if they have different ideas to ourselves. Next, we spent the afternoon focusing on children's mental health week and doing activities that showed different ways we are unique and celebrated these.



"I like how we all had to explore the woodland." - Sofia, 4D

"I"I enjoyed making the different things that showed the hobbies and things about us" -Riaan, 4R

"I loved how we did it in groups and as a year group and we got lots of fresh air!" – Arthur, 4R

"I liked the egg drop activity because it was very fun and eggy!" - Stella, 4D







## Year R Parent Information Session and Year 4 MTC Workshop

Thank you to all of the parents who took time out of their busy schedules to come and enjoy some Maths with their children and learn about Mastering Number in Year R. It was amazing to see so many children confidently and eagerly sharing what they have learned about number sense with their parents!

Just a reminder for parents of Year 4 children - we will be holding a Parent Information Session regarding the Year 4 Multiplication Check on the 12<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm. More information to follow after February half-term!





#### **Year 5 Outdoor Day**



On Tuesday we had our spring term outdoor day. It was chilly, but we wrapped up warm and had a great day! We began with the task of having to find natural materials to build the tallest free-standing structure we could. We used sticks, leaves and vines and tried to be creative in how we attached this all together to make the structure strong. We then played a really fun maths game where in pairs, we needed to collect 20 natural objects. We took it in turns to take either one, two or three of the items and the person who took the last item lost! We had to use our skills to work out how

to win every time! We also enjoyed a range of other activities such as: orienteering, mental health bingo, observational drawing of leaves and a drama activity, where in groups we acted out a section of Wonder which is the book we're reading in class. The hot chocolate and biscuits also went down very well!

"It was so much fun! I enjoyed all the games!" Elizabeth 5S

"My favourite part was the hot chocolate and biscuits!" Hailey 5S

"The experience was great! I loved the fresh air as it gives me a good mindset and relaxes me. I loved it so much!" Charlie 5W









#### Safer Internet Day 2025

On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February, children and adults will be celebrating Safer Internet Day in school. This year's theme is 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'. Children will be involved in whole-class discussions and activities, assemblies and even some BBC Live Lessons throughout the day. Attached with this week's newsletter is an additional document with some links to allow you to get involved at home as well! Keep an eye out for our next Online Safety Newsletter with details of some of our celebrations to mark Safer Internet Day this year.



saferinternetday.org.uk

# **Maths Shed**

One more week to go for this half-term's Maths Shed leader board! Who is going to claim the top spot? Will be it 4R, who slipped into 3<sup>rd</sup> place this week or will it be 5S, who have managed to keep 1<sup>st</sup> place all half-term long? Only time will tell!

## <u>Classes</u>

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Place** – 5S

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 6C

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 4R

# **Individuals**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Skye, Year 6

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Ben S., Year 5

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Finley, Year 4



Just a reminder that beginning next half-term, we will be changing our maths competitions to be focused on Times Tables Rockstars! Stay tuned for what those competitions will look like.

# **Spelling Shed**

Wow! Another amazing week from 5S. Can anyone beat them before the end of the half term? Well done Vlad for topping the individual board once again. The competition between Daniel and Finley upped a notch this week, with the two of them switching 2nd and 3rd places from last week. Great effort boys – well done.

#### Classes

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 5S

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 2B

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 4R

# **Individuals**

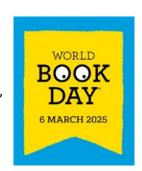
1<sup>st</sup> Place – Vlad, Year 5

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Daniel, Year 4

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Finley, Year 4

#### **World Book Day**

This year, World Book Day falls on Thursday 6th March. As a school, we have decided to create our own 'Human Library' this year(!), replacing our 'Dress as word' run in previous years. The children will need to choose a book that they would like to recommend to their friends. On the day, children can either bring in a prop that represents their book or dress up in an outfit of their choice that represents their book – this could be a character, setting, the author or anything else that has inspired them in their book. We wanted to give you plenty of notice so that the children can think about what book they would like to recommend to their friends. We look forward to seeing all the different book choices and discussing these with them on World Book Day.



Reading Trails
Congratulations to the following children for completing their bronze reading trail.
Felix 1HW
Caspar 4D
Safia 6C
Congratulations to the following children for completing their silver reading trail.
Edward 1HW
Blake 3B
Esme 3B
Angel 4D
Congratulations to the following children for completing their sapphire reading trail.
Violet 1W
Peter 2MS
Hattie 2MS
Orla 3S
Yasmin 3S
Nathan A 5S
Congratulations to the following children for completing their <b>gold</b> reading trail.
Alan 2B
Arthur R-W 3S
Toby 3S
Tom 3S
Louis 3B
Finally, huge congratulations to the following children for completing their final <b>Reading Ambassador</b> reading trail.
Freya 2MS
Maya 3S
Arthur D 3S
Noah 3B
Well done to all of the children that have completed the trails so far and have received their badges. There is plenty of time still to complete them. Don't forget to bring them back to the library to receive your badge and the next trail in the competition.



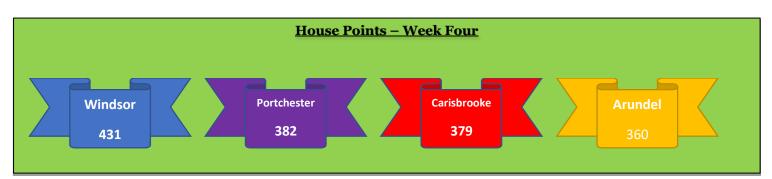
15TH - 17TH APRIL 9AM-3PM

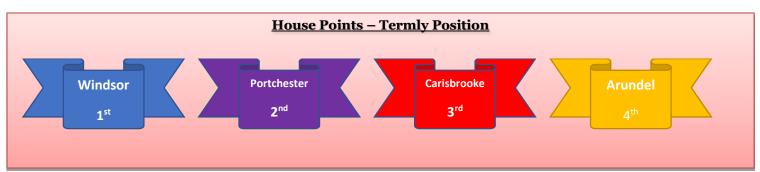
For more info & to Book Your Place:

# WWW.BOOKWHEN.COM/WOODLANDADVENTURES GEMMA ON - 07779780228

10% discount on bookings made before 31st March & Funded places available - please enquire







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