



OJS WEEKLY UPDATE

11th March 2022

Message from Mrs Sheridan and Mrs Elwill

History Week

This week has been full of historical learning throughout the year groups.

Year 6

“In History this week, we have learnt many important facts about World War Two.

At the start of the week, we were learning about evacuees and composed a letter as one. Some people that were evacuated were: young children, pregnant women, people with disabilities and many more.

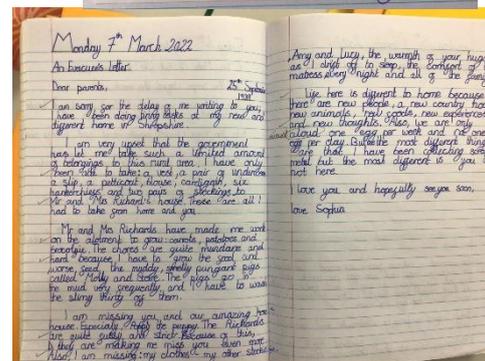
We also learnt about rationing and how much an adult would receive as their weekly allowance. For example, they were only allowed 100g of sweets. Afterwards, we continued to learn more about World War Two and how the Battle of Britain took place.

We then learnt about women in World War Two, who had an important role, as well as Commonwealth soldiers. Women took over men’s jobs and some joined the Women’s Land Army.

At the end of the week, we learnt about the Holocaust and all the people who suffered in it. Through this, we were able to explore the life of inspirational figures such as Nicholas Winton.”

Rationing - the rations an adult would receive per week

| Item: | My guess: | Amount: |
|------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Milk | 3 pints ✓ | |
| Meat | 450 grams ✓ | |
| Eggs | 1 ✓ | |
| Cheese | 400 grams | 90 grams |
| Bacon | 400 grams | 100 grams |
| Tea | 300 grams | 60 grams |
| Sugar | 100 grams | 230 grams |
| Margarine/fats | 100 grams | 230 grams |
| Sweets/chocolate | 120 grams | 100 grams |



By Scarlett (Year 6)

Unfortunately, war still remains with us due to the terrible situation in Ukraine. We cannot thank you enough for your donations.

Year 4



Year 4 hot seated Emperor Claudius to advise him about the reasons for and against invading Britain!

Year 5

This week Year 5 have been continuing to learn all about the Vicious Vikings!

We have been learning about the Viking struggle for power, Viking place names and where they settled on the Wirral, Viking gods and what they believed about the afterlife.

Our fantastic historians have also been able to use their archaeological skills to understand how artefacts tell us more about the Viking way of life!



Year 3

Year 3 have been studying Ancient Egypt this week and have produced some amazing work!

Ancient Egypt

Year 3 have been exploring Ancient Egypt this week. They have found out about:

- the features of Ancient Egyptian life,
- Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb,
- and what crime and punishment was like in Ancient Egypt.

Thursday 10th March
Ancient Egyptian crime and punishment

Wednesday 9th March

Carter's Discovery

the water was

In summer 1922 I discovered something amazing. Being bossed around was ~~frustrating~~ annoying. I have been digging for days and my boss doesn't do anything. He's a bit lazy. My boss said, 'I have been paying you to need something in return. I will give you one last year. If I don't get anything in return, I will stop paying you.' I felt so down-hearted, he gave me all the money for nothing but I will keep trying though. The water boy shouted at all of us. I walked to him he said 'Look! I found a stone step. We should dig more steps we should.' I said 'we dig more until... we found a stone door. I tried to budge it open but it won't move a single bit. It finally opened. Every one found me following me. There was another door. I opened it up but all it was an empty room.' Boring, said Lord Carnon.

nice hyphen!

new speaker. new line

SUPER WORK

Egypt

We have circled the features that you wouldn't find in Ancient Egypt.

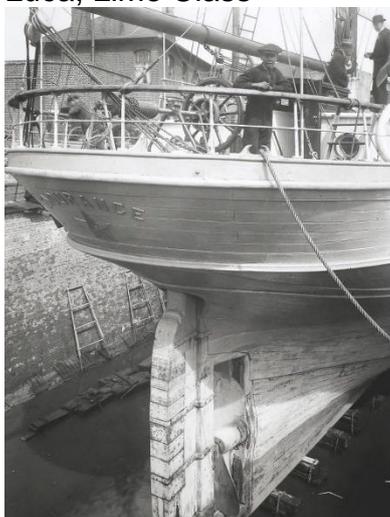
Endurance Found!

'Endurance was a ship used during the Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition led by the great Ernest Shackleton in 1914 - 1917. Deep into its journey, the crew faced a major problem: The Endurance was stuck in pack ice! Over time, she was crushed beyond repair and eventually sank to the bottom of the Weddell Sea.

On Saturday 5th March 2022, after decades of searching, the wreckage of Endurance was finally discovered on the 100th anniversary of Shackleton's funeral. Despite the wreck laying at the sea bed for 107 years, she was found upright and in brilliant condition.

In Year 6, we were so excited to learn that the ship, from our Autumn term English text, had finally been found. We watched the videos of the wreckage and were amazed at the condition it was found in.'

Luca, Lime Class



OJS Exhibition – Wednesday 6th April

We are delighted to announce the return of the Overchurch Exhibition on **Wednesday 6th April 2022**.

At the end of each term, we celebrate our learning by showcasing classwork and homework at the Overchurch Exhibition.

As part of this day, we ask the children to complete one project at home to display in the exhibition. It should be brought into school by **Tuesday 5th April** labelled with your child's name.

Further details will be shared next week with a timetable of visiting times.

Thank you for your help and support,

The choice of project topics for each year group can be found in the Letters for You section of the ParentApp.

Term Time Leave

We have had a number of parents requesting leave of absence to go on family holidays. Often the reason for this is that a family holiday was missed because of Covid. As you will appreciate this is not an exceptional circumstance as it affected everybody and therefore these absences cannot be authorised.

Covid Self-Isolation

Some parents have asked for clarification around what actions need to be taken when a pupil tests positive for COVID. Government guidelines state that testing should not be done before day 5 (including the first day when the positive test result was given). Self-isolation is necessary for the first 5 days.

A negative test on both days 5 and 6, 24 hours apart, means that self- isolation can then finish.

Weekly Subject Focus

Each week we focus on a different subject which includes taking part in projects and conducting experiments. This helps to give the children a more in-depth knowledge of the subject as well as a greater interest. For your information, please see below the schedule of our weekly subject focus for this half term.

| | |
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| Week Commencing 14 th March 2022 | Geography Week |
| Week Commencing 21 st March 2022 | Science Week Years 5 & 6 Computing Week Years 3 & 4 |
| Week Commencing 28 th March 2022 | Design & Technology Week |
| Week Commencing 4 th April 2022 | Science Week Years 3 & 4 Computing Week Year 5 & 6 |
| EASTER BREAK | |



This Week's Class Attendance Figures

| | | | |
|----------|-------|--------------|------|
| Apple | 90.3 | Cherry | 95 |
| Ash | 93.75 | Pine | 79.1 |
| Larch | 88.3 | Silver Birch | 89.2 |
| Beech | 95 | Lime | 90.7 |
| Hawthorn | 64.7 | Rowan | 91.3 |
| Willow | 95 | Sycamore | 85.5 |

As a school we must achieve at least 96% attendance.

It's a three-way tie! Congratulations to Beech, Willow and Cherry classes for winning this week's class attendance and the overall school attendance with 95%! This class will receive extra MUGA time and 5 respect points for each class member.

This week's winner of lower school attendance are Beech and Willow classes with 95%. This class will receive 3 respect points for each class member.

This week's winner of upper school is Cherry class with 95%. This class will receive 3 respect points for each class member



Star Readers

This week's Star Readers are:

| | | | |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Apple - | <i>Amelia H</i> | Cherry - | <i>Bess B</i> |
| Ash - | <i>Oscar H</i> | Pine - | <i>James J</i> |
| Larch - | <i>Alfie M</i> | Silver Birch - | <i>Alfie H</i> |
| Beech - | <i>Zack L</i> | Lime - | <i>Jessica C</i> |
| Hawthorn - | <i>James T</i> | Rowan - | <i>Dylan D-C</i> |
| Willow - | <i>Emme S</i> | Sycamore - | <i>Cordelia G</i> |

Congratulations to all our Star Readers this week.

Keep up the great work everybody!



Excellence Award Winners

| | | | |
|------------|------------|----------------|-----------|
| Apple - | Dexter B | Cherry - | Bess B |
| Ash - | Reuben C | Pine - | Belle S |
| Larch - | Holly J | Silver Birch - | Rebecca I |
| Beech - | Emily L | Lime - | Harley J |
| Hawthorn - | Max F | Rowan - | Samuel G |
| Willow - | Harrison G | Sycamore - | Jayden B |

Well Done to All!!



The Food Pantry

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Opening times will be:

Friday 11th March 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Monday 14th March 8.30am - 9.30am

There will be a wide range of dried and tinned goods available for anyone who would like to come in and fill up a bag. You can fill a bag for yourself, a family member or a neighbour.



We will also be serving tea and coffee at these times. Please ensure that you bring shopping bags.



As well as the Food Pantry, there will also be a School Uniform Exchange. We know that due to lockdowns, families have good quality, hardly worn uniforms that children have outgrown. So, we thought we could start swap scheme to help recycle uniforms. If you do not have any uniform to swap, don't worry you are more than welcome to come along and pick up some items.

So, come along with your uniforms to swap and bags to fill!

Let's do this! **Let's reduce, recycle and reuse.**



Covid Vaccinations for Children – Update

Children aged 5 to 11 years who are in a clinical risk group or who live with someone who is immunosuppressed can get the COVID-19 vaccine, in line with advice set out by the [Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation \(JCVI\)](#). Eligible children include those with diabetes, immunosuppression, learning disabilities, and other conditions as outlined by the [UK Health Security Agency \(UKHSA\) in the Green Book](#).

Vaccinations help to increase protection against COVID-19, which is particularly important for those with underlying health conditions.

Further information is available in the [guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years](#) published by UKHSA. We have published some [frequently asked questions](#) on the vaccination programme including information on eligibility, accessibility and advice for parents of children at high risk from COVID-19. Following [advice](#) from the JCVI, healthy 5 to 11 year old children will also be offered two 10 microgram doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. The NHS will prepare to extend this non-urgent offer to all children during April.