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## News for this week

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### Hello from school

It has been wonderful to see children attending clubs after school. It really feels as though we are returning to a level of normality and the children are really enjoying them. We are very grateful to staff members running them.

A big thank you to Mr Acs-Kovacs for the mini service he carried out on the Y6 bikes. He has kindly offered to extend this offer to Year 5's. So, any Y5's who would like their bikes checked should bring them to school on 14th May. A name and service card will follow later this week.

### MIND

The children loved all their activities last week for the MIND challenge. A reminder that all sponsor money needs to be in by Friday 7th May. We have raised just over £300 so far, so well done everyone!

### Rags 2 Riches

Next Tuesday 11th May is the next Rags 2 Riches collection day. The organisers have now informed us that they are not supplying bags as they are all still working from home, so please use black bags or equivalent this time. Please ensure that all bags are in by 9am.



### The Big Ask

Dame Rachel de Souza the Children's Commissioner for England has asked all children to take part in an online survey. It is the biggest ever survey of children in England and is available to all children in school. It is an anonymous survey with four different age groups. Please go to [www.thebigask.uk](http://www.thebigask.uk) to complete.

### Trampoline

One of the activities in last weeks MIND challenge was trampolining. Here are the Year 2's having a wonderful time. Some of you may not know that we have 2 full size trampolines in school for the children to use.



### Diary dates...

#### May

- 5th Guitar lessons  
PE Y3/Y4
- 6th PE Reception
- 7th PE Y1/Y2
- 10th Drum lessons
- 11th Rags 2 Riches collection  
Piano lessons  
String lessons  
PE—Y5/Y6  
Forest school—Y4
- 12th Guitar lessons  
PE—Y3/Y4
- 13th Piano lessons  
PE—Reception
- 14th PE Y1/Y2
- 31st BANK HOLIDAY

#### June

- 1st—4th Half term
- 7th Inset day
- 8th First day of term 6

### Lunch accounts

Another reminder to keep your child's lunch account in credit so that they don't fall into arrears.

### Jigsaw

Can we please ask that Jigsaw accounts are kept up to date. If you need to cancel any days, please give three days notice to avoid being charged.

## Reception

We have finished writing about our new character. We have created a magical land and are starting to change how we get to it.. In Maths, we have been measuring and weighing lots of different objects and putting them in order. We made some playdough and have enjoyed playing with it.

## Year 1

We are starting to learn about Cacao and how the beans of the tree are used for making chocolate. Also, the children are still keen to make and present picture and objects linked to our work on space. Here is Alice with her lovely galaxy picture she did at home.

We also enjoyed our dancing challenge for MIND.



## Year 2

We planned the problem in our story 'Little Owl'. By Amelie.

We sketched animals, I sketched an owl. By Tippi.

We looked at the detail in our sketches. By Ivy.

Our Mrs Wordsmith word is 'try', to persevere with tasks.

## Year 3

Mr White, our Natures Racers teacher, has been showing us how to build our weather station using recycled materials.

Time and clocks have been tricky in Maths this week.

## Year 4

I have really enjoyed practising up levelling my writing in English. My sentences are amazing now! By Kyrah.

I have enjoyed learning how to multiply 2 digit by 3 digit numbers. It was really hard to start with but now I can do it really well! By Bella.

## Year 5

We finished learning about Anglo-Saxon crime and punishment.

In Maths we have been learning about angles.

In PSHE we learnt about sleep and how important it is to get plenty of sleep.

In Art, we have been looking at the artist Kandinsky and his abstract angle work.

## Year 6

This week in Art, we have been making Highwayman masks out of card and felt.

In Maths, we have finished looking at 3D shapes and are now revisiting our learning.

In English, we are writing a story called 'Bess's warning'.

We really enjoyed our bench ball lesson in PE yesterday and are looking forward to our class rounders club after school tomorrow.

## Value Badges

I would like to nominate Alexander and Oliver for a service badge. They decided to give some of their toys away to Stroud Food Bank because they felt another boys or girls would like them. I'm really proud of them for doing something for the community and caring about others who haven't got many things.

From Mum.

I would like to nominate Samuel and Thomas for a value badge During this year we decided that they should form a social bubble with their 93 year old grandad so that he could maintain regular contact with them. On our weekly visits to help do house and gardening jobs to keep their grandad's house up-together. They also take time to play a game of snakes and ladders, which he really enjoys. We are really proud that both boys are so eager to help.

From Mummy and Daddy

I would like a Service badge for Oliver and Max for cleaning up litter in the park. They saw that litter had been dropped and wanted to improve the environment. Love mummy and daddy.

Perseverance badge for Luke from Lexi for persevering with his reading.

Friendship badge from Primrose to Elsie for always being a really good friend.

# Stars of the week

## Reception



## Year 1



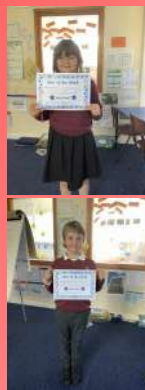
## Year 2



## Year 3



## Year 4



## Year 5



## Year 6



# Readers of the week



## Reception



## Year 1



## Year 2



## Year 3



## Year 4



## Year 5



## Year 6

## A little bit about me...

My Name is Natasha Gale, I am the current Harp Tutor for Cheltenham College, Dean Close Sch and The Cotswolds School. I teach both privat in Birmingham and across the Gloucestershire area.

I started my harp journey when I was just 8 years old (a very determined 8 year old!) I wouldn't take another instrumental suggestion - it was always the harp. In the end, I think my parents would now agree that it is probably one of the main reasons they both have good blood pressure - even during the turbulent times that we have been experiencing this last year!

The harp is a wonderfully relaxing instrument sounds beautiful from the first note. It is a very satisfying instrument both for those learning and for those pottering around the house whilst it tinkles away - the calming tones of the harp have been well documented over the centuries, from the palaces of the Ancient Greeks to the Imperial Courts of the Medieval Kings and Queens!

If you'd like to try the harp yourself or your child would like to have a go, do get in contact! Not only is learning an instrument highly rewarding but also offers a welcome escape from the stresses of modern life.

To organise a free taster harp lesson then please contact me using the information provided. All being well, socially distanced in-person harp lessons will be able to take place from the summer term. Don't worry about not having a harp already - I'll provide a harp for your lesson.



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