

OVERSTONE NEWSLETTER



June 2023

Welcome to our June newsletter. This is what we have been up to this month....

Oak Class



Year 4 visited the Living Rainforest this week. Some of us saw the sloth and all of us studied the adaptations of plants and animals who live in the rainforest. We saw leaves the size of children and a whole host of plants and animals that live in the rainforest.



Elm Class

Year 2 took part in a very important workshop this week. Katherine, who was a visitor from Hazard Alley, came to tell us all about Carbon Monoxide and how to stay safe. We loved the song Katherine taught us and the video we watched as we learnt what to do in case of an emergency. All children in Year 2 enjoyed the activities and tasks they took part in during the workshop and they had lots of fun! Here are some children's comments:

Savannah - " Carbon Monoxide is a bad gas and makes you poorly."

Ella - "Make sure to always check your alarm and clean your chimney."

Mary - " You can't smell, taste, hear, see or touch Carbon Monoxide."

Eva - "If you have Carbon Monoxide in your house, you must open windows and get pets and people out."

Sm - " Carbon Monoxide comes from cookers, fires and boilers."

Leo S. - " Learning about Carbon Monoxide has been very interesting."

Apollo - " If the flame is wobbly then there might be Carbon Monoxide but if it's blue flame then it's safe."



Acorn Class

Pre-school have been very impressed by the progress our plants!

We are growing dwarf beans and tomatoes and have been watering and monitoring them closely.

Pre-school have also enjoyed having some PE lessons with Reception so we have had lots of practise in preparation for sports day!



Beech Class

Throughout June we have enjoyed the sunshine and, where possible, we have learned outside. In Maths, the children have learned about position and direction outside, having a lot of fun. We also had all our PE lessons outside, preparing for Sports Day and improving athletics skills.



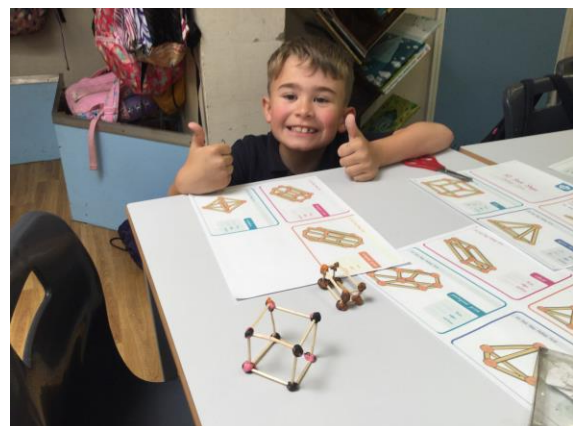
Ash Class

For the start of Summer, we decorated the last window in our window display. The children created their butterflies and added sparkly jewels to show symmetry. We have also planted and created collage sunflowers. As it has been sunny, we have been outside twice a week, with The Pre-School, to practice for Sports Day, making sure we all know what to do. In case there were injuries, we have made the home corner into a hospital and made our own posters to remind people how to stay fit and healthy. In Literacy, we have been planning our own seaside stories and in Maths, we have been thinking about odd and even numbers, looking at their pattern.



Fir Class

In Maths, Year 3 have been learning all about the properties of 3D shapes. We had a go at making them out of matchsticks and plasticine. The whole class showed great resilience with this tricky task and produced some cubes, cuboids, and even some hexagonal prisms!



Sports day

Thank you to all our parents who came to Sport's Day. The rain held off, the sun shone and a good time was had by all. The children certainly embodied our school value of 'Try your hardest' as they raced, threw, jumped and cheered their friends on in a true show of teamwork. Well done to Ascott house who won the Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 games and well done to Waddesdon house who won the Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 games. Our Pre-School and Reception Sports Day was non-competitive, so well done to all the children for their super sports skills and for earning their stickers. Thank you to Mr. Winyard and Mr. Kean for organising the events and a special thanks to the PTA for serving refreshments.



Forest School

This month has been a very busy month in Forest School. Nursery had their first fire and we cooked popcorn. Reception have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. Y1 have been looking after the allotment, doing both watering and weeding. Y2 had a go at Hapa Zome creating some lovely pictures. Y3 have been using flint and steel to light fires. Y4 made sun catchers to celebrate the summer solstice and Y5/6 have been cooking s'mores over their own fire.

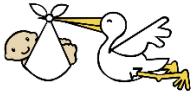


What is coming up in July

- **Tuesday 4th July** – Overstone transition day
- **Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th July** – Year 6 transition days
- **Friday 7th July** – PTA book and uniform swap
- **Monday 10th July** – Year 1 trip to the Synagogue
- **Monday 10th July** – Year 6 Leavers Performance – 6.30pm
- **Wednesday 12th July** – District Sports – KS2 – more information to follow for those taking part
- **Friday 14th July** – PTA family breakfast

- **Wednesday 19th July** – Year 6 Leaver’s Assembly at All Saints Church, Wing – 9.15am – All Year 6 families are invited
- **Wednesday 19th July** – Year 6 Leaver’s party
- **Thursday 20th July** – End of Term – 1.30pm finish for Year 6 children & 3.15/3.15 finish for the rest of the school
- **Friday 21st July** – INSET day

And Finally.....



We would like to offer our congratulations to Mrs Burgess who is expecting a baby in October. I am sure you will join me in offering Mrs Burgess, and her family, very good wishes for her new arrival next term.