



DIARY DATES ~

27th April – George's birthday party
 3rd May – Gold and Silver class trip to Greyfield woods
 7th May – Bank Holiday
 8th May – Platinum/Gold group riding
 10th May – 9:30am FOMCU AGM
 19th May – 10:30am Saturday Club

We have enjoyed welcoming the children back after what I hope was a good break for you all. **The Sport Relief café and sponsored events raised £128.72.** Many thanks for your donations towards the cause. It was good to see parents at the **Barton Camp information meeting.** If you were unable to attend but need further information please do not hesitate to contact us. Please do let us know if you would like to pop into school to assist or observe your child during the day. We are keen to work as closely as possible with parents to develop a consistent approach of support for your child and also if you have any questions or comments please do use the home school book or call the centre directly.

Swimming Help ~ On Tuesdays we have swimming and we are always looking for parents that would be willing to come in and help from 10:15am – 12:15pm. It involves supporting staff with children changing and in the pool. If you are interested please do speak to myself or a member of staff and we can explain more.

Surfers against sewage project <https://www.sas.org.uk/> ~ In line with all of the classes topics, we plan to raise awareness and money towards reducing the amount of plastic in our oceans. We will be making art work to sell at a parents café – details/date to follow. Please send in any thick, transparent plastic bottles that we can use for the art work. Not milk bottles as it needs to be thicker eg clothes washing liquid bottles, car screen wash bottles etc.

Home visits ~ Please let us know if you require any behaviour support or would like to meet to discuss the progress of your child and strategies to support them. Class teachers are able to come and meet with you at home and see your child at home and reinforce any messages to support you at home. Please write in the home school book if you would like a visit.

FOMCU ~The FOMCU AGM is on Thursday 10th May this is an opportunity to hear about what the money you donate and raise goes to and also plan for the coming year. We rely on parents' involvement and the more that get involved the more we can do. Please do make every effort to attend.

Reading at home and supporting your child with English ~Our school follow a programme called Read, Write Inc to help with teaching reading, writing and spelling. A number of parents over the last couple of weeks have asked for a little more information. Please have a look at this website as there is a wealth of information. <http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/> Many thanks for your support with their learning as together we can achieve the very best for them!

For interactive online books, have a look at the Oxford Reading tree website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> login details are: **Goldclass123 password:Learn@home**

Parent Support ~ Bridget Crawford, our wonderful TA in Gold class, has offered to be a port of call to all parents/families to help with giving information on access to benefits, support and discounts that are available to families of children with autism. Bridget herself is a parent of a former pupil and understands the difficulties that families can go through. She is a wealth of information and is always happy to chat either at drop off or pick up or at Saturday club.

Thank you, Michael Bogg, Centre Manager

Be Kind. Try hard. Do your best.





Silver Class – We have started our new topic looking at water, and taken part in some fantastic water activities! We've made sensory bottles with different items such as glitter and beads, taken part in bubble painting, and started creating sea creature art to go in our pirate corner in Silver class. We've also been looking at 'big' and 'little' in Maths, and sequenced different sea creature pictures by size!



Gold Class – By unwrapping items from a treasure chest, Gold class guessed that their topic this term is seashores. Using a magnifying glass we have been looking closely at items found at the beach including shells, crabs pincers, coral and a fish. We used celery to paint fish scales and made a collage of the UK coastline. In science we are learning about germs and the importance of washing our hands thoroughly.



Platinum Class – Platinum class have been researching their new topic which is Oceans. They have enjoyed investigating how materials change in Science and have been dissolving and melting materials. In Art they have begun their work on wax resistance drawing and painting. They have also enjoyed their Gem Power reward time using the PlayPod too.

