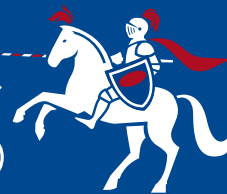


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KNIGHT'S TALES



WELCOME FROM THE HEAD



After the long, dark winter months, it is always refreshing to see signs of Spring around School. There is a comparison here with the emergence from Covid as life at Chandlings Prep returned to a semblance of normality. Although still cautious, we have been able to reintroduce events, trips, performances and fixtures with parents able to attend. What a relief!

Despite the ongoing disruption, it is gratifying that the online provision was so successful and has not impinged on the children's academic performance. With this in mind, I would like to congratulate Year 6 and also the staff, on another very fine set of results in the senior school entrance examinations. How wonderful to be able to celebrate 19 Scholarships and Awards in this strangest of years.

Throughout this edition of the Knight's Tales you will see everything that the children have achieved from School Council surveys, drama productions, the work of our new Wellbeing Champions and so much more.

I wish you all a very happy holiday.

Christine Cook

Abingdon School 1 x Griffen All Rounder Scholarship Abingdon School 2 x John Royce Scholarship Abingdon School 3 x Interview prize Abingdon School 2 x Maths Prize	Abingdon School 1 x English Prize Headington 1 x Academic Scholarship Magdalen College School 2 x All Rounder Awards Our Lady's Abingdon 1 x Academic Scholarship	Our Lady's Abingdon 2 x Music Scholarship Our Lady's Abingdon 2 x Sports Scholarship St Helen's & St Katherine School 1 x Academic Scholarship The Oratory 1 x Academic Exhibition
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WELLBEING

This term we have launched our Wellbeing Champions. Twenty-four children from Prep all joined a team with the aim of creating new initiatives to help with our wellbeing.

A new logo has been produced and the children have designed a brand new Wellbeing website that all the children can access. The website tells you about the Wellbeing Knight and all the topics we focus on each half term. There is a new podcast section with wellbeing podcasts to listen to but also podcasts created by the children themselves talking about different areas that affect their mental and physical wellbeing.

A new initiative that has already been launched is the Wellbeing book area which was curated by one of the junior librarians and contains several funny books that can cheer you up if you are feeling sad. The Wellbeing room is also being redecorated by the children to make it a calm space where you can go and be peaceful and reflective.

This term our topic has been My Heart and we have Coloured the School with Kindness. All the classrooms have kindness jars into which they put their acts of kindness. Nursery picks out all the kind acts at the end of each week, replacing them with a pompom and the children celebrate together.



WORLD BOOK DAY/WEEK

The day began with a costume parade in the Lantern Hall when Professor Sprout (AKA Ms Cook) introduced a fantastic array of fictional characters around the room, including Cruella de Vil (AKA Mrs Branch) and her beautifully behaved Dalmatian pups. This was followed by a rousing, interactive story for which the whole school provided sound effects.

During the day, all the children had an opportunity to visit a book fair in the entrance hall, hosted by Mostly Books; it was wonderful to hear them talking enthusiastically about their chosen books. Another highlight of the day was our outdoor trail in the school grounds to search for photographs of Chandlings Prep staff hidden behind one of their favourite books. There was a lot of heated debate about the identity of some of the teachers!

We enjoyed visits from three wonderful children's authors. Our World Book Day celebrations began with a visit from Emi-Lou May who shared her fabulous picture book, *Doctorsaurus*, with Pre-Prep, along with an array of dinosaur friends. In the weeks that followed, we were visited by the award winning authors Ross Montgomery and Ali Sparkes who delighted us with a wide variety of exciting picture books and children's novels.

Our World Book Day celebrations wouldn't be complete without a competition or two. Richardson House was this year's winner of the World Book Day Quiz, which had everybody discussing popular children's books. There was also a lot of lively discussion in the library about the titles of the two shredded books in our "book in a bottle" competition. Fred P. was the winner of our "Story Stones" competition, for his beautiful painted pebble depicting Hedwig from the Harry Potter series.



WORLD BOOK DAY/WEEK



Y3/Y4 PLAY - LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

For their production, the children in Years 3 and 4 took us on an adventure deep into the forest where we met Little Red Riding Hood and followed her journey with the Big Bad Wolf. Along the way, the Three Little Pigs and the Bears at the Teddy Bears Picnic made an appearance, as well as Hansel and Gretel and the members of SLOP (Secret League of Pigs). As this was the Roald Dahl version of the story, the Wolf met an untimely end and Red Riding Hood ended up with a new item in her wardrobe! The children were all full of energy and enthusiasm, and performed superbly for all of the shows. Bravo! A huge thank you to Mrs Belcher and Miss Sharpe for making the production such a success.



Y3/Y4 PLAY - LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD



INFORMAL MUSIC CONCERTS

We have been treated to lots of outstanding performances in our Informal Concerts this year. Everyone from Year 1 to Year 6 has had three opportunities to perform, and lots of pupils took every chance! The variety of performances, from LAMDA sketches to double bass solos, piano sonatas to drum kit performances, were really inspiring. Well done everyone!



NURSERY EASTER EGG HUNT AND EASTER BONNETS

Nursery children had so much fun decorating their Easter Bonnets for the Easter Bonnet Parade. There was then huge excitement as they raced around the nursery playground hunting for Easter eggs.



RECEPTION MOTHERS DAY TEA

Reception welcomed all their mummies to their afternoon tea with a beautiful song. They then presented them with home made cards, a decorated placemat and paper-crafted daffodils before sitting down to a delicious tea.



3,2,1 LIFT OFF FOR YEAR 1

For Year 1 children the Spring Term began with an 'out of this world' space adventure experience day, as they zoomed off on their topic launch of 'Our Place in Space'! The children were invited to arrive at school dressed as astronauts or aliens before receiving their astronaut lanyard for the day.

They started their mission by jetting off into Space on a moon buggy, then space hopped their way through the twinkling stars, before zooming through a space tunnel to arrive at the Chandlings Prep Space Station HQ!

The children loved manning the control deck of the Space station to ensure a smooth journey for all into Outer Space and there were many exciting conversations to be heard from the Space Rocket tent. They also enjoyed developing their artistic flair creating rockets and planets using coloured sand and scratch art. Lunch was a space feast served appropriately in foil containers.

During the course of the term the children explored a variety of stories with a Space theme in English lessons. They developed an awareness of the past involving the history of Space Travel and explored the difficulties humans face when travelling to Space. They created Van Gogh Starry Night paintings linked to space in Art and even guided aliens home in their drama lessons!



YEAR 2 PUT OUT THE FLAMES WITH THE ABINGDON FIRE SERVICE

Year 2 children were lucky enough to have a visit from the Abingdon Fire Service who told us what the role of a Firefighter is. We learnt that it is not only to fight fires but there are also many other types of rescues that they are involved in. We also learnt how to keep ourselves and our families safe. We explored the fire truck and saw the 254 pieces of equipment that are carried on this vehicle. Finally, (the most exciting bit!) we listened to the extremely loud sirens and saw the flashing lights.





YEAR 3 CORINIUM MUSEUM

Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed exploring the modern galleries during our trip to the Corinium Museum in Cirencester.

We started the day with an informative and inspiring workshop learning about life in Roman Britain. The Year 3 pupils demonstrated a good knowledge of the topics discussed and also learnt many new interesting facts. Their experience of The Lifelong Learning Centre involved a rota of fun activities with everyone dressing up in Roman outfits and discovering foods and games available at that time.

We were then able to enjoy looking around the museum, with thousands of objects on display. The children worked enthusiastically as they searched amongst the artefacts so that they could find answers to the questions posed in their workbooks.

We all admired the exhibits from Roman and Anglo Saxon times and were amazed at the detail and enormity of the mosaics formed 2000 years ago in Cirencester. From tiny pieces of jewellery to huge columns, the artefacts were very impressive. A fantastic trip and without a doubt we could have stayed there a lot longer!





YEAR 4 CROCODILES OF THE WORLD

On Friday 4 March Year 4 pupils visited Crocodiles of the World in Brize Norton. Colin, our guide, took us on a journey of discovery around the world meeting different species of crocodiles, caiman and alligators. We learnt many interesting facts about these fascinating reptiles and with under-water viewing we could get up really close. The children loved watching the feeding session with lots of hungry Nile crocodiles - thankfully no children were harmed in the process! Afterwards, we were able to touch a baby crocodile and were amazed by how it felt. During the day, we also met meerkats, otters, Galapagos tortoises and even a komodo dragon, the world's largest living lizard, which Colin had lots of interesting information to tell us about. All in all it was a great day out!



YEAR 5 SLEEPOVER

There were some very excited pupils throughout the day as we all prepared for the Year 5 sleepover. The excitement mounted and peaked just in time and at 5pm the pupils were taken up to the dorms to nest before getting into home clothes and heading to the main hall for some fun games of dodgeball and slog and hop it! The 'Tigers' and 'Jaws' had very close games but great fun was had by all and Jaws ran out narrow winners. It was also a great way to tire the pupils out... you would think!

Supper was sausage, beans and chips followed by a chocolate muffin and dietary alternatives. Vivo was then the film of choice and it was unsurprising to see some droopy eyelids toward the end of the showing. A couple of overnight whispers and a 6 o'clock reveille was pretty good (!) Staff and pupils headed down just before 8am for a full spread of options for breakfast. It was a great way to cement friendships, share experiences and make memories together.

A huge amount of thanks for even a short one night sleepover. The catering team, Ms Uvirova, Mr and Mrs Foster and of course the amazing tutor team of Mr Clarke and Mrs Wilkins were absolutely superb! It was a great way to start the weekend. Many thanks to parents who had collected all pupils by 9.01am!



YEAR 6 SKILLS WEEK

Once the year 6 exams are finished and results are in there is a comprehensive programme of enrichment activities for our Year 6 children. Part of this programme is Skills Week which took place during the last week of term.

The week began with the Chandlings Prep Cycling Programme and Life Skills for which the aim is to give experiences to ensure that pupils are ready for life beyond Chandlings Prep. They learnt to change bedding, tie a tie, basic knots and touch typing skills!

On Wednesday Oxfordshire First Aid ran a Core Skills First Aid course which gave the children both practical skills and theoretical knowledge on administering CPR and AEDs, choking and bleeding management and managing an unconscious body.

Thursday was spent outdoors learning about Fire Building, Safety Orienteering and Low Ropes. The aim was to improve children's knowledge and understanding of the outdoor learning environment.

Friday morning was a carousel of personal survival and water safety run in tandem with Team Building and Leadership Games.



YEAR 6 SKILLS WEEK

This year the Young Enterprise initiative was interspersed within Skills Week. Pupils had been working in small groups designing and creating prototypes for a Dragon's Den style competition during their Art and DT lessons throughout the term. During skills week they finished off their designs, created a company, designed an advertising poster and conducted market research to ensure they priced their product correctly and to the right audience. They were also inspired by four presentations on different aspects of running businesses from Mrs Brown, Mr Ellwood, Mr Mower and Mr Wahid. On the final afternoon they pitched their products to 'The Dragons' to see if they could get some investment! Thank you to Mr Wahid, Dr Ramesh, Miss Patel and Mrs Jones for being brilliant dragons.

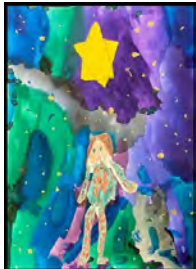
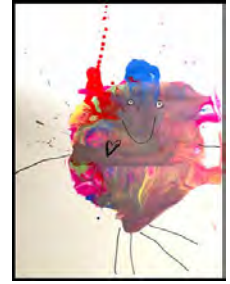


Thank you to all the staff and parents who were involved in this fantastic week.



ART

Reception have been using paint and manipulating it around the paper to create a colour monster based on the book The Colour Monster. The children chose colours they felt represented their emotions before adding Google eyes and other features. They have also had the opportunity to experiment with paper crafts to make daffodils for Mother's Day.

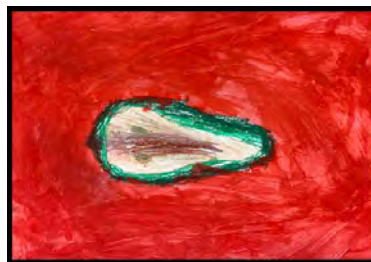


Year 1 have focused on space this term using this as a base for their work. They have looked at the work of Van Gogh to recreate his Starry Night painting using acrylic paint and bedding motions. The children particularly enjoyed sewing this term and have created a variety of rockets, spaceships and planets.

Year 2 have looked at self portraits this term creating images of themselves wearing hats and mittens for the cold weather. They have also enjoyed working with inks to create silhouette pictures. One of the highlights was working collaboratively to create a piece of work in the style of Frank Bowling.



Year 3 have been working on their observational drawing skills learning to add shadow and light into a pencil drawing to create a 3D effect. They have also used their colour mixing and contrasting colour knowledge to create a bold background for their fruit drawings to which they used oil pastels to add colour.



ART

Year 4 have been creating their pictures for the Young Art Oxford competition. The theme this year is Dreams. Results of the competition will be announced after Easter.



Year 5 loved making these colourful, vibrant paper collages. The lettering designs were based around onomatopoeias of the sounds made by fireworks.



Year 6 have made these amazing ceramic vegetables, by creating 2 pinch pots which were joined together and modelled into veggie shapes. They were finished using coloured clay slips and a shiny, translucent glaze. Influenced by the work of famous British potter Kate Malone.



SCIENCE MODELS COMPETITION

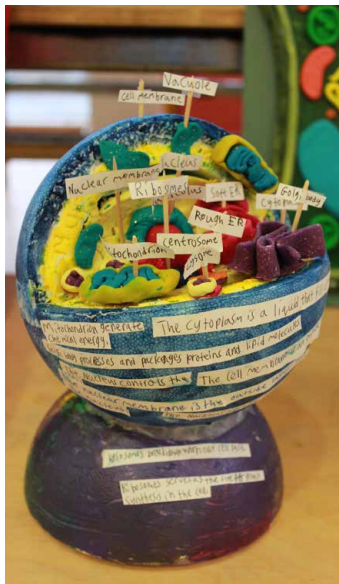
The children in Year 6 were tasked with making a model of a cell (plant, animal, bacteria, or virus) for a house competition in order to support and cement their understanding of their Science and Engineering topic, Cells and Microbes. They had to choose their materials, label the parts of the cell, and include a description for each part.

There were a huge variety of fantastic models, including some of the Coronavirus, made out of a wide range of materials. The judging proved tricky due to the extremely high standard but we managed, after much deliberation, to decide upon the winners. Congratulations to the following:



Science Prizes	Engineering Prizes	Current Affairs Prizes	Highly commended	Runner Up
1st Laurence M.	1st Kiyan I.	1st Sid D. and George C.	James S.	Belle W.
2nd Jonny H. and Chloe H.	2nd Reagan E.	2nd Clara U.	Alice R.	
3rd Stella D.			Evie J.	

Each entry was awarded a house point with further points given for the runners-up, highly commended, and winners. The winning house was Poltimore!



MINIATURE BOOKS

At the end of the Autumn Term, the children of Chandlings Prep were challenged to make a miniature book.

The creativity and talent evident in all the books, written and designed by children from Year 1 to Year 6, was astounding. We received stories, poetry, a recipe book, alphabet books, and the world's smallest joke book. Non-fiction books covered topics such as vaccines, tanks, art and swimming all in the miniature format.

There were two very deserving winners:

Rosy (Year 5) for her fabulous life cycle of a butterfly; and Sid (Year 6) for his exquisite collection of three festive books inside a beautiful slipcase. Both winners received a kit to make their very own miniature library.

Thank you to everyone who entered this competition. We were so impressed by the quality of writing, illustration and design of your miniature books!



LA GALETTE DES ROIS

It might have been a little later than planned, but Prep children still welcomed the New Year in a very French way, celebrating the "Epiphanie". The children were able to sample La Galette des Rois, a traditional cake which hides "la fève", a charm figurine inside it. The children performed the ritual of the Galette, where the youngest child goes under the table and directs the distribution of the piece of cake. The lucky person to find the "fève" becomes the King or Queen for the day and gets to wear the paper crown. It gives the children cultural awareness and they all thoroughly enjoy it.



SCHOOL COUNCIL FOOD SURVEY

At Chandlings Prep one thing is for sure..... we all love food and we are extremely lucky to have such incredible chefs to make us our lovely daily meals. With the help of our school council reps and the whole school community, we decided to make and implement a food feedback survey. The first stage was to carry out research into which school meals are most preferred. Every Friday for three weeks, we asked all Prep pupils and staff to fill in a google form to let us know which meals that week they really enjoyed and which were not their favourite. In the first week, we had 120 responses - which was an amazing result and we were very proud of how many people took their time to share their personal views with us. We learned a lot about the preferences of our school community. The roast pork lunch and the vanilla flapjack were firm favourites of the children and staff. In week 2, the sausages and mash had a commanding lead along with the jammie cookie and the chocolate cornflake cake. In week 3, the most popular seemed to be the roast lunch (again- no surprises there!) as well as the shepherd's pie, fish and chips and the blueberry shortcake.

The feedback we collected (haa, haa no pun intended) led us to conclude that there might be some changes we could suggest to the catering staff to make our meals even more delicious, healthy and nutritious for everybody. So, the school council reps and leaders sat down with their classes and had an open discussion about what they would like to see come back on the menu, what new ideas and suggestions they have and what new dishes could be added to the menu. Can you guess what came up in our discussions? You probably can....pizza, burgers, chicken wraps were all suggested..... and lots more. Lots of people wanted rocky-road and jelly and ice cream too! We had some really unexpected ideas like sushi, calamari and paella. We were overwhelmed and dazzled by the amount of interesting ideas we received from our classmates.

On Monday 21st March, we were excited to have a meeting with Ruth, our head chef, who was very flattered to have received so many lovely comments about her menus. We got the opportunity to ask her some questions about upcoming changes and we were pleased to hear that there will be more healthy, plant-based options from now on as well as less sugary puddings. We have a new, self-service dessert station with lots of fresh fruit options, too.

Ruth told us how happy she is to keep receiving suggestions and recipe ideas from the children and staff. We have therefore created a fabulous FOOD SUGGESTION BOX (thanks to Alice for making the suggestion box for us). Next term, keep your eyes peeled (ha ha no pun intended- again!) for this box on the shelf in the dining room where you queue up. We welcome your meal ideas and recipes..... Have you got a recipe passed down from your Great-Grandma that you just have to share or a favourite meal of your family's? Ruth can't wait to hear your ideas! And if Ruth makes your recipe, you may even get a special mention on that week's menu.

Thank you so much to everyone for helping us in our project to help make our amazing menus even better.... And Happy Eating!

By Rafiq, Noah, Sashin, Alice, Mrs Pardo and Miss Espinar.



GIRLS' SPORT

This term the girls in Prep turned their attention to Netball and enjoyed a packed term of fixtures against other schools having missed out on Netball fixtures last year.

In Year 3 & 4 the girls honed their skills in two forms of Netball. A switch by England Netball introduced BEE Netball in which matches are played as 4 a side across a third of a court and with no positions. In the early part of the term this format allowed for far greater focus on developing basic core skills. As their experience of matchplay grew so too did our players' ability to read the play and fulfil both their attacking and defensive duties. In the latter part of the term the girls were introduced to a more traditional version of Netball and impressed coaches with their knowledge of the Netball positions.

Year 5 & 6 played 5 a side Netball throughout the term and enjoyed the chance to rotate through all positions on the court and develop both their attacking and defending skills. Particular progress was made in shooting with a tremendous number of goals scored across all teams.

The U11As lost only one of their regular season games and performed well at IAPS, narrowly losing in the plate semi-final.

For the U10s it was a challenging season with some very tough matches. The girls showed tremendous resilience against tough opposition and always remained enthusiastic, making excellent progress in training.

Our Year 6s enjoyed an afternoon of Lacrosse at St Helen's & St Katherine's in March. They mixed with other girls from The Manor and SHSK to learn pick up skills, shooting, throwing and catching and most importantly had lots of fun.



BOYS' SPORT

This term the boys have played football and hockey which tactically are very similar sports. Their results have been very good against local opposition such as Abingdon Prep, St Hugh's and The Manor.

Year 3 have been particularly successful on the football field winning the Oratory Football Festival by some margin by not conceding a goal. Emile C-K was voted Player of the Festival. The year group continued their winning ways into the hockey season with emphatic victories over Magdalen and Ashfold schools.

Year 4 were unbeaten in their group at the Oratory Football Festival which was a superb achievement from this group of boys who have made massive progress all year. Their season finished in March with a round of highly competitive house matches which everyone agreed were some of the best games for many a year.

Years 5 and 6 trained at times together as Colts and at other times stayed in their separate year groups. The Year 5 boys suffered from bouts of Covid which seriously affected their availability and performances so we are all hoping for normality during the summer cricket season. Year 6 in contrast continued to grow all season and finally reached their potential with 3 significant victories over Abingdon Prep in their final hockey game. The A's won 5-0, B's 2-0 and C's 2-0.

Final word goes to the A team hockey players whose progress was staggering. They were runners up in the county tournament losing a close final 1-0 to Magdalen. Revenge was sweet three weeks later as they beat them 2-1 in a thrilling regular season game.



HOUSE MATCHES

The end of term saw girls in Years 3 -6 take part in the House Gymnastics and Netball Competitions.

In the Year 3 & 4 Gymnastics the judges were impressed with the creative song choices and in Years 5 & 6 the girls showed an impressive array of gymnastic skills. All teams worked exceptionally well together and performed with confidence. Richardson came out on top having won both the Year 5/6 and Year 3 competitions.

The house football, as always, was very competitive with Poltimore coming out on top winning both year groups.



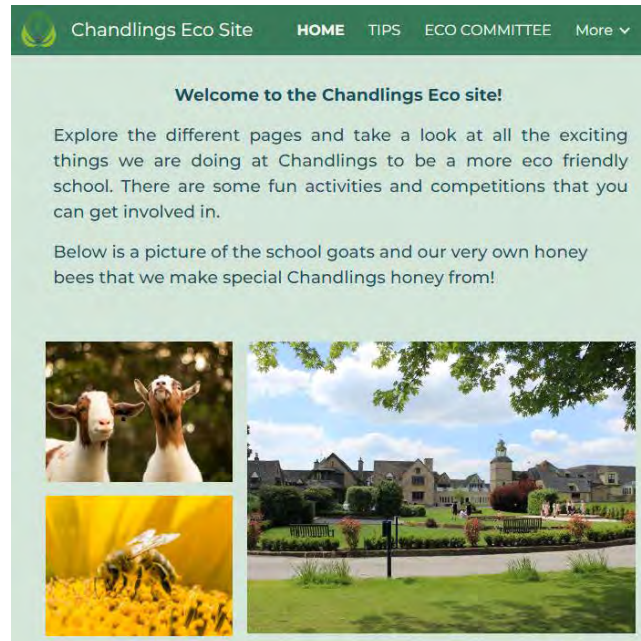
PANCAKE RACES

The great annual pancake races took place on March 1st. Each House entered a year group team of four children and one member of staff. As always, the races were exciting and closely contested. Everyone enjoyed the fast-paced relays while the Houses supported on the sidelines. Richardson were the winners this year!



SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability at Chandlings Prep is very important to the children, teachers, and parents. There are eco representatives in each class who make up the eco committee. These children meet regularly to discuss exciting things that the whole school can get involved in. Recently they did a whole school assembly on the importance of recycling. In the summer term, there is going to be a litter picking competition, as well as a nature photography competition that the pupils can take part in. Chandlings Prep has its very own honeybees, school goats, vegetable garden and acres of beautiful grounds where the children can enjoy all that nature has to offer. Why not check out the Eco website on the school portal to see what wonderful things our pupils have been up to?



OUTDOOR LEARNING

Nursery focused on their fine motor skills by threading and picking up small objects. They counted and threw pine cones as far as they could! Later in the term they looked at the changes of colour in nature.

Reception looked closely at the similarities and differences in patterns in nature linking it to maths. In the second half of term they used their senses when observing birds and their habitats.

Year 1 worked collaboratively in teams when creating 3D animal shelters in the woodland, they compared objects by their sizes e.g. leaves, trees and sticks. This led onto comparing natural objects by their sizes such as birds in nature using adjectives and adverbs.

Year 2 outdoor learning was linked to their topic of Fire and Ice. They learnt fire lighting skills, made hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows. The second half of term focused on bird watching and their classification. They learnt to recognise common garden birds.

Year 3 learnt to recognise leaves through mathematical and scientific challenges. They produced a nature grid and named all the leaves within it. They also created human skeletons by using twigs and specific leaves. In the second half of term they studied birds and the purpose of feathers.

Year 4 worked out the ages of a twig and trees linking this to maths. They also learnt to recognise trees by their buds. The second half of term they focused on identifying birds by their sounds and grouping them by their characteristics.

Year 5 learnt knot skills including clove hitch, lashing knots and with this knowledge they created a teepee working in groups. As part of their PSHEE they also had to collaborate, communicate and plan effectively.



INTERVIEW WITH SARAH WIMBORNE

Each term the School Council organises an interview with a different member of staff. They decide upon the questions and then follow this up with an interview.

What inspired you to be a teacher?

My own children went to a Montessori nursery and they loved it so I did the training to become a teacher myself. Teaching young children is the best thing in the world.

How many years have you taught at Chandlings Prep?

15 years
Where did you work before you came to Chandlings Prep?
I worked at a magazine called 'Cosmopolitan' as an editor. Then, I worked at a music company called EMI and I used to hang out with bands like 'The Jam'. Then I had my children and then I began teaching.

What made you join Chandlings Prep?

My children came here as pupils. I applied to Mrs Forest (who was the Headmistress at the time) for a job as maternity cover for Mrs McAloon while she was pregnant and then I stayed on!

Have you ever taught any other year groups except Reception at Chandlings Prep and how many?

No, I have only taught Reception. In my opinion, after teaching Reception, you don't want to go anywhere else. "Reception is the best!"

Where did you grow up?

I grew up all over the place! I was born in Reading but I lived in Singapore, Germany and Ireland as a child because my Dad was in the army and we travelled around. Now Oxfordshire is where I consider home - it's the longest I've lived anywhere.

What hobbies do you have?

Reading, cooking, travelling, exercising, gardening. I don't do anything exciting like skydiving!! Although, I do like skiing!

What's your favourite hobby?

My favourite hobby is cooking for my family. In my family I am famous for cooking '24-hour pork' and Jamie Oliver's 'blushing beef' on the bbq.

What breed is your dog?

I actually have 3 dogs - a black labrador called Monty, Biddy the border terrier and Mitzi the Daschund.



What's your favourite sport?

I love 'wild swimming' in the sea, a lake or a river. I don't like swimming inside in pools.

What is your family like?

They are 'Brilliant' - I have 3 sons: Alex who's just become a daddy, Harry who's getting married in May and Archie who has just qualified as a doctor. I am very proud of them! I'm the only girl in the family. Although I have 2 female dogs and 1 female chicken!!

What is your favourite song?

I love Coldplay! I like 'Sky full of Stars' and 'Viva la vida'. If I didn't feel like coming to work, these are the songs that would motivate me. I'm going to see Coldplay in concert soon. I've seen them lots of times.

If you could go on holiday anywhere where would you go?

I'd go to a little tiny island called Holbox, off the coast of Mexico and you can only get there by boat. You can swim with the whale sharks. There are no cars- only golf buggies!!!

If you could have any last meal here, what would it be?

Shepherd's Pie and Rocky Road!

What has been your favourite meal at Chandlings Prep?

Cherry pie with cream

What other job would you like to do if you were not teaching?

I am going to have another job when I will work with flowers - arranging, making bouquets for weddings etc. It will be my own business called 'The Little Green Flowers Shed'. I will use recycled jars and no plastic. It's going to be very sustainable. I will set it up in the shed at the bottom of my garden.

On a scale of one to ten how sad are you about leaving Chandlings Prep?

I would say 9 because I am sad that I am leaving Chandlings but 1 because I am excited about my new project.

Do you believe in unicorns?

Of course! All I will say is... 'You can't be a reception teacher and not believe in unicorns!!!'

CHARITIES

Red Nose Day

The school was dressed in Red for Comic Relief. There were a variety of noses on show and for the first time we raised money via a just giving site which proved to be very successful in raising funds for a variety of important charities supported by Comic Relief.



Painting together for Ukraine

We invited parents, students and teachers to take part in creating a collaborative art piece to show our support for the Ukrainian people and all those suffering because of war during these difficult times. In the shelter during the last week of term we had a large canvas with a pencilled outline of a painting by Maria Prymachenko, a Ukrainian folk artist. Brushes and paints were available to help us recreate her beautiful artwork. We also created lots of sunflowers to decorate the entire shelter and donations were made towards the DEC Ukrainian appeal. Thank you to Mrs Prosser and Miss Love for organising this.



Thank you so much to all the Chandlings Prep community. Together we raised over £1600 for Comic Relief and the DEC Ukrainian fund.

PATCH

Quiz

The PATCH Quiz Night was back! Parents had a great night enjoying a wide-range of questions, brain-teasers and the infamous construction challenge. They also raised over £600 for the Ukrainian Refugees fund. Many thanks to Mrs Andrews and the PATCH team for organising the event.



Prep Disco and Pre-Prep Movie Night

Disco and Movie Night is one of the favourite events of the year for the children at Chandlings Prep. The Pre-Prep children snuggled down in their pyjamas enjoying their popcorn in front of the movie. Whereas the Prep children were strutting their stuff at the school disco with some pretty impressive moves! Thanks again to the parents for organising these events.





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