

Newsletter



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Apple Tree and Oak had an amazing visit from Farmer Gow's this week.



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THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A



PEANUT/NUT FREE
SCHOOL

We currently have two children who have serious nut allergies. Please remember that we don't allow any nuts or nut products in school. **This includes Nutella.** Thank you for helping us to keep St Peter's School a safe place.

World Oceans Day—8th June

World Oceans Day is on 8th June, which is the first Tuesday back after half term, so we thought we'd try and once again support our school charity, the [Marine Conservation Society](#). This year, we are asking everyone to either wear blue or dress up as a sea creature! You have all of half term to plan and make your costume if you want to be really creative, or if that's not your thing, simply wear something blue!



The important things to remember are:

- a) dress up
- b) bring in a donation
- c) have fun!



COMPETITION TIME!

Staying on the theme of oceans, we are having a competition to either draw or paint the best picture of the sea. It could be a picture of the shoreline, below the sea, a sea creature, anything really, as long as it's to do with the sea. We are hoping to put the winning creations onto cards to do some more fundraising for the Marine Conservation Society later in the year. The closing date will be a few weeks after half term so there's a bit of time to plan your pictures!



Don't forget '30 days of random acts of wildness' with the Wildlife Trusts starts in June. There's a calendar at the end of the newsletter to help you, or visit

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/>

#30daywild



#100ormoore Challenge



SPSA have a challenge for our children.
Continue Captain Tom Moore's legacy by
completing 100 of something and raising money
for the School.



May 29th - June 11th 2021

Your children have all been given a letter and sponsorship form for our #100orMoore challenge. There is a form at the end of the newsletter if you need another copy. Adults are welcome to do their own challenge!



Summer WATER SAFETY

When Summer hits it can be tempting to look for the nearest place to cool off.
Here are our top tips if you plan on going for a paddle:

-  **LOOK OUT FOR LIFEGUARDS**
-  **IT'S COLDER THAN IT LOOKS**
-  **DON'T GO TOO FAR**
-  **IT'S STRONGER THAN IT LOOKS**
-  **BRING A FRIEND**

www.rlss.org.uk



JUDO

If you can't get away over Half Term, what could be better than a day or three of Judo for your children?

Tues 1st June - Thurs 3rd June

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

For 6 - 15 year olds

Faringdon Judo Club, Tuckers Park, Park Road, Faringdon SN7 7BP

Each day will include:

- Introduction to Judo, its history and etiquette.
- Warming up exercises – some fitness training
- Breakfalling and other safety matters
- Groundwork techniques – Holds and wrestling
- Throwing Techniques – Counters and Combinations
- Contest Technique – Grips and Postures
- Plus lots of Games and races
- Plenty of breaks and Lunchtime outside (weather dependant)



£60 for the 3 days £25 for one day

If you have any questions or queries please contact Jonathan Gerrans on 07967 349864 or email Jonathan.gerrans@hotmail.co.uk

You can drive up the Tuckers Park Lane to drop off. The Judo Club is at the end of the lane past the Football Club. Faringdon Judo Club, Tuckers Park, Park Road, Faringdon SN7 7BP

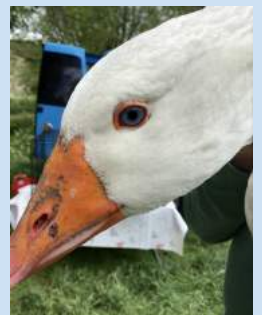
To sign up, go to:

<https://www.oxfordshirejudo.com/half-term-course>

Music lessons

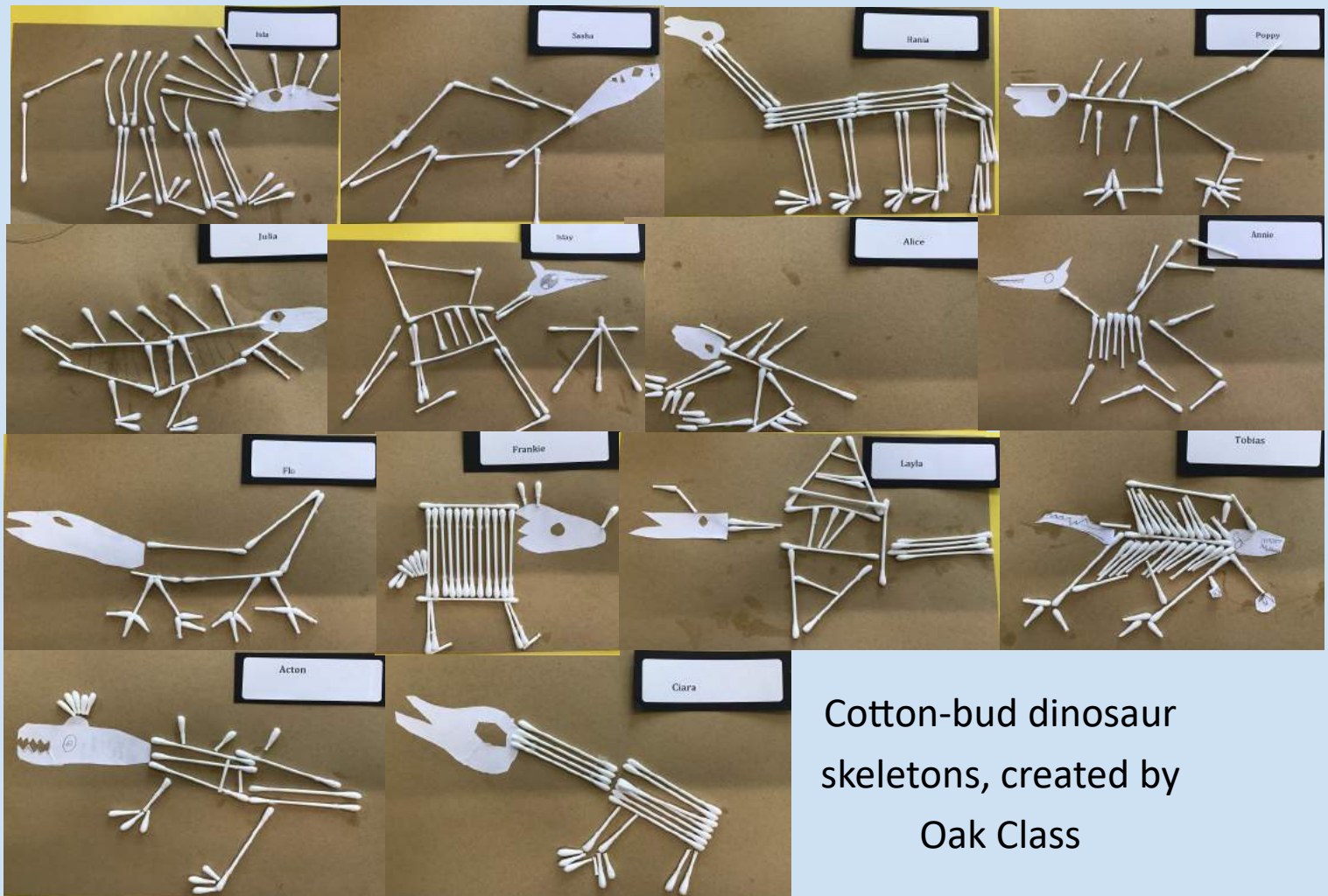
The Oxfordshire County Council music service currently give music lessons to some children at St Peter's on Wednesdays. If your child is in KS2 and is interested in learning either violin, cello or viola, please visit:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/music-service/music-lessons/learning-instrument> or email Emily in the office.





Farmer Gow's was a big hit with Oak Class and Apple Tree Class!



Cotton-bud dinosaur skeletons, created by Oak Class



Important Information



School uniform

We have had a lot of school uniform go missing over the last term. We know it is really tricky having to rely on your children more than usual to keep track of their belongings. Could you all please check at home and in your child's PE kits for uniform that doesn't belong to your child?



For there to be a much better chance of child's clothing being returned to you, PLEASE remember to name them!

Thank you.



Last weekend, Clare Want (Abi's Mum) and a group of other Eynsham firefighters raised money for the firefighters charity by walking 100k continuously through day and night along the Jurassic coast.

There is still time to donate if you would like to do so. Please see the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/eynshamfirefighters>

ParentMail problems



ParentMail

Some parents have reported that since ParentMail partnered with Iris, they aren't receiving any notifications and are missing out on things. To check if this is happening to you, please go into the ParentMail app (or the website) and open your email preferences. Here you will be able to choose what you would like to be notified about and things should then hopefully start coming through! If you have any problems, please email Emily in the office. Thank you.

If your child has an award below, you will be sent a link next week to join in with our virtual celebration assembly:

Class	Special Award Term Focus - <u>Resilience</u>	Star Award
	<p>Finley Britton</p>	<p>Adusia Koper Teddy Metcalf</p>
	<p>Wolfie Lee</p>	<p>Poppy Taylor Alice Cox</p>
	<p>Martha Paulin</p>	<p>Lorelai Taylor Freddie Curtis</p>
	<p>Beau Vernon</p>	<p>Maya Batt Megan Martin</p>
	<p>Olly Hollis</p>	



A Message From Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents/Carers,

Finally some sunshine! We certainly needed the rain for the new saplings and now hopefully the sun will help them really establish themselves. The better weather arrived just in time for Farmer Gow's visit to the school for Apple and Oak classes. Our visitors were very knowledgeable and the children had a great time. The lambs were a special favourite! Have a look at the photos in the newsletter.

There are now several strands of fundraising going on through the SPSA and the school. We really hope that the sponsorship for 100 things will really take off and you will share what your child is doing with family, friends and neighbours. One super keen child has already asked if they can do more than 1 lot of 100 things – absolutely! Great to see such enthusiasm.

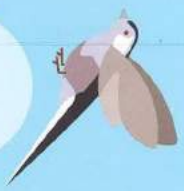
In collective worship this week, I talked with the children about what they think their special gift is and how it could serve others (1 Peter 4:10). We had some great suggestions including baking, musical instrument playing, ballet and football skills to give a few examples. We concluded that if you are using your gift or skill to inspire others then you are doing a great thing!

Over the last week or so, we have started a new project based on our 'Minds that Learn, Hearts that Love, Faith that Gives' vision. We see so much great learning going on during the course of the week and we also hear some inspirational comments from children and staff alike. They are too good not to share so Louise Judd has kindly set up an Instagram and Twitter page for us. But, there is a twist; we are going to try and be really clever about it! The pictures will be from around school but we will not be overtly mentioning St Peter's – only you and who you wish to share this with will know that it is us – like a secret society! Before the end of half term, can we get 100 followers? Ultimately, can we reach people in other countries? Could we get so big that people Google 'mindsthatlearn' to see where these inspirational quotes are coming from? There is no specific plan for this, we just want to see if and how it can organically grow and how far our inspirational ideas can travel!! So, follow us at [mindsthatlearn](#) on Instagram and [@mindsthatlearn](#) on Twitter and please make sure you like our posts! Louise will also put a link on the school Facebook page.

Have a wonderful and well deserved half term!

Jon Jeffries

Hello from The Wildlife Trusts!



#30DaysWild

Welcome to 30 Days Wild! We want to share our passion for the natural world with everyone, which is why we set this wonderful challenge every June. The Wildlife Trusts is a movement of 46 charities working tirelessly to protect, restore and create new homes for wildlife, bringing nature back to where you live and work in the UK, Alderney and Isle of Man. We're working towards the ambitious goal of protecting and connecting 30% of land and seas for nature by 2030, but we couldn't do it without the generous support of our 850,000 members and 38,000 amazing volunteers. We'd love you to join us!



Protecting rare UK species

Across the UK, Trusts work to protect rare species: from beavers and red squirrels, to dwindling pollinators such as butterflies and bees. We work across our own 2,300 nature reserves, but also with partners, from farmers to fishermen to house builders, for nature's recovery.



wildlifetrusts.org/saving-species

Our work with people

We think the natural world is our wellbeing - and that everyone should get the opportunity to experience the joy of wildlife in their own lives. That's why we give people of all ages and backgrounds the chance to learn about our wonderful wild world, making them healthier and happier in the meantime.



wildlifetrusts.org/closer-to-nature

Let nature help beat climate change!

Protecting and restoring wildlife and wild places is essential for us to combat the nature and climate emergency. We are working hard to make sure our peatlands, saltmarshes and woodlands are healthier, so that they lock up carbon and provide other benefits such as clean water. All of us can help play a part in nature's recovery by calling on our politicians to restore our natural landscapes and thinking carefully about some of the decisions we make as consumers, such as buying peat-free compost in the garden centre.



wildlifetrusts.org/climate-emergency

Protecting our seas

Our oceans are in trouble... unsustainable development, the way we fish, and pollution are putting a huge burden on the big blue. However, The Wildlife Trusts are campaigning for better protection, leading surveys and citizen science projects on the coast and under the sea, and inspiring people with the wonder of our underwater wildlife.



wildlifetrusts.org/marine-protected-areas

Where will you discover next?

We care for over 2,900 nature reserves, creating havens not just for wildlife but for people too. Whether you're exploring with little ones, stealing yourself up for a challenging walk, or searching for something out of the ordinary, the diversity of our nature reserves means we can help you find somewhere that's special.



wildlifetrusts.org/nature-reserves

There's always something wild going on

All our lives are better when they're a bit wild - and your local Wildlife Trust is here to help with that! From bat walks to online talks, there are hundreds of organised events every year up and down the country, helping people experience, learn about and enjoy wildlife.



wildlifetrusts.org/events

Plan your next adventure



With your Wildlife Trust



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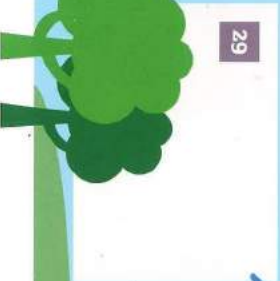
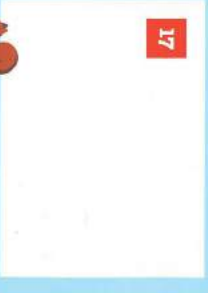
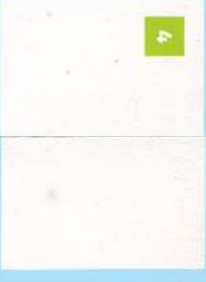
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What Random Acts of Wildness will you try this 30 Days Wild? Note what you did and how it made you feel.

Share your daily Random Acts of Wildness photos and wild places using #30DaysWild

Make up your own wild activities or be inspired by our Random Acts of Wildness at wildlifetrusts.org/30DaysWild

1 **Big Wild Breakfast**
wildlifetrusts.org/big-wild-breakfast



30 DAYS WILD

Stay wild with your Wildlife Trust

Feeling inspired? Find out more about your Wildlife Trust and how you can continue to act for wildlife wildlifetrusts.org/get-involved



Ages 5-11

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FRENCH

Bonjour!



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WEDS 21ST JULY
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£7.50 PER CLUB
SESSION



- ★ 60 MINUTES OF SONGS, GAMES, STORIES AND ACTIVE LEARNING
- ★ ENGAGE A LOVE OF LANGUAGES AT RECEPTION/KS1
- ★ SUPPORT IN SCHOOL CURRICULUM AT KS2



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#100orMoore Challenge

28th May to 11th June 2021



SPSA are challenging all children, parents, grandparents, teachers and Cassington community to continue Captain Tom Moore's legacy by completing a 100 of 'something' to raise money for St Peter's School.

We are asking all participants to choose a challenge that suits them best. The challenge can be anything: it could be reading 100 pages of a book, 100 star jumps, bake 100 cakes, plant 100 seeds. The list is endless! The challenge can be completed over a 2 week period – 28th May to 11th June and we just ask that it is safe and Covid safe, they complete it 100 times and, more importantly, they have fun while they do it. You can complete as many challenges as you like.

We are asking you and the wider community to support this challenge and fundraiser as raising money this year has been affected due to Covid. One of our biggest fundraisers each year is through Cassington Bike Night which is sadly not happening for the second year running.

SPSA still want to support St Peter's children by being able to contribute to school trips (when trips are allowed again), school equipment and also the well-used school swimming pool.

To give you an idea of how much we can raise:

If 100 children each raise £15.00 we raise £1,500.

If 100 children each raise £20.00 we raise £2,000

If 100 children each raise £25.00 we raise £2,500

If 100 children each raise £30.00 we raise £3,000

Each child will receive a medal and certificate for taking part and there will be a prize for the most creative challenge in each class.

Please return the challenge form to your child's class teacher by **Friday 11th June**. Medals and certificates will be given out the following week w/c 14th June.

Sponsorship money can be paid via www.givey.com/spsa100ormoorechallenge2021

If you have any questions do not hesitate to ask one of the SPSA team.

We are looking forward to see what you come up with! Good Luck!

