

Newsletter



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Friday 27th January 2023



This week we are looking at some of the activities that Willow class have taken part in.

They have had a very busy week!



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THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A



PEANUT/NUT FREE
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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.

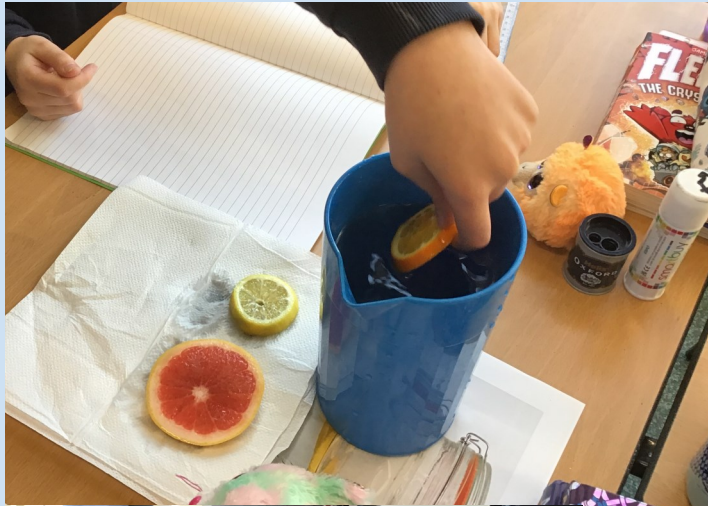
Another busy week in Willow has seen us doing all sorts of things. Here is a taster of what we got up to. PE saw us learn the sub-continental game of kabaddi. This is a game played with two teams each, with their own half of a court. Team 1 has to stand in a line holding hands whilst team 2 send a lone member into team one's half of the court. That person has to take a big breath and say 'kabbadi' over and over again until they run out of breath. The idea is that they tag an opposing team player and get back over to their own side without being tagged back. If they manage it, they earn a point. If they are tagged back, the other team earns the point instead. After every player has had a go, the team with the most points wins. Isla said "It was a lot of fun!"



In music we have been learning local folk tunes. This week we practised playing them on our new glockenspiels and writing the notation on manuscript paper.



In art we have been working in the style of local artist Tim Steward as part of our Oxfordshire and the Cotswolds topic, using pastels, chalks and ink to create images of St Peter's church. Here's what we have so far. If you've ever seen Tim's work then you'll know we have an extra step to go before we are finished...



In science the children we taking part in a practical investigation finding out about the properties of different fresh fruits.



The week finished with a calligraphy session in support of the children's recent learning in Mandarin lessons. It was fantastic to see how much they have learned this year and how much they enjoy their language sessions.



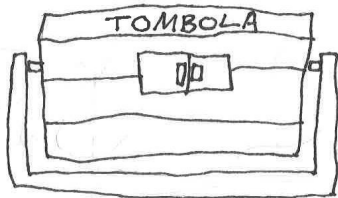
ST. PETER'S SCHOOL

Fair WEDNESDAY 8TH FEB

TOMBOLA

CAN YOU PLEASE BRING IN ANY OLD UNWANTED TOYS/BOOKS/GAMES FOR THE PRIZES. THEY MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION. THEY NEED TO BE BROUGHT IN AT RECEPTION BY TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY.

REMEMBER TO BUY SOME TICKETS!



CAKE SALE

On February 8th this year, we are doing a school fair. In the school fair we are doing a cake sale, so it would be appreciated if you could donate a batch of cakes to help with the fair.

If you are going to donate some cakes, please make sure you have a list of ingredients and then give them to Emily in the office.



Please Bake FOR Our
Chicken Fundraiser!



Bring cakes to
the office 8th Feb
List all ingredients

Thank you

Dear parents and carers,

We are having a fundraiser!



Perhaps you were wondering why we are having a fundraiser? We need to make as much money as we can because we care a lot about animals and wildlife. We will then split the money between the Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue and our St Peter's Chickens. This is what we want to use the money for:

1. We are going to donate half of the money to the Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue (our 'official' charity) who have recently built a new hospital and are saving up for a new ambulance. They had over 6000 patients last year and are expanding to cope with the amount of local animals needing them.
2. We also need to buy our chickens some flooring (wood chip and some planks will keep their feet dry and prevent them from getting anything horrible like trench foot) and a new roof for the shed to keep it dry inside.
3. In addition we were aiming to buy our rescue chickens some treats so we can give them a wide variety of nutrients, some toys to entertain them and some greenery to keep them healthy and well.



Please come to our fundraiser on
Wednesday 8th of February
3:15-4:30pm

There will be lots of stalls, lots of games and a cake stall & café.
Don't forget to bring some money!

We will be asking for donations of cakes and biscuits nearer the time. Also, if you have any second hand toys, games or books in good condition, we are collecting those, too!

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

The St Peter's School Chicken and Charity Leaders





News



School Pool Meet – Tuesday 31 January, 7.30pm, Red Lion

The village is looking to see if there is a community solution to getting the pool back open and we are meeting to discuss the options. All welcome.

(This is not an SPSA meeting or a school meeting.)

St Peters school is having a fundraiser for the chickens and oxford wildlife rescue.

There will be:

Hook a chicken

Tombola

Tattoo's

Plant sale

Second hand book sale

And toy sale

Lucky dip

Guess the name of the chicken

Number of sweets in a jar

And a Cafe

Wednesday February 8th

3:15-4:30

Please come!

Our Book Review winners for this fortnight!

Please encourage your child to submit a book review (or as many as they want!) When they bring in a book review, their name goes into a hat and each week Mr Jeffries will draw names to win a book.

If they would like to join in, please see www.st-petersoxon.co.uk/reading/ where you can download book review forms. We also have some printed out in our Reception.

We have special book review forms for Apple Tree, however, their review could also be a picture or a short video uploaded to tapestry.





Awards of the Week



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If your child has an award below, you are invited to join us for our Celebration Assembly next Friday at 8:45am in the school hall:

Class	Vision Award	Values Award— <i>Creativity</i>	'R' Award— <i>Reciprocity</i>
 Apple	<i>Maeve Forest</i>	<i>Harloe Meade</i>	<i>Roman Goodwin</i>
 Oak	<i>Abigail Andrews</i>	<i>Phoebe Knight</i>	<i>Fynnley Boyne-Ryan</i>
 Maple	<i>Celyn Phillips</i>	<i>Rose Armitage</i>	<i>Sasha Forostovskaya</i>
 Willow	<i>Olly Hollis</i>	<i>Mae Oliver</i>	<i>Daniel Labi</i>
 Headteacher's Award	<i>Tobias Woolley</i>		

If your child is away for any reason and not able to collect their award, we will present it to them the following week.

Together, let's make it count



**Big Garden
Birdwatch**

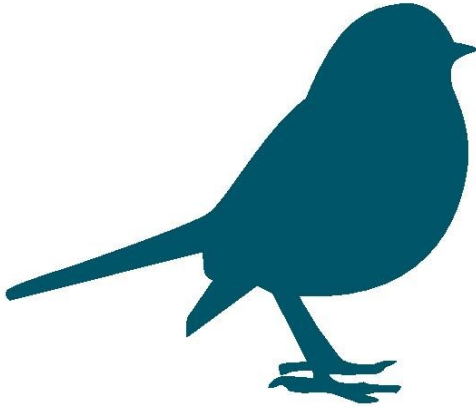
27–29 January 2023

Play your part at: rspb.org.uk/birdwatch



Taking part is as easy as 1, 2, 3

Your how-to-guide and tally chart



Big Garden Birdwatch

27–29 January 2023

- Count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 27 and 29 January 2023.
This chart shows some of the birds you might see. Where we don't show male and female birds, the sexes look similar, but are not always identical. Use the tally boxes to help record and count the birds you spot. You'll find lots of tips on identifying birds as well as their calls at rspb.org.uk/birdwatch
- It's easy to count the birds you see, if you follow these simple rules.
Only include birds that land, not those flying over. Count the highest number of each species you see at any one time, otherwise you could count the same bird twice. For example, if you saw a group of four starlings, and towards the end of the hour you saw two starlings together, please record four as your final count.
- Then tell us what you saw at rspb.org.uk/birdwatch OR complete and send us the print-from-home form.
Whatever you saw – even if nothing at all – please let us know. The more people that submit their findings, the better picture we will have of how garden birds are faring.
If you are unable to submit your results online, please complete and send us the print-from-home form.

Helping you make your Big Garden Birdwatch count

Get involved on our social channels

Throughout the Big Garden Birdwatch long weekend, you can join in the conversation on our social channels. See what other nature lovers are spotting across the UK and you can upload pics and comment about your Birdwatch. Go to #BigGardenBirdWatch

Get ID tips and expert advice

You'll find lots of advice on identifying birds by sight and sound, as well as expert insights into garden wildlife at rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

The RSPB is a registered charity in England and Wales 207076, in Scotland SC037654. Starling by Tom Mason (rspb-images.com). Illustrations by Mike Langman (rspb-images.com) BGBW-23

 Female Male Blackbird 	 Blue tit 	 Female Male Chaffinch 	 Coal tit
 Dunnock 	 Female Male House sparrow 	 Long-tailed tit 	 Collared dove
 Greenfinch 	 Goldfinch 	 Robin 	 Starling
 Magpie 	 Great tit 	 Woodpigeon 	



A Message From Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am sure that you can't help but have noticed our wonderful new playground markings this week! The children were extremely excited, as the surprise unfolded during the day on Tuesday. We now have a new checkers board, maze, obstacle course markings, various wall games/activities and duck, duck goose. This was kindly paid for by the SPSA and a special thank you to Louise Judd for being a part of the planning and design process. The children are already making good use of the activities and we hope this will provide much entertainment for a long time to come.

Our St Peter's Chickens Leaders and the Charity Leaders are busily organising a fundraiser to raise lots of money for our chosen charity of Oxfordshire Wildlife Rescue and also the St Peter's Chickens. This will be held after school on Wednesday 8th February from 3.15pm - 4.30pm. The stalls will include activities like guess the number of sweets in the jar, hook a chicken, guess the name of the chicken, coin drop, tombola, lucky dip, second toys and books sale and much more. There will also be a cake sale, a cafe and a plant stall. Please do save the date in your diary and we look forward to seeing you there!

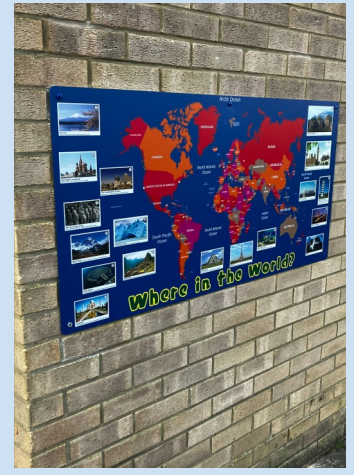
As we continue our work on spirituality, Mr Griffiths kindly came to lead a collective worship on this last week. He gave us much pause for thought in considering a love for God, a love for the world and a love for others. We learned that by increasing our awareness of the beauty around us we will feel better ourselves and in turn make the world a better place.

Building on the Mandarin lessons in Maple and Willow, today, both classes enjoyed a calligraphy workshop. They learned about the history and importance of calligraphy, its evolution and key tools. Next week, Oak will be doing a similar workshop and also a Mandarin Language Taster session as part of their China topic this term.

We are pleased to announce that Kathryn Humphris will be joining the school as TA in Oak class at the end of March. Many of you will know Kathryn from the village and her forest school business. Kathryn has experience of working with children of all ages and abilities, has had 3 children at St Peter's, and has also previously been a governor here. We are excited about how she will help us continue moving the school forward.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend,

Jon Jeffries





Calendar



Please see the website for more information - <https://www.st-petersoxon.co.uk/diary>

JANUARY

Friday 27th to Sunday 29th - RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

Tuesday 31st - Calligraphy workshop for Oak Class

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 1st - People who inspire us assembly

Monday 6th to Friday 10th - Safer internet week

Tuesday 7th - Oak Class visit to Ashmolean Museum

Wednesday 8th - **Wildlife & Chicken Rescue Fundraiser! 3:15 - 4:30pm**

Monday 13th to Friday 17th - HALF TERM

Tuesday 21st - Heights and Weights for Reception & Year 6

Tuesday 21st - Stay & Play in Apple Tree - 2-3pm - £3 per family

Tuesday 28th - Apple Tree visit to Crocodiles of the World

MARCH

Thursday 2nd - WORLD BOOK DAY

Wednesday 8th - Yr 6 Dental survey

Tuesday 14th - Oak Class - Dance Workshop

Week beginning Monday 20th - Parents Evenings

Monday 27th - Maple Play

Tuesday 28th - Oak Class - Drama Workshop

Tuesday 28th - Stay & Play in Apple Tree - 2-3pm - £3 per family

Tuesday 28th - Maple Play

Friday 31st - Finish Term at 1:15pm

APRIL

Monday 3rd—Friday 14th - Easter Holidays

If you would like to put anything in the newsletter, please get it to Emily in the office, by Friday 11am at the latest!

Value of the term

Creativity

Child quote of the term

Creativity is a superpower which lets you unlock your imagination - Ivy

This Week's Big Question

This is the big question that we talked about in collective worship this week.
How about having a discussion about it at home?

What is the most precious gift a person can give?

'R' of the Term

Reciprocity

Reciprocity



I can share what I did



I can share my ideas



I want to know more



Reciprocity



I can listen to others carefully



I can discuss ideas clearly and work together



I can imagine the thoughts and feelings of others



Reciprocity



- I can **recognise** when to work alone or with others
- I can **listen** to others carefully
- I can **demonstrate** understanding of other views
- I can **discuss** ideas clearly and help others learn
- I can **innovate** with others' ideas and ways of learning
- I can **evaluate** different points of view and adapt my methods

Your children will recognise these posters from their class. You may find these useful to use at home and to help reinforce what we are doing in school.



SHORT STORY

WRITING COMPETITION!

Are you aged between 7 and 11?

Do you love writing?

Why not have a go at writing a short story
for our competition?



It can be on any topic and up to
3,000 words long



The winning story will be published as an
eBook for library members to borrow!

More information and instructions on how to enter can be
found on the Oxfordshire Libraries website.

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Entries open: **3 January 2023**

 Oxfordshire Libraries

Closing date: **26 February 2023**

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/shortstorycompetition





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SCIENCE BAZAAR BEYOND



Saturday 18 February 2023

9:30am - 11:30am
Relaxed autism-
friendly early opening

11:30am - 4pm
Open to all
(no need to book just
drop-in and explore)

[BOOK HERE](#)

**FREE FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!
MOST SUITABLE FOR 5-12YRS**

Oxford Brookes University, Clerici Building, Headington
Campus, Gipsy Lane, Headington, OX3 0BP



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TIMED ACTIVITIES

These can be booked upon your arrival

MEGA ROBO MORAL MACHINES

Can robots be good? In this interactive workshop, professor of AI and Robotics Nigel Crook and comics artist Neill Cameron (Mega Robo Bros, The Phoenix) join forces to make comics looking at the rise of moral machines, how robots might learn to make moral decisions, and what could possibly go wrong along the way!

Session 1) 10:30am – 11:30am

Session 2) 12pm – 1pm

PARASITE COMICS

In this interactive workshop, parasitologist Dr Jack Sunter and comics artist Neill Cameron (Mega Robo Bros, The Phoenix) join forces to make comics exploring the fascinating world of parasites - nature's original transformers!

Session 1) 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Session 2) 3pm – 4pm

CROCODILES OF THE WORLD

Ever wondered how many teeth a crocodiles has? Or what they feel like? Get up close and personal with crocodiles! Discover more about these amazing animals with Crocodiles of the World!

Session 1) 12pm – 12:20pm

Session 2) 12:30pm – 12:50pm

Session 3) 1pm – 1:20pm

Session 4) 1:30pm – 1:50pm

CHINESE HANDCRAFTS

Have a go at creating your very own velvet peach blossom in this workshop led by the Confucius Institute at Oxford Brookes.

Session 1) 1pm – 2pm

Session 2) 3pm - 4pm

KUNG FU

Explore the antient art of Kung Fu in this demonstrator led workshop by the Confucius Institute at Oxford Brookes.

Session 1) 2pm – 3pm



EXPLORE OUR 5 EXCITING ZONES!



**The Life
Factory**
(biology,
wildlife, and
the world
around us)



**Happy and
Healthy**
(health,
exercise, and
nutrition)



**Mind Your
Brain**
(psychology
and your
mind)



**The Tech
Zone**
(engineering,
motorsport,
and robotics)



**The
Discovery
Zone**
(poetry,
culture, and
people)

HERE IS A SMALL TASTE OF WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

Bazaar anagram trail - explore the event zones to find hidden letters, find all the letters, unscramble to make a word, and win a prize

Competitions

Interactive, hands-on activities

Timed workshops (you will be able to book on the day)

Slime making!

Build and launch your very own Rocket Car

Meet a crocodile with Crocodiles of the World

Experiment with Bright Sparks Science

LEGO building with The Brick People

Coding LEGO robots with Beyond Blocks

Create a comic book with Neill Cameron, author of MEGA ROBO BROS

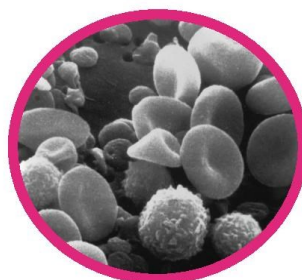
Cafe

Film at 4pm: The LEGO Movie

NO PARKING ON SITE EXCEPT FOR ACCESS NEEDS

By attending the Science Bazaar, you will have the opportunity to participate in real-word research. Stop by our 'I am a Researcher' booth and find out more!

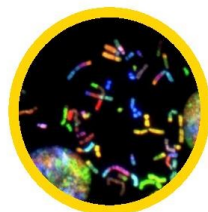
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SCIENCE BAZAAR SATURDAYS



Saturday 28 January 2023
11 am – 12 pm



Science Bazaar Saturdays presents Cells: life's building blocks! Join

Bright Sparks Science in investigating cell biology, organelles and replication! This virtual event is FREE and open to all.

Fun for all the family and most suitable for 5 – 12 years.

Register at:



<https://brookes.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0lf-uvrjMpGtLVCDpiRhYG3bsOR0GrhOa>



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BE SMART ONLINE



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SAFE

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.



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MEET

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk



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ACCEPTING

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.



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RELIABLE

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.



T

TELL

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk



BE SMART WITH A HEART

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.





Dino Digital Detectives

Name	
Class	
Potential harmful activity detected	
Date handed to office	

Action	
Review	

Unlocking....

Minds that learn, Hearts that love, Faith that gives

