

# Stogursey C of E Primary & Pre-School

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Hello Everyone,

### **Triscom**be

Continuing our Florence Nightingale topic, a special visitor showed the children how to apply bandages on Monday. Triscombe were taught how to use bandages in the hospital play area, and talked about the importance of keeping things clean. The children said, "We learned how to do bandages so that if we want, we can be a nurse when we are older."



#### **Alfoxton**

Earlier in the month, Alfoxton wrote to the Twinning Association asking questions about Lonlay L'Abbaye such as, 'Does your land flood?' and, 'What is the closest city? This week, the children had a visit from Sukey and Caroline from the Twinning Association who answered their questions and shared lots of information about the village. The children learned all about Lonlay L'Abbaye – including that the village even has its own biscuit factory! "It was interesting because I didn't know about that place,' said Alexzander, "It was very interesting learning about the different climate as it's hotter and it doesn't get much as rain" said Harry. Alfoxton very much enjoyed the visit and are looking forward to meeting the children of Lonlay L'Abbaye village school in a video call soon.

The children have also been looking at sound this week and conducted an experiment to see what effect sound waves have on popcorn and jelly. We were surprised to see that the popcorn appeared to be jumping around at the end of the experiment whereas the jelly just vibrated and wobbled a lot. Chole said, "The popcorn was bouncing around because of the sound waves and the vibrations they caused." We now understand more about how soundwaves work and help us hear.







#### **Beacon**

Beacon Class are really excited to have started reading a new book, 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold. It is about a little girl who travels to an island to monitor weather changes with her father - a meteorologist. They are the only humans on the island and all bears on Bear Island have been wiped out by the actions of mankind. The children were asked what they would like to achieve as their goal for writing stories linked to this text. They came up with the idea of creating stories with a moral message regarding human impact on climate change. The children have expressed the wish to send these stories to national care homes, hospitals as well as international schools to educate people around the world about how they can make a difference to protect the environment and save the world. The children are going to produce their work on Chromebooks then translate the texts using Google Translate so they



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can send a bilingual version (having both English and the native language) of their stories to other countries.



#### The Last Bear

Winner of the Blue Peter Book Awards 2022

Shortlisted for the British Book Awards - Children's Book of the Year

Winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2022

### **Adventurers**

Following a recipe themselves, children in Alfoxton made a delicious sweet and sour curry this week. The children selected all the equipment and ingredients they needed, peeled, chopped and cooked the ingredients on hobs, taking turns it in turns to stir the curry. "It was really fun slicing the pineapple," said Harry. Next week the children will be making chow-mein. Please remember to send your child in with a suitable tub. About the size of a take away tub is ideal!

Triscombe have been making moving toys this week and have designed and decorated boxes to make all sorts of toys including planes, cars and monsters. Next week the children will be putting the wheels on! In Beacon we have been thinking about animal welfare, and this week enjoyed our special visitors Fury the falcon and ferrets, Rosie and Sandy. The children asked many questions about them and looked at the difference between domesticated and wild animals.



Adventurers are looking for volunteers to help with our walk to a local farm in a couple of weeks' times – if you are able to help we would be very grateful for your support, please let Miss Dunwood know.

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March Beacon are doing a bake sale for Blue Cross animal charity. Beacon class will be making and selling cakes after school – please look out for information to follow and support Beacon class and this wonderful cause.

#### **Snow day**

Our thanks to Miss Dunwood and the Stogursey staff team who helped keep the school open for as long as possible during snow day! Children who were able to make it into school had a wonderful morning making snow angels, snow balls and snow men in the field, and warmed up afterwards with hot chocolate. Beatrix said, "It was really, really fun that we got to go in the snow and have some hot chocolate!" Jasmine said, "It was really fun - I threw some snowballs"









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## Can you help?

Reading volunteers – We are looking for parents, carers, grandparents or friends of the school to help with hearing children read in all classes at various times throughout the week. If you are interested, please speak to Miss Day or contact the office.

### **Important Dates**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March: NHS Height and Weight Check for Year 6 and Reception

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March:

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March:

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:

Bring someone special

Late Parents Evening

Short Parents Evening

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Tombola and Non-School Uniform

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March: Beacon Charity Cake Sale

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Bingo
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Egg Hunt
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March: End of Term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April-Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Half Term Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April: First day back

Have a great weekend



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