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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today has been a wonderful day in school as we marked Comic Relief Day together. The children looked absolutely delightful dressed in red, and the atmosphere has been full of laughter, smiles, and joy. It's days like today that remind us just how important humour is—not only for bringing us together, but also for supporting our wellbeing. I've shared some genuinely funny moments with both staff and children throughout the day, from unexpected jokes to brilliant one-liners, and it's been such a joy to see everyone enjoying themselves while supporting a fantastic cause. A good laugh really can lift the spirits, and our school has been full of warmth and positivity today. It's also been lovely to be back out on the field, with the sun finally making an appearance! Children have been making the most of the space, enjoying the sporting activities on offer at playtimes and lunchtimes. Seeing them active, happy, and spending time together outdoors is a welcome sign that spring is on the way. Thank you for your continued support and for helping us make today so special. Wishing you all a restful weekend filled with a few laughs of your own.

Warm Regards

Gary Tucker
Headteacher

Beacon

Beacon class have been working hard learning more gruesome stories from the Sister Who Ate her Brothers Collection. This time, a troll met his match in a very unpleasant way. I look forward to reading their versions next week when we have embedded lots of language and key features. The science experiments carried on this week with an investigation into air resistance and how they would be and most safely reach Earth if they should find themselves jumping out of an aeroplane! The children are excited for their school trip next week and to put all the building blocks of knowledge learned from the unit on The Battle of Sedgemoor into place. We can't wait!



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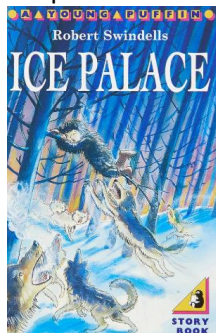


Alfoxton

This week in our English lessons, we began a new learning journey based on the book, 'The Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells. We discovered that an evil character appears every winter with a pack of ferocious wolves so the villagers live in fear throughout the winter months. We used our imaginations to visualise the evil character and orally described how we think he might look. It was so interesting to see each other's' interpretations of the evil character - Starjik.

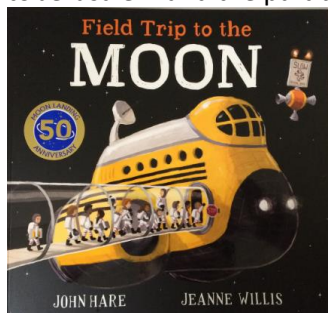
In Maths, we are working on multiplication and division. We are exploring the relationship between division and multiplication and deepening our understanding of multiplicative relationships and how they can be manipulated. On Thursday, Mr Tucker joined us for Maths, introducing us to a really fun Maths game. This built our mental addition skills and problem-solving skills as he added additional challenges throughout the game. It was good fun!

Over the course of the week, we read the Easter Story and created our own scripts to read aloud in the upcoming church service. We worked on our 'read aloud' skills so that we read clearly, at a good pace for the audience and adapt our voices to suit the context of what we are reading. We look forward to sharing this with you in church.



Triscombe

It's been a busy two weeks filled with lots of learning and excitement! In English, we've been enjoying the story *The Field Trip to the Moon*, and we've been focusing on improving our descriptive writing techniques. In Science, the children have been exploring different materials and learning how to identify their properties. Our History lessons have continued to take us through the fascinating journey of space travel, and this week, we focused on the incredible story of Neil Armstrong. In RE, we've been diving into Bible stories, including the events of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and the parable of The Good Samaritan. It's been a wonderful time of discovery and growth!



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[2 Peter 3:18]



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Preschool

Last week and this week, we have continued with our space theme. Last week saw the children making colourful cotton wool planets, using pipettes to drop paint onto the cotton wool pads. They made sun catchers by sticking coloured cellophane shapes onto rocket and planet shaped sticky back plastic and painted planets onto tin foil. We learned the planets names through song and measured out ingredients to make smoothie lollies.

This week the children have enjoyed making rocket models from junk modelling and enjoyed choosing which colours to paint them. They have used fine motor skills by picking up 'space rocks' with tweezers and spoons to transport them through 'space'. Using chalks, the children chose planets and drew circles to represent them, before copying the details of the planet's surfaces onto their drawings. They also got to try the smoothie lollies they made last week at snack time - which went down a treat!

This week our book has been 'Amazing' and we have talked about who we think is amazing - Mummy came out top of the list with most of the children, alongside a child's fish! We also used our 'Wishing star' to think about what we would wish for if we were an astronaut in space and how we would feel if our wish came true. The answers ranged from - having a wrap to eat, which would make them happy to taking a penguin, as they got one from Father Christmas and it made them happy!



Wraparound Timings

A polite reminder, please could you pick up your child/children at the designated times of 4.30pm or 5.45pm only. Some days there is only one member of staff who will be cooking a hot meal, looking after the children and going to answer the door at different times. As you can imagine this can be quite challenging. If you need to pick your child/children up earlier than the designated time, please could you call the school office before 3.30pm.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation.



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Swimming

Reception, Year 1/2/3 will swim this term. We would be grateful if you could please complete and return the permission slip by **Friday 4th April 2025**. Our first swimming session will be the first day back after the Easter Holidays on Tuesday 22nd April. Please don't forget your child's swimwear and towel.



Cash Pot for Schools

Many thanks to the community for raising £171.50 through the Asda cash pot for schools scheme. We will spend this on boosting our reading scheme books.



Attendance Alligator Winner This Week:



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Punctuality Panda Winner This Week:



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Important Dates

Friday 21st March:

Thursday 27th March:

Thursday 3rd April:

Friday 4th April:

Monday 7th April-Friday 18th April:

Monday 21st April:

Tuesday 22nd April:

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Monday 5th May:

Comic Relief

Year 6 Battle of Sedgemoor Class Trip

Easter Egg Hunt at 3.00pm

Easter Service at the Church at 2.00pm

Easter Holidays

Bank Holiday

Reception/Year 1/Year 2/ Year 3 Swimming

VE Day Open Day 2.00pm-3.00pm

Bank Holiday

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