



Uffington Church of England Primary School

"Everyone Matters"
Love, Honesty, Courage



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Newsletter

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Note from Mrs Bradbury

I hope that you have all had a chance to read the letter I sent to you yesterday regarding full school reopening. We are very much looking forward to welcoming all year groups back on 8th March. We have closely examined all information from the Department for Education and the system of controls, measures which inform us how to minimise any possible transmission will be in place, with our newly updated risk assessment available on the school website next week. For those parents using the critical workers class the office sent out a message on Tuesday to say that school will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th March in order to allow us to prepare, clean and arrange classrooms ready for all pupils to return.

Please spend some time talking to your children about returning to school so that they are prepared to follow safety procedures e.g. lots of hand washing. We intend to make school as welcoming, fun and engaging as possible. Brass lessons and iRock lessons will also return from the week beginning 8th March and the vicar has kindly let us use the church space for these. There are spaces available for any of you wishing to sign your children up to these, there is a cost involved - please contact the school office for further details should you require them.

At school we are very hopeful that the children will not have any more interruptions to their education but also are mindful and grateful to the efforts you've put in, in supporting us with home educating your children.

Whole School News



Next week's puzzle piece is:
I have eaten a healthy balanced diet.

World Book Day

As part of our drive to maintain, promote and engage pupil interest in reading, the school is having a WORLD BOOK 'week' starting the week commencing Monday 1st March. Although, this day/week might be a little different to previous years, as we adapt to home learning. At Uffington School, each of the teachers will be sharing their favourite book for one afternoon. The whole school will have access to that story and its activities on that day. They will introduce you to their book and then provide exciting activities that have been tailored to meet the needs of the different age groups. These activities have been grouped and labelled into classes. Just look out for the link to the 'World Book Day' Class on google Classroom! These readings and activities will take the place of any afternoon classes, so it's not all extra work!

Junior Bake Off

...Is looking for young budding bakers aged between
9 to 15 years old.
Filming will take place from July 2021, but **applications close on Sunday 28th March 2021.**
Interested bakers can apply online at -
www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk
Enquiries please email:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

Class news & other bits

White Horse

During the last week of term in White Horse Class, we were looking at Chinese New Year! We made lanterns, fans and fire breathing dragons. We learnt about the Chinese New Year story and some interesting facts about China. We also had a go at some Chinese writing and mathematical sums!

Only one more week to go until we are all back together again. Keep going, you are all doing a fantastic job and the quality of work I have been receiving has been outstanding! Well done!

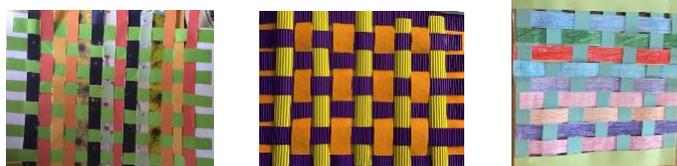


Ridgeway

This week, remotely in Ridgeway Class, we have been using pictures as a stimulus for writing different sentence types. We have also been using adverbs to make our sentences more interesting. In Maths, Year 2 children have finished their unit on statistics by reading block diagrams and Year 1 children have been consolidating their place value knowledge by comparing numbers to 50.

Dragon

This week the children have started to explore instruction writing in English. They have been looking at the features of instruction writing and have been exploring imperative verbs. In Maths they have been looking at mental methods for subtraction. They have also been looking at perimeter and area. In our topic we have started to explore the Bronze Age and have been looking at some artefacts from the era. In Art the children have been looking at the art of paper weaving and have created some amazing designs.



Wayland

After the week's break, Wayland launched back into their fraction work and I have had some wonderful maths conversations with children this week, really showing their understanding and developing their mathematical thinking. We also continued our work on materials, although I haven't seen any pictures of successful ice cream experiments yet! For the last two weeks (we hope) of home learning, the children have begun to think about doors that have been closed and doors that might be opening now and we had some lovely ideas, one I found particularly moving given recent events: "I opened the magical, marvellous door and found myself looking at a beautiful, blue water park with happy, grinning children licking ice creams with the sun shining upon the world smiling on all its inhabitants." This is definitely what I will be hoping to see soon!

Whole School

Please be reminded that pupils currently attending school should have their hair tied. Thank you.

Breakfast Club - Term 4

Sessions are now available to book online up to the Easter break.

Any queries please contact the school office.

Mothers' Day Colouring Competition

To celebrate Mothers' Day, Perry Bishop and Chambers in Faringdon are holding a colouring competition. They would like to fill their office windows with colourful pictures of your mother or the special person who looks after you.

Your picture should be no bigger than A4 and must be portrait. You can use coloured crayons, felt tip pens or paint.

Entries must be received by **5pm on Thursday 11th March**. Please hand in to their offices at 16 Market Place, Faringdon or scan and e-mail entries to: faringdon@perrybishop.co.uk.

There will be prizes for the best in each of three age categories: Reception to Year 2, Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6.

£1 will be donated by Perry Bishop to the Faringdon Foodbank for each entry received. Please don't forget to include your name, year group and school on the back of the picture.

Good luck!

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust

TalkingSpace Plus

Life has likely been stressful during this COVID 19 pandemic. It is really important to take time to care for yourselves. TalkingSpace Plus is a free, confidential NHS service for adults in Oxfordshire, to help people when they're feeling stressed, anxious or low and we offer our treatments online for your safety and convenience.

If you feel you would benefit from support please contact our service directly on 01865 901222 or visit

www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/talkingspaceplus.

We are a nut free school.

Please do not send your child to school with any food products containing nuts.