



'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We thoroughly enjoyed the sunshine this week! The staff and children have been busy preparing for Fabulous Finales and end of term assessments and we are filled with pride. Next week is the last week of term before the Easter holidays; we look forward to seeing many of you at the Easter Service on Wednesday. The children start back at school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April for the Summer Term.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, EASTER SERVICE, please bring your child to the church, ready for the service to begin at 9:00am.** There will be no Year 6 SATs booster session on this day.

Parents, family and friends are warmly invited to attend our Easter Service. If your child is in the Junior class, you are welcome to walk back to school with us after the service, have refreshments and then stay for the KS2 Fabulous Finale!

FABULOUS FINALES - families are invited to join their child's Fabulous Finale and celebrate the children's learning from the term.

Year Group	Title	Date & Time
Reception and Ladybirds	'Off on an Adventure'	<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b> 2:15pm onwards
Butterflies and Year 2	'Join our Journey'	<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b> 2:15pm onwards
KS2	'A Moment in Time'	<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b> 10.30-11.30am

### SUMMER TERM DATES

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

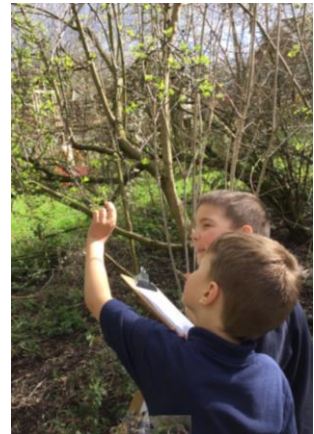
Please note Bank Holidays in May: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023

This week's learning highlights:

News from Infants (Reception, Y1 and Y2)

We enjoyed looking for signs of spring this week as part of our theme during Science lessons. We were all surprised to see so many lovely blossoms on our school trees already. We continued measuring this week using centimetres and thought about how to measure time in Reception. We have been impressed with the enthusiasm from the children this week too and their interest in learning. Well done everyone! - From Mrs Nash



Year 2 worked hard on some tricky maths problems this week and they've shown how to apply their skills across the four operations (+ - x ÷) to solve two step problems.

In English, the children delved deeper into the text *Grandpa's Island* and thought about what their own island might be like, and what they would do there if they had one. There were some great ideas including creating a swinging bridge, treehouse, catching fish using a spear and roasting it on their own campfire.

In Science, the Butterflies (Year 1/2) have monitored their cress and bean experiments by looking closely at the best conditions for optimum growth and consolidated their measuring skills by using rulers to measure the length of their beans. We've also been out and about looking for signs of spring, it's definitely on its way now! - From Mrs Oake.



News from the Juniors (KS2 - Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6)

Year 3 and 4 this week finished their class book *The Enchanted Horse*. Together we reviewed the book and most in class were able to predict the ending. We have enjoyed reading this together and sharing our opinions with the rest of the class. During literacy this week we created a role on the wall for the main character Irina and organised the facts we knew about her into categories ready for next week's description. The class have also been practising their Easter performance and are looking forward to their moment to shine at the church next week.

This week Year 5 and 6 really impressed us with their dedication to learning; they should be very impressed with what they achieved! We learnt about different grammatical devices and applied these to our oracy and writing. When we discussed the degree of possibility of something happening, we used modal verbs to explain the likeliness of an Asian Elephants' calf being stolen from the herd. We know this does occasionally happen in the wild. The children worked hard to inform everyone how likely it would be for their calf to be stolen or not.

## STARS OF THE WEEK

- | **Year R & 1:** Polly for brilliant effort in her independent writing
- | **Year 2:** Elijah for applying himself in his maths, showing a great attitude to his learning, strategic working out and resilience to his work
- | **Years 3/4:** Noah W for a positive, can do attitude towards learning our Easter poem even though he feels a bit anxious about performing it.
- | **Years 5/6:** Freya for hard work in her Maths this week

### REGULAR DATES

**Monday:** 1.00pm to 2.00pm Music with Estelle from the Music Service

**Tuesday:** 3.30pm onwards - Benjamin Howell, piano lessons

**Thursday:** Infants are swimming this morning - please come to school in PE kit. Please make sure that your child brings their swimming kit: suitable swimwear (no bikinis please) and towel.

1.00pm onwards Stef Judd, piano and guitar lessons

**Friday:** PE (Juniors and Infants) with Rob from ICS Coaching - children to come to school in PE kit.

### SWIMMING

All Infants swim on Thursdays (23rd February to 30th March). Please ensure your child has appropriate swimwear (no bikinis) and a towel on these days. Thank you.

### MINI GEAR RUN

If you would like to register your child for the Mini Gear run in King's Lynn on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April, please do so using the following link. If you asked us to sign you up when we previously advertised this event in the Autumn term, you are already registered.

<https://www.runforall.com/events/mini-and-junior-runs/mini-gear/>

Please can we ask you to regularly check your child/ren for headlice and ensure they are treated before they come in to school if any evidence of them is found.

## CLUBS

Day	Club	Who	Time
Monday	Art	KS2 Juniors (Mrs Stephens)	3:20pm - 4:20pm
Tuesday	Mini Builders	Infants (Mrs Nash)	12:30pm - 1:00pm
Thursday	Yoga	Infants (Mrs Oake)	3:20pm - 4:20pm
	Book Club	Y5 & Y6 (Mrs Robson)	3:20 - 4:00pm
Friday	Football	All (Rob)	11:45am - 12:15pm
	Football	All (ICS Coaching)	3:20pm - 4:15pm

## Message from the PFA

100 Club March winners are:

1st Prize	Gillian Goold
2nd Prize	Hilary Ward
3rd Prize	Jane Haley

## BABY GRAND PIANO

We have been contacted by someone local who is looking to give their Yamaha baby grand piano to a passionate instrument lover who is willing to take it and care for it. Please get in touch with the office or Headteachers if you are interested.



## ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is 96%

	Infants	Juniors	Overall
February	94.7%	96.5%	95.2%
January	94.6%	96.8%	95.9%
December	92.9%	95.2%	94.3%
November	97.8%	96.9%	97.3%

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Stibbon, Mrs Stephens and the Great Massingham team

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