

THE PREP WEEKLY

14 th November 2025



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A message from the Prep team

Despite the colossal amount of rain we have had it has been another fantastic week in Prep! We have been so impressed with Prep 4,5 and 6 for participating in the annual Rotary heats. We are looking forward to the finals on Monday evening where families of those presenting are welcomed to join us for an evening with the Rotarians. Each class will have a winner and runner up announced. The finalists in Prep 6 will also get to perform theirs again next week to the school who will vote for our school charity for the year. Our whole school Remembrance service was unfortunately moved to being in Oakley and not inside. However, Mr Partridge was impressed with how mature and considerate Prep were in our adapted service to show respect on Tuesday. There have been some great sporting events this week too with Prep 4 enjoying a great afternoon of contact rugby at St Peters School in Lympstone- well done to all who played! Please continue to use Dojo each day to check messages from the Prep team and keep up to date with events happening throughout the week- please note there are no clubs running on Tuesday due to staff training. Good luck to all the children taking part in the Year 6 Scholarship day next week- we hope you enjoy your time in the Senior school and enjoy showcasing just how great you are! I hope you all have a fantastic weekend and we look forward to another great week next week.

Mrs Hughes

The Week Ahead

Monday 17th November

- Rotary Finals (Finalists from Prep 4-6) 5.30pm in Oakley- Parents welcome
- Prep 6 finalists to present their Rotary talks to Prep in assembly to choose school charity

Tuesday 18th November

- No club running today

Wednesday 19th November

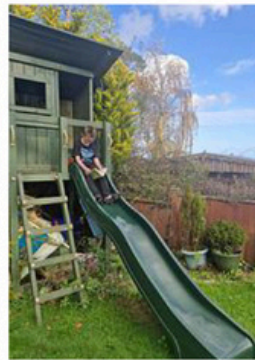
- 9.15-9.45 Nursery (Stables) Open Ballet class
- Prep 5/6 Inter-house Tag rugby

Thursday 20th November

- Prep 6 Scholarship Day
- Prep 3/ 4 Inter-house Tag rugby

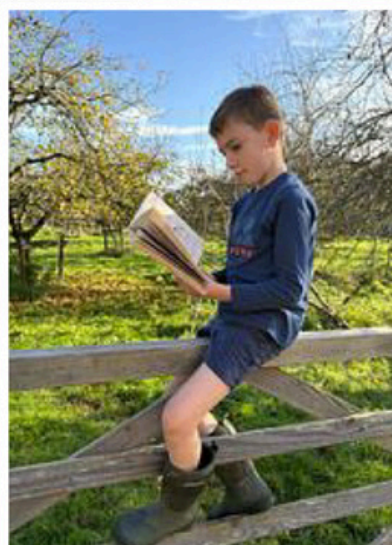
Friday 21st November

- No Events



Reading Challenge

Mrs Young
has been
impressed
with your
efforts to
read in the
great
outdoors-
thankyou for
sharing these
with us!



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Around the classes



The Lodge By Mrs Bryant

This week, the children made poppies to remember soldiers who lost their lives in the armed forces. We also celebrated Nursery Rhyme Week, during which we engaged in lots of singing and exploring different activities, including an Incey Wincey Spider tuff tray with blue rice, raindrops, a sun, a spider, and guttering to mimic rain. They counted spiders and searched for the sun. In the water tray, five little ducks went swimming one day. Using a net, the children fished out a duck with a number on it to help with their number recognition. In the sand tray, they found dinosaurs among cones, corks, and pebbles, playing 'There's a Dinosaur, Look, Look, Run, Run, Run'. To finish off the week, we made spider biscuits using Ritz crackers, cream cheese, and pretzels



The Stables By Mrs Wray-Chance

We have had a very busy week in the Stables this week. We have talked about Remembrance Day and why we wear poppies, made a handprint Poppy display and decorated Poppy biscuits before observing the 2 minute silence on Tuesday 11th November. This week is also Nursery Rhyme Week so we have heard lots of beautiful singing of rhymes as they have gone fishing for 1,2,3,4,5, made a clock for Hickory Dickory Dock, followed instructions involving prepositions to make a sheep for Baa Baa Black Sheep and Mary had a little lamb and enjoyed many more nursery rhyme props in our Nursery Rhyme Cottage. What a lot of fun!

Reception By Mrs Ganner

For National Science Day, Reception enjoyed carrying out an experiment using skittles!

We placed the skittles in a circle and added some warm water. We watched as the sugar coating dissolved and created a 'rainbow firework' effect through a process called diffusion. The children were amazed: "wow!" "The colour is spreading across the plate" "This is so cool but do we get to eat them?" Just some of the statements that made me smile as we did the experiment.



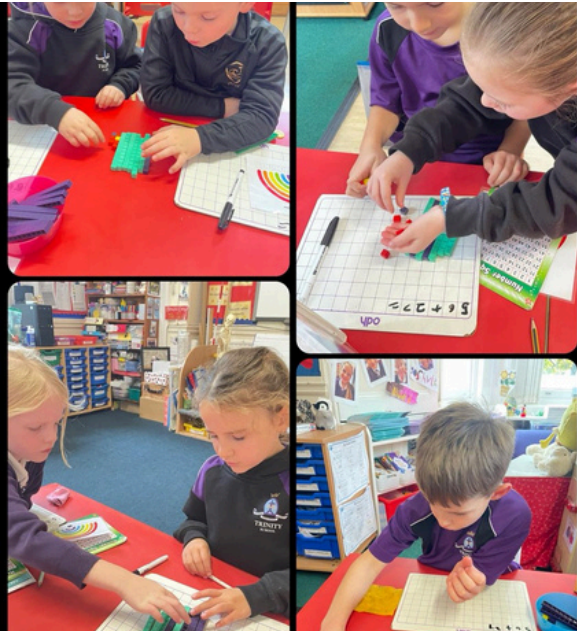
Around the classes



Prep 1

By Mrs May

In Art/Technology this week I challenged the children to make a firework rocket out of a rectangle and a circle of card. I showed them one I had made and gave them the card, glue, scissors and Sellotape and let them get on with the task without any instructions! It was a really interesting exercise to see how they approached the challenge, made choices and problem solved when things didn't go to plan. The successfully made rockets are complementing some firework themed writing in our classroom. The children are, quite rightly, very proud of them.



Prep 2

By Mrs Miller

Prep 2 have been very busy learning more methods for adding numbers. They have used a range of resources including hundred squares and tens frames to help them. As the numbers increased, they have used manipulatives, like Base 10, including images of it to be really efficient. Team work makes the dream work too!



Prep 3

By Mrs Young

This week in English Prep 3 have been doing some fantastic writing. The children read the Dreams chapter of the BFG by Roald Dahl and then began to plan their own dreams. The children wrote their dream recounts into their class books. They then took time to edit them, checking carefully for errors. They then wrote up their final dream recounts in best for our class display. It has been lovely to see the class having such creative ideas and taking pride in their work. Well done Prep 3!

Around the classes



Prep 4

By Mrs Hughes

As part of our Remembrance week we have read Farm Boy by Michael Morpurgo. This is the sequel to the famous War Horse and is a gentle story about a Grandson and Grandad sharing stories. The class have loved learning about how animals were and are used in conflicts and have been fascinated at the unusual facts they have discovered e.g. how rats, pigs, cats and elephants have been used in War. The class have shown great maturity with this topic too. Well done Prep 4.



Prep 5

By Mrs Sutton

Prep 5 enjoyed their first Monday library session this week and are excited about our new daily reading challenge, hoping to earn themselves a raffle ticket for our end of term draw!

They have shown much courage and some excellent performance skills both in presenting their Rotary speeches and performing short scenes in Drama. We had some excellent talks on subjects as diverse as Pompeii, Horse and Pony Care, and Commercial Planes.



Prep 6

by Mr Partridge

This week Prep 6 performed their Rotary talks to the judges and I was blown away by the quality of the talks. Every pupil spoke confidently and O have learned so much about a range of charities and family stories - from dogs of all shapes and sizes to sharks, medical charities performing incredible feats and even restoring temperate rainforest on Dartmoor. Great work Prep 6 from a very proud Mr P!



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Prep Life!





WOW!

Workers of the
★ Week ★

Iris
Ben
Fox
Tabitha
Sophie
Lottie



ISA Swimming Finals
A massive congratulations to Eris who is through to the ISA National Finals in London on Friday 28th November. She will be racing for the South West in the Freestyle relay! We are all so proud of you.



**House Point
Winners...
Ugbrooke!**

