

THE PREP WEEKLY

27th September 2024



The Week Ahead

Monday 30th September

No Events

Tuesday 1st October

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Wednesday 2nd October

U11 Rugby v Mount Kelly (A)

Thursday 3rd October

U9 Tag Rugby Festival @ Stover
U11 Football v Bradley Barton (A)

Friday 4th October

Harvest Festival

Message from Mr Lovett

The week started with our Prep assembly talking about what makes us all unique. The children were able to explain that we all look different, have a range of interests and even our own unique finger-prints and DNA. This led to a discussion regarding what our strengths are and that many of us have areas we excel in and areas that we need to improve in. We identified that we could be 'Smart' in many different ways including Number smart, people smart, nature smart, word smart, body smart, picture smart, music smart & myself smart. I then asked the school to nominate members of our school community who fitted into each one of these categories and why (see picture above). It was lovely to see the pupils recognise others talents and also reflect on which category they would fit in to - what a well rounded group of children we have!



Work of the Week

Friday 27th September

Lily Robins

Sophie Stenner-Evans

Tabitha Jeffery

Ollie Leveridge

Willow Allen

Mali Eykyn

Ben Partridge

Ralph Rule

Harley Maidens

George Valentine

Parents Evening

A reminder that Parent's Evening will take place on Monday 14th October between 16:00 – 19:00. The sign up forms can be found in the main corridor next to the Work of the Week book, alternatively liaise with your class teacher to arrange a suitable time. This is an opportunity for you to catch up with your child's form Tutor and discuss their start to this new academic year and how they have settled into their new class.

Class Teachers will be located in the following rooms from 4pm;

Mrs Ganner - Reception Classroom

Mrs May - Prep One classroom

Mrs Miller & Mrs Broom - Prep Two Classroom

Mrs Young - Prep Three Classroom

Mrs Hughes - Prep Four Classroom

Mrs Sutton - Prep Five Classroom

Mr Partridge – Prep Six Classroom

P3&4 Trip to Go Ape



On Tuesday morning Prep 3 & 4 visited Go Ape at Haldon Forest. The first part of the day was spent playing land games and working as a team to complete various challenges. They then got to move on to the high-ropes and manoeuvre themselves around the treetops before taking the plunge down the zipline! Both classes were absolutely fantastic and super adventurous. A great time had by all.



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Around the classes



The Lodge By Miss Jones

This week we have continued to look at construction and the different vehicles they use. We have continued to practise building with blocks and making structures. We have had coloured rice out with the diggers and practised emptying and filling as well as transporting. We have also read Dazzling Diggers at circle time to find out more about diggers and what they do.



The Stables By Mrs Wray-Chance

This week we have been continuing our 'All about me' topic. We have been sharing our 'Me bags' at circle time that are full of our favourite things, we have been using our senses to explore our senses tuff tray, using scissors safely to cut paper and talking about and drawing 'Who lives in my house?' to make a lovely wall display. Great work everyone!



Reception By Mrs Ganner

Reception have been enjoying all things dinosaurs this week! We made a Dino Alphabet, created Dinosaur Skeletons with pasta, told stories in our Small World 'Dinos and Diggers' tuff tray and made Dinosaur Fossils...but the favourite has definitely been our Role-Play Dinosaur Museum! The children have enjoyed mark making in a Dino Dig and creating scenarios to be Dinosaurs, Explorers, Dino Vets and Dinosaur Skeletons. I have really enjoyed observing the new vocabulary the children are using and listening to the stories they have created through using their imagination and collaborating beautifully with their peers.

Around the classes

Prep 1

By Mrs May

Prep 1 are working so hard on their handwriting and spellings. They are learning spelling pattern words at home for a weekly test and tricky word spellings in school. They are also making sure that all letters are increasingly formed correctly, to aid cursive, joined handwriting as soon as they are ready.



Prep 2

By Mrs Miller

Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers has provided us with so much inspiration for our learning over the last week. We have looked at nature videos, joined in with Storybots songs and had a lot of discussions and questions. They created a fantastic poster with lots of noun phrases to describe their wonder about Planet Earth.



Prep 3

By Mrs Young

This week in mathematics, as part of our place value topic Prep 3 have been counting in 50's. The children used tiddlywinks counters and score boards to make various totals. Fantastic counting skills Prep 3!



Around the classes



Prep 4 By Mrs Hughes

Prep 4 have been investigating the properties of a range of rocks including chalk, slate, sandstone, marble, granite and basalt. They worked in a rotation to describe the rocks using all their senses to create an excellent set of descriptions for each rock and ideas of how they are used in our local environment.



Prep 5 By Mrs Sutton

It's been a busy and exciting week in Prep 5 with two back to back trips! Having enjoyed a morning making pizzas in Pizza Express on Wednesday, Thursday's trip to Devon Activity Centre really tested everyone to their limits. The children braved the wet and windy conditions with smiles on their faces and really came together as a team. They took part in various activities culminating in a wild and muddy assault course. Great fun was had and courage and resilience were shown. Well done everyone!



Prep 6 By Mrs Young

This week in RS, Prep 6 have been learning about the Hindu creation story. The class did a superb job of sequencing the story and completed a class quiz. To finish off the lesson we went to the field and acted out religious symbols, including the Star of David, the Dharma Wheel and the Crescent Moon and Star. A fantastic effort Prep 6 well done!



P5&6 Trip to Escot

On a wet and cold Thursday, Prep 5 & 6 made the journey to Escot to take part in a variety of teambuilding challenges including a muddy assault course. The children had a great time and did themselves proud as the following quotes from the centre staff indicates *"The way in which your children are working together puts many of the adult teams[who come and do these same activities] to shame..."*

"Days like this make my job so enjoyable - it's exactly what you want when you have children who behave really well and who are just willing to give everything a go..."

P4&5 Trip to Pizza Express



On Wednesday morning Prep 4 & 5 were the envy of the Prep Department as they visited Pizza Express in Exeter. The children had the restaurant to themselves and had the opportunity to make their own pizzas and learn about the history of pizza. All of their hard work made them hungry and they enjoyed a few slices sat outside Exeter Cathedral!

Pupil Voice



This week our Prep classes have been voting for the classmates they would like to represent them at our School Council meetings. These pupils will need to gather suggestions from their class and put them across at meetings before feeding back. A very important job as the 'Pupil Voice'

KS1 - George Sheppard & Mena Rowlands

Prep 3 - Oliver Leveridge & Penny Firth

Prep 4 - James Shill & Lilia Broom

Prep 5 - Henry Whitlock & Amba Oswalsky

Prep 6 - Kellan Hersey & Eliza Morgan



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Prep Life Gallery

