

THE PREP WEEKLY

28th February 2025



Message from Mr Lovett

It has definitely felt like Spring has been in the air this week. You will see from the photos that we have made the most of the kind weather and taken our learning outside as much as possible – long may it continue! I started my week along with Mr Robinson by meeting our Parent Voice representatives. It was an extremely positive meeting where we chatted through any queries that had been raised but also reflected on the progress we have made since our last meeting. On Monday we will be welcoming Preacher the Storyteller into the Prep Department to kick off our World Book Week. He will be running storytelling workshops with all classes throughout the day and will certainly help inspire further activities over the week. For World Book Day on Thursday we ask that the children come to school with their favourite book to share, a teddy and come in cosy clothes. Next Monday could also be one of the most significant assemblies of the year – I will be launching this year's Lent Challenge where the children get to choose what I need to give up or stop doing. Get your thinking hats on over the weekend and please be kind!

The Week Ahead

Monday 3rd March

Story Teller Visit

Tuesday 4th March

Pancake Races

U11 Football v Kingsteignton (A)

Wednesday 5th March

U11 Netball @ Stover

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day

U9 Netball @ Exeter School

U9 Football Tournament (H)

Friday 7th March

U11 Football @ Exeter School



Work of the Week

Friday 28th February

Thomas Pring
Roman Foxworthy
Molly Arthur
Cosmo Bingham
Annabel Palmer
Rhianne Martin

Birthday's Coming Up!

Alice Colville



KS1 Observatory Trip



KS1 had the most fantastic trip to Sidmouth this week and enjoyed a fact packed and exploratory morning at the Norman Lockyer Observatory, a minibus picnic and a fun session on the beach in the afternoon. The children were fascinated by the presentation by three very knowledgeable space enthusiasts, were in awe in the planetarium and enjoyed moving the different sized telescopes. They asked such brilliant questions and listened perfectly to the answers. What a great way to start our new topic about space!



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Around the classes



The Lodge

By Mrs Bryant

This week, we had so much fun in our role-play area, "The Hairdressers!" We took turns pretending to cut and style each other's hair, and guess what? We even tried on a bright red wig that made us all laugh! We also got creative in the Play-Doh hair styling salon by giving Rapunzel a new hairstyle. We practised using scissors by cutting spaghetti and Play-Doh. Since it is St. David's Day on Saturday, we made some daffodils out of yellow cards and a cardboard tube. We had an incredibly busy and fantastic time together!



The Stables

By Mrs Wray-Chance

This week we have been learning about St David's day which will be celebrated on Saturday 1st March. We have looked at the Welsh Flag, talking about the colours and the picture and made our own by practising our scissor skills to cut around a picture of a dragon and painting the background of the flag green and white. We have talked about daffodils being the National Flower of Wales, making our own daffodil sun catchers which have made beautiful reflections on the walls and carpet and matched numeral to quantity to put the correct amount of petals on the daffodil. Happy St David's Day!



Reception

By Mrs Ganner

Reception have had an exciting week reading 'We all went on Safari', a counting journey through Tanzania! We wrote our own super sentences for the book using our phonics and simple punctuation, counted in Swahili, found Africa on the map and even attempted some Maasai tribal dancing! Another busy week, well done Reception 😊

Around the classes



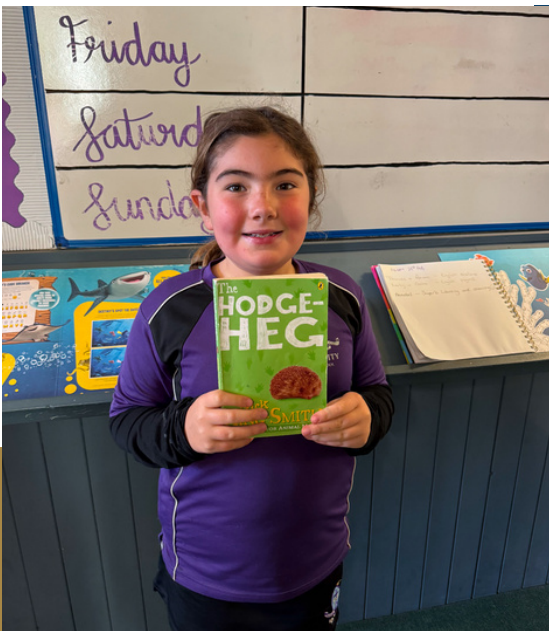
Prep 1 By Mrs May

So much reading is going on in Prep One at the moment. It is great when the children just pick up their books to read. This week the rocket reading tent provided a perfect spot. Next week, we shall be hearing some real astronauts reading stories from space!



Prep 2 By Mrs Broom

Prep 2 have started measurement in their maths this week. We started off measuring in cm and the children loved measuring each others height and Mrs Moffatt too! They then measured different objects around the classroom. They recorded the measurements and compared heights and lengths. Great work prep 2!



Prep 3 By Mrs Young

This week in Prep 3, the class have started our new class text 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith. The children have answered comprehension questions relating to the first two chapters of the story and have also written an account of Max the hedgehog's accident from the cyclist's perspective. Fantastic work Prep 3!

Around the classes



Prep 4 By Mrs Hughes

This week Prep 4 have started our new text 'The boy at the back of the class' and have fully embraced the new characters they have met so far. They have worked hard using inference to learn about the personalities of the characters and have shown maturity discussing the difference between inferring and making judgements. We've even enjoyed reading in the sunshine this week- long may that last!



Prep 5 By Mrs Sutton

In English this week, Prep 5 have been getting to grips with writing relative clauses. They had fun playing a game to come up with wild and wonderful examples. They also turned their hands to a spot of poetry writing, working together in house groups to create extra verses for the 'Sorting Hat Song' from Harry Potter. In Science, they have been learning about flowers and how some flowers are pollinated by wind while others are pollinated by insects.



Prep 6 By Mr Partridge

This week Prep 6 have begun a new unit on fiction writing and have been using the school grounds to practise their descriptions of setting. A beautiful spring morning outside the White House proved the perfect inspiration for some excellent writing!



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Prep Life Gallery

