



This week, we started the week by celebrating **World Earth Day**, reflecting on how we as a school community look after both our local environment and the wider world. We were very proud to realise how much we already do, while also recognising that there is more work to be done.



One way in which we have already improved how climate-conscious we are as a school is through the introduction of food waste bins at lunchtime; this was a suggestion raised by School Council to reduce our contribution to landfill and it has been very exciting to see this hope become a reality! We also celebrated the success of our recent **#BigBagChallenge** in which children from across the school helped to improve our local area by litter-picking over a two-week period. I have been very proud to see this being continued and often see Girton Glebe children doing their bit to **#KeepBritainTidy** around the village. Let's keep up the great work!

**Here's a round-up of this week's news...**

**Mr Chris Butler**  
Headteacher

## House Points

This week, our winning House of The Week is **Newnham**, who have finally knocked Robinson off the top spot! Well done to everybody in Blue House. Here is the breakdown if this week's points:



## Year 3&4 Reading Workshop

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, parents of Year 3 and 4 children are invited into school for a Reading Workshop, run by **Miss Roddy and Miss Childs**. The purpose of this workshop is to share with parents how Guided Reading is taught in school and how you can support with reading comprehension at home. The workshop will involve a short reading lesson, with children present, before an information session and a chance for any questions.

This will take place in the school hall from 9.00-9.45am; please sign in at the office on arrival at school. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!

## School Uniform – Order Online for Next Year

Please see the attached flyer with information on how to order school uniform for next academic year. Brigade are offering the following discount on orders placed on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April**.

**10%** discount on all orders - enter **SPRING23** at the checkout to activate the discount!



## Birch Class Science Fun!

Birch class kicked off their new science unit "Flower Head" with Mrs Fitch by dissecting plants this week. Year 2 identified the root, stem, leaf, flower, petal and pollen of lilies and the children particularly enjoyed using the magnifying glasses and tweezers to assist their dissection!



Our Science Lead is **Mr Jake Holt** (Maple Class Teacher). Please get in touch with Mr Holt if you have any Science questions.

## Free Courses for Parents

Please also see the attached flyers about fully-funded online courses for parents, delivered by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority.

**Family Budgeting** – This course looks at bills, savings and taxes, equipping participants with the skills and confidence to create a monthly budget. Every participant will also receive a £25 shopping voucher on completion of the 3-hour course.

**Supporting Children with Homework** – This course will develop parents' understanding of how children are taught Maths at primary school and how best to support with this at home.

The providers are an Ofsted rated 'Good' provider with the intention of supporting as many local residents as possible. For any enquiries, please contact [abbybrend@runwaytraining.co.uk](mailto:abbybrend@runwaytraining.co.uk)

## Our Jigsaw Learning

Our PSHE learning this half-term focuses on Relationships. This was kick-started with a whole school assembly in which we considered how to be your own best friend, reflecting on how to show kindness and compassion towards not only those around us, but ourselves too.

Across the school, we are enjoying exploring themes such as friendships, families, relationships with animals, grief and loss, and communicating online in our weekly lessons.

Jigsaw PSHE lessons are a favourite part of the week amongst both adults and children; ask your child about their class' Jigsaw character and Jigsaw Jerrie Cat to find out more about what they have been learning in this important subject.



Our PSHE Lead is **Miss Rorie Jolly** (Oak Class Teacher). Please get in touch with Miss Jolly if you have any PSHE questions.

## Arch-cherry Fun!

Last Friday morning, Year 4 put their archery skills to the test with Mr Smart as part of their morning of learning outside of the classroom. This tied in with their History topic on 1066 and the Battle of Hastings. Mr Smart said: "It was lovely to watch the children help and support each other in different ways, such as holding the bow while another child loaded the arrow or giving tips on how to hit the target. I was very impressed with the level of skill and teamwork shown across Cherry Class." Great work Year 4!



## Celebration Assembly

This week's assembly celebrated our core value of **Perseverance**. Well done to all of the children who have been displaying this value around school this week. Here are this week's certificate winners:

Ash  
**Ilyas & Mia**

Maple  
**Ashley & Freddie**

Birch  
**Adeline & Zahra**

Lime  
**Whole Class**

Cherry  
**Scarlett & Gael**

Willow  
**Francis & Mark**

Oak  
**Hagen & Mia**

## Upcoming dates

1st May  
**School Closed (Bank Holiday)**

2nd and 4th May  
**Lime Class Parents' Evening**

5th May  
**School Street Party for King Charles' Coronation**

8th May  
**School Closed (Bank Holiday)**

9th - 12th May  
**Year 6 SATs Tests**

12th May  
**Willow Class Church Visit**

12th May  
**Oak Class Party In The Park**

15th - 26th May  
**Year 2 SATs Period**

18th May  
**Oak Class Assembly**

19th May  
**Cherry Class Cake Sale**

19th May  
**FOGG Live Music Evening**

22nd - 25th May  
**Parent Reading Workshops**

23rd May  
**Class Photos**

25th May  
**Year 3&4 Reading Workshop**

25th May  
**FOGG School Disco**

26th May  
**Last Day of Half-Term**



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## Supporting Children with Homework (Primary)

Are you confident in supporting your children with maths?

Would you like to understand how maths is taught in primary schools?

Are you familiar with different learning strategies including use of concrete resources to aid a child's development?



As parents and carers it's important to play an active role in supporting your child's numeracy development. As part of the Multiply initiative, Runway Training are offering a chance to develop your understanding of how children are taught maths at primary school. This short, interactive course features practical examples and will improve your own confidence and ability in an area that many find a challenge.

Places are filling up fast, so we recommend booking as soon as you can so you don't miss this fantastic opportunity.

### Eligability Requirements

Must not have a GCSE Grade 4/C or above in Maths

### Location

Courses running in locations across Peterborough and Cambridgeshire. Please visit our website for upcoming course dates

### For more information

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This free online course will help you work out a monthly budget and improve your ability to plan ahead. If you sometimes lose track of where you're spending your money or want to ensure you're making informed choices, then this is the course for you.

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# Coronation Street Party

Friday 5th May

- 🌸 Dress in **red, white** and **blue!**
- 👑 British-themed **picnic lunch!**
- ✳️ Baking **competition!**
- 🌸 Performance from our **whole-school choir!**



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