

Northam St George's Weekly News

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Headteacher's message

Growing, achieving and flourishing together in mind, body and spirit.

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy week at St George's as the different year groups have been preparing for Sports Day next week. Just as a reminder, the format for Sports Day will be slightly different this year. Reception and Year 1 children will take part in a carousel of activities followed by individual races in the morning 9.15am start. Year 2 will do the same in the afternoon 1.00pm start. We hope that you will be able to join us next Thursday to cheer on your child's team.

Thank you to all those who have donated clothes to the Bag2School fund raiser organised by FONs. The bags are going to be collected next Wednesday so this is your last opportunity to sort through those unwanted clothes. Remember the more clothes we collect, the more money we will raise for the school.

Finally, our worship theme this week has been love. I have challenged the children to find different ways to show that they love someone. If you notice the children performing kind gestures over the weekend, ask them if they are showing love.

Have a restful weekend,

Phil Lewis (Headteacher)



School Diary Dates

Tuesday 21st May	12:30 Year 1 Beach School
Wednesday 22nd May	Bag2School Collection Sycamore Swimming
Thursday 23rd May	St George's Sports Day
Mon 27th—Fri 31st May	Half Term
Tuesday 4th June	12:30 Year 1 Beach School
Wednesday 5th June	Juniper Swimming
Friday 28th June	Summer Fayre
Friday 5th July	St George's Disco

Autumn Term	6th Sept —15th Dec 2023
Non Pupil Day	20th Oct 2023
October Half Term	23rd —27th Oct 2023
Spring Term	2nd Jan—28th Mar 2024
February Half Term	12th—16th Feb 2024
Non Pupil Day	19th Feb 2024
Summer Term	15th Apr—23rd Jul 2024
May Half Term	27th —31st May 2024

Around The Classes



The Woodlands

This week in the Woodlands we have still been planting. We are really excited to see all our plants growing, especially the broad beans. If you fancy helping to make a bed for sunflowers please come and talk to the Woodlands staff! We have been reading the traditional tale of the Tortoise and the Hare. The children have made lots of tortoises using different media. We have also looked at reptiles and what makes them different to mammals. Miss Seville has brought in a snake skin for us to look at. In maths we are looking at shapes and we are experimenting with rotating them to make a picture.



Apple Class

In Apple class this week we have continued to learn about Florence Nightingale and why she was known as “the lady with the lamp”. I wonder if your child can tell you why? The children have invented their own story of the Tiger Who Came to Tea and had a great time making puppets to use to tell their story. In maths we have been comparing numbers to see which were greater or less than and using the symbols $>$ or $<$ to show this. Maybe you could practise some of these at home. Beach school was a great hit as always and we have continued to practise for sports day during PE. Have a lovely weekend everyone.



Cherry Class

We have had another fantastic week in Cherry class. The children have all been working hard planning and rehearsing their own stories based upon ‘The Tiger Who Came to Tea.’ See if they can remember their story to tell you. It was another fun packed week at Beach school, each week we share photos on the classroom door so please take a look, I’m sure your child will enjoy telling you all about it. Thank you so much for parents communicating and ensuring we have enough adult support each week to make Beach school possible. We are very grateful to you all. Have a brilliant weekend. Let’s hope the sunshine returns!



Sycamore Class

Sycamore class have worked so hard this week and we have been so proud of their concentration and resilience when things were tricky. In our English lessons the children were writing up their final stories based on the text The Disgusting Sandwich – this was the final challenge from Badger. All of the children worked so hard on this and we were so impressed with how well they were applying what we had learnt over the term. In computing we have been learning about data and information and the different ways that data is presented. This week we were learning about pictograms and the children were keen to create their own using a web program.

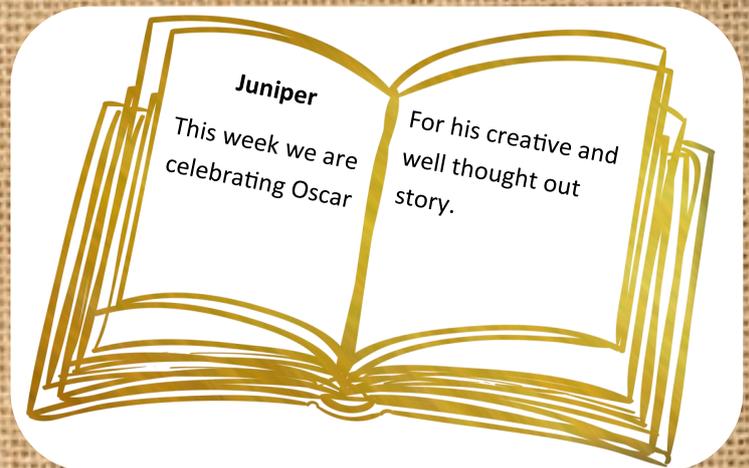
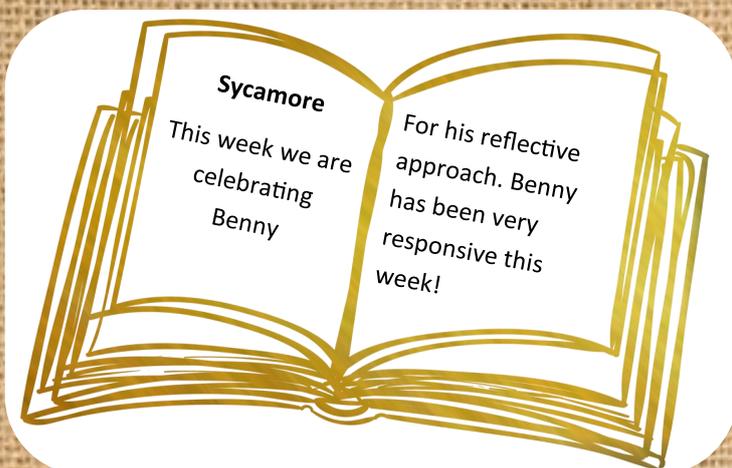
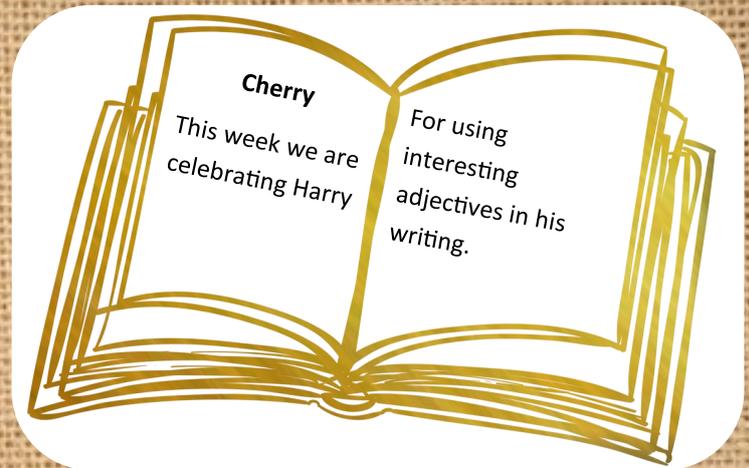
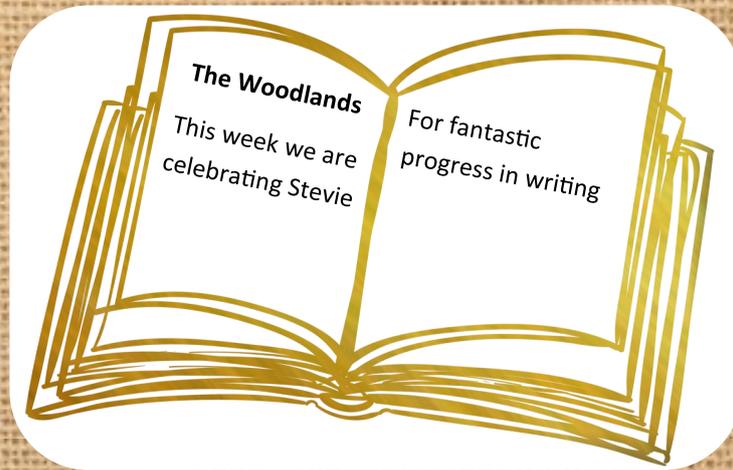


Juniper Class

This week in Juniper class we began and finished our final write up of our own English stories, based on the Disgusting Sandwich and it was fantastic to read such creative ideas and originality! After that, in computing we looked at pictograms and, using a computing program, we changed a tally that we created last week into a pictogram. Finally, this week the children have been getting on with their SATs and have shown how respectful and hard working they all are! So super job this week Juniper class, have a lovely weekend and see you all next week!



Golden Book



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Weekly Attendance



Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

That's why school attendance is so important and why the Government is committed to tackling the issues that might cause some children to miss school unnecessarily. *The Education Hub Blog 2023*

Our weekly class attendance below.

Beech - 90.85%

Apple - 96.83%

Cherry - 97.44%

Sycamore - 94.44%

Juniper - 94.44%

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned



Year 1 Beach School



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Dear Parent / Guardian,

We are pleased to announce that FONS has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for FONS

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 1999 it has now paid out over £48 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for FONS, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. (please refer to <https://bag2school.com> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you still have more room in your bag then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

BAGS TO BE DROPPED AT ST GEORGES FRIDAYS ONLY AND NO CHRISTMAS JUMPERS PLEASE.

Bag2School will be collecting from St Georges School on **22nd May 2024**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to St Georges and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Yours faithfully

FONS



Bideford Family Hub

Torrige & Northern Family Hubs



Press pause

Parent / Carer Drop-in

Is something on your mind about family life? Come and chat things through, without judgement. We'll support you to find your own solutions that suit your family.

From coping with your baby crying & feeling worried about your toddler's tantrums, to helping your child be ready for whatever life brings & everything in between.

Mondays in term time, 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Fridays in term time, 9.30am - 11.30am
At Bideford Family Hub, on Victoria Park, Bideford.

Need more info or can't come at the times above?

Call us on 0330 041 5494 or just pop in.

BIDEFORD HOLIDAY CLUBS

MULTI-ACTIVITY HOLIDAY CLUBS

5 - 12 YEAR OLDS
7:30AM - 5:30PM*

28TH - 31ST

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**NORTHAM SCHOOLS'S
SUMMER FAYRE**
@ST MARGARET'S LOWER PLAYGROUND

- >BOUNCY CASTLE
- >FACE PAINTING
- >PENALTY KNOCKOUT
- >FOOD & DRINK
- *LOADS MORE!!

**FRIDAY
JUNE 28
FROM 3.15PM**

PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT OUR FANTASTIC SCHOOLS

Stalls Available
£5 per table

**NORTHAM SCHOOL'S
SUMMER FAYRE 2024**

28th June
Starts 3.15pm (SET
UP 2.30PM)
PLEASE MESSAGE
07976031522 IF YOU
WOULD LIKE A STALL

LOCATION
ST MARGARET'S
SCHOOL, NORTHAM

Bideford RFC

KIDS RUGBY

Is your child starting Year 2 in September 2024?

Would your child be interested
in playing tag rugby?

WhatsApp Phill on
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