

# Cleobury Mortimer Primary School

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Enjoying and Achieving Together

## Class News

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### Ducklings

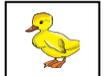
We have had a lovely time in Duckling class. The children have shown great interest in learning about animals and vets, so we have based many learning opportunities around this theme.

The children have really enjoyed listening to the stories about Mog and the V.E.T and loved the different adventures that occurred.

I have really enjoyed taking part in many games where I have had to treat many poorly animals. The children have been very imaginative in the different treatments that are available and have included bandaging, making ointments and performing operations. The language that the children have used has been fantastic and it is wonderful to listen to their learning conversations.

We were lucky as our first "Mystery Reader" came to visit us. Mrs Detheridge visited us and read the children a "Ben and Holly" fairy tale. The children were engrossed and loved listening to the "Mystery Reader". Please contact a member of staff should you wish to become a "Mystery Reader" or share an activity or interest with the children.

We had an enjoyable time at "Gym Tots" and the children were fantastic at listening and followed instructions. Thank you so much for your continued support.



### Fox

In Fox class we have been learning lots of new sounds and tricky words in phonics with Geraldine giraffe. In the outdoor classroom we enjoyed having some fun exploring time and going on the rope assault course. In Literacy we have been continuing our work on Goldilocks and the Three Bears and learning the word 'the' and 'no'. In Maths we have been learning to write our numerals correctly and understanding the value of 1 to 10.



### Badger

Firstly, it was great to meet and catch up with so many parents last week at parents evening. It has been a pleasure to share and celebrate all of the children's progress with you. This week has been a busy week with story writing. The children are writing the story of 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' and are using all of the spelling and grammar skills that we have been looking at over this last half term.

The children are making great progress with their writing and next week we will be adjusting the story to make it our own, before writing a final version. In maths, we have been focusing on adding and subtracting within 20 and working on solving word problems, which the children have enjoyed but also found a challenge.

It is now full steam ahead with Christmas performance rehearsals!



### Hedgehog

Hedgehog's have had another busy fortnight with their learning. In maths, the children have completed their unit on addition and subtraction and have moved forwards into money. Over this fortnight, the children have been learning to count in pounds and pence and have been investigating how to make up a certain amount in different ways. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be looking comparing money and how to find change. In English, the children have finished their own stories based on our text, 'The Hedgehog' by Dick King Smith. Hedgehogs have used some wonderful vocabulary that they have learnt and have really impressed me with their descriptions and interesting verbs. In Topic, we have began learning about Mary Seacole and over the course of the next few weeks, will begin to compare her life to that of Florence Nightingale.



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## Rabbit

Rabbits class have been busy learning their songs for the Christmas performance and have shown what lovely singers they are. I have sent home the words for you to help your child learn them ready for the performance in church on 19th December. We will be making bread this week as part of our bread topic. Please make sure you have sent in an apron or clean large T-shirt by Thursday at the latest. Next week, we will be making a different sort of bread, which the children will design themselves. They will need to bring in one extra ingredient to add to the dough mix. We will send home a note of their chosen item nearer the time. I am sure the children will enjoy the rest of term - I know they are already very excited to join in all the activities that we have planned.



## Hare

We have had an exciting fortnight in Hare Class. We have been learning about equal groups in Maths and have really started to get stuck into some multiplication and subtraction. In English we have been continuing with our nonsense poetry, everyone is really enjoying making up some nonsense words and rhymes. In Topic we have been comparing the UK to other place in the world and this has interesting for all of us. Practice for our Christmas performance is well under way and lyrics have been sent home to learn. As usual, homework pages are in the SPaG books and should be done every week, spellings are in spelling books and maths homework is also sent home tucked inside the SPaG book. Please be advised that although it is very beneficial for children to have help with their homework, we expect the children to do their own homework. We have also made some brilliant stencil paintings in art and will be doing this again very soon.



## Kestrel

Another busy week for Kestrel Class. We have been practising the songs we are going to perform at the Christmas concert. We all have a copy of the words to take home and learn. We visited Lacon on Tuesday to take part in another volleyball lesson. We are gradually working towards being able to volley the ball over the net to a partner. We completed our literacy topic on instruction writing by writing a set of instructions on how to look after a dragon. We investigated the features of Anglo-Saxon art before having a go at creating our very own brooches out of clay. We held a competition to design a pizza. The winning pizzas will be served in our Italian restaurant, which parents and family members are invited to come and visit on Thursday 12th December.



## Mole

This week Mole Class were lucky enough to eat cake all in the name of science. Why? They had a fantastic visit to Kudos Blends in Cleobury Mortimer where they were able to see science being applied in industry. The team at Kudos did various scientific experiments to test how different baking powders react. Some children were chosen to assist and dressed like a scientist with their lab coats and goggles. We also had a tour of the lab and warehouse before sampling cakes to see how they taste when using different baking powders. We would like to say a big thank you to the team at Kudos for giving us this great opportunity.



## Deer

These past two weeks the children have been learning about dividing fractions and finding fractions of amounts in Maths and in English writing their own short story based on The Old Mill. The Science topic this term is 'Evolution' and we have just started by finding out what the children already know and what they would like to know. In Topic the class are continuing to learn about World War II and have examined the experiences of Jewish children and looked at the plans of attack the Luftwaffe followed in the Battle of Britain.



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# Stars of the week!

This week's 'Stars of the Week' are:

Deer

Mole

Kestrel

Hare

Rabbit

Hedgehog

Badger

Fox

Duckling

Thomas

Betty

Jude

Lea

William

Tyla

Nanci

Kobi

Cherry

Vinnie

Elsie

Quinn

Darcie

Tony

James

Laila

**Attendance**  
**WELL DONE**  
**Hedgehog Class 99.64%**

**Congratulations to you all!**

**House points:**

House	Week's Total	Overall Total
Housman	701	3573
Jebb	657	3057
Owen	553	2815
Webb	512	2734

**Congratulations to all of the members of Housman.**

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