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# Newsletter



## MESSAGE FROM MRS MILES

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. I hope that you all had a happy Christmas and are full of good intentions for 2025! The children have all settled back into the school routines after the holiday.

I would like to say thank you for all of the gifts, cards and kind words you have generously given to all the staff at our school at the end of term; they are very much appreciated.

Although we have a short term, there are many events planned and lots of hard work. We look forward to continuing to work together throughout the coming term.

Also, as the weather is still very cold we expect all children to come to school with a coat.

This term as part of our celebration assemblies we are going to introduce the opportunity for children to share 'Outside Achievements,' that they may have gained through sport, music and other activities. We will be posting more information about what children can bring and prepare for this, next week on Class Dojo.

Thank you for all of your feedback and comments last term that contributed towards putting together our Cirencester Code. We will be canvassing views on other aspects of school life later this term.

Have a lovely weekend.


Best wishes,

Mrs Miles

Class Dojo Champions

10th January 2025

Class	Class Dojo Champion 10.1.25
Nursery	Lawson Dhaivee
RA	Sofia Elsie
RB	Alisha Lilly
1/2A	Alice Alex A
1/2B	Natalia Kyla
1/2C	Skyler Eduard
3/4A	Hayley Thiago Ed
3/4B	Teddy Macey
3/4C	Tilan Indi
5A	Percy Harriett
5B	Tyler N Sienna
6A	Dolly Finley
6B	Charlotte Jayden

		W/E 17.01.25				
		Biggest improvement in accuracy over the past 2 weeks				
Years 1 & 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
1. Kate 2. Jessica 3. Olivia	1. Jasmine 2. Casey 3. Hayley	1. Leen 2. Lucas 3. Holly	1. Mya 2. Talia 3. Destiny	1. Theo 2. Jack 3. Kelvin		
<b>Whole school top 3:</b> 1. Kate 2. Jessica 3. Olivia						

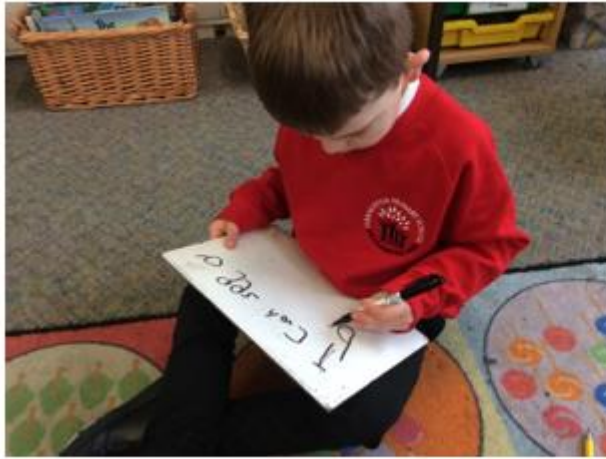
## SPOTLIGHT ON RB

**Reception B have had a wonderful start to the term discovering and learning.**



**We are sharing and learning about a variety of new stories whilst answering our big question, 'What animal would you be?'**





**In our science lessons we are looking at healthy foods and where our food comes from.**



**We are busy in our maths lessons too. We have made patterns using different resources, practiced our number formation and introduced composition of amounts.**





**We are really enjoying our music lessons. Using our bodies to experience the music.**



**We have also been enjoying our wonderful outdoor area to share, play and have lots of fun!**





**We had fun designing our own crazy creatures and thought about the different habitats that they might live in.**



We look forward to lots more learning and fun throughout the coming terms.

## SPOTLIGHT ON 6A

6A has had a busy start to the new school term. Our enquiry question is 'Does the punishment always fit the crime?' We are learning about how crime and punishment have changed throughout the ages. Here are just some of the things we have been up to so far...

### English

At the end of last term, the children watched 'Twelfth Night' performed by the amazing Young Shakespeare Company. This has inspired us to write a critical essay entitled, 'Does Malvolio deserve his punishment?'. The children have been writing short tower poems to recap the events of the play and acrostic poems based on the character of Malvolio.

We are also enjoying reading *The Executioner's Daughter* by Jane Hardstaff. This book will be used to inspire diary writing, suspense story writing and lots more over the coming term.



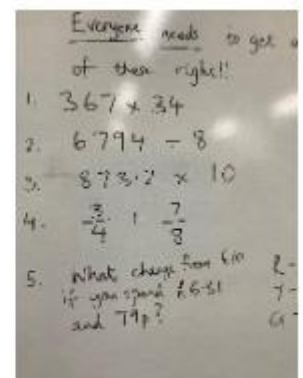
### Work based on 'Twelfth Night' by William Shakespeare



### Maths

This term, we are developing our knowledge of adding, subtracting, dividing and multiplying fractions. Every morning, we practice arithmetic skills through our Fluent in Five tasks.

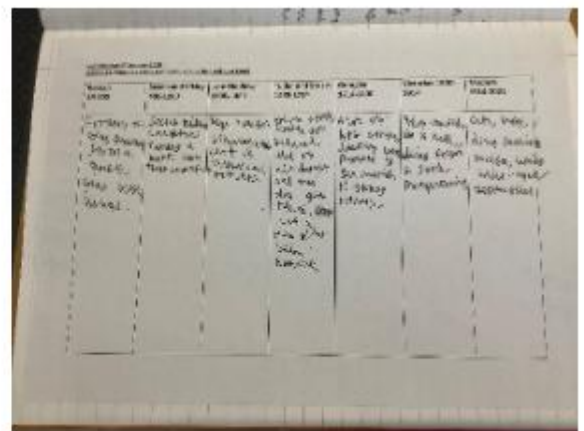
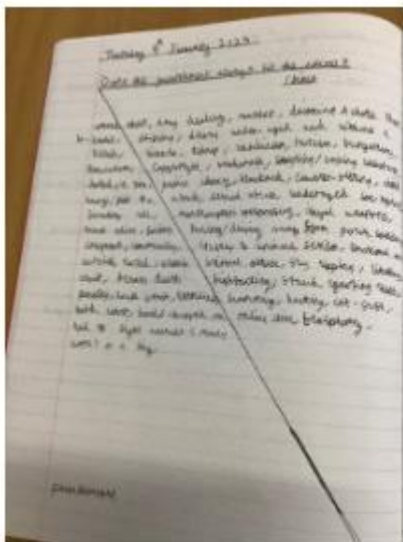
We are continuing to consolidate our times tables knowledge through regular use of Times Table Rock Stars. Below is an example of worksheets from this week and an example of style of our arithmetic 'Fluent in Five' morning questions.



## History

The children have started the unit by looking at different crimes and associated punishments since the Roman period. We will be considering how attitudes to crimes have changed and how new laws are made.

Alongside this, local magistrates will be visiting the children to talk about their role, and some pupils will take part in the annual mock trial competition later this term.



## PE

This term the children have been practising their QuikStick skills. They have been dribbling and working on controlling the ball.



## Dates for 2024-25

### January

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>		Wonderdome visit Y1/2 am
Week beginning 20 <sup>th</sup>		After school clubs start
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	FOTS meeting – Staff Room
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	Churn coffee morning – Library

### February

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>		Churn coffee morning
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>		Number Day
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>		Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>		Y4 In the Net performance at Powells 10am
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>		Last day of term
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>		Return to school
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Churn coffee morning – Library

### March

Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>		World Book Day and Discos
Week beginning 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		No clubs due to discos
Week beginning 10 <sup>th</sup>		Science week
Wednesday 12 <sup>t</sup>	9am	Churn coffee morning – Library
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>		Comic relief
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Churn coffee morning – Library
Week beginning 31 <sup>st</sup>		Test week
Week beginning 31 <sup>st</sup>		Last week of after school clubs

### April

Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Churn coffee morning – Library
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Last day of term – finish 1.15pm</b>
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>		<b>INSET DAY</b>

## **Parking**

We have received complaints from the school's neighbours regarding inconsiderate and often illegal parking by parents accessing the school in the mornings and the afternoons, including parking on the zig-zag lines outside school. Please walk to school wherever possible as not only is this a healthy way to get some exercise, but it supports the local community with congestion. In addition, it is better for the environment.

Thank you in advance.

## **General Information and Updates**

**Bikes and Scooters** – Please can you remind your child these should not be ridden on the school site.

**Naming school uniform** - We have lots of uniform without names on, we cannot return items if we do not know whose it is. Please can you name (even if it is with a biro), your child's name or initials.

**Sickness** – Please can we remind parents that a child that has had sickness or diarrhoea should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after the last incident.

**Headlice** – Please check your child/ren's hair regularly for headlice and treat immediately if necessary. Supermarket own brand conditioner and a headlice comb should remove the lice.

**Parent Pay** - A kind reminder to all families that we are a zero-debt policy school, please ensure that your school dinner balances are topped up.

**Looking for a recipe that can get your children to eat more vegetables?**

At Beezee Families, we work with hundreds of families who want to eat healthier, but struggle to find dishes with vegetables their children will eat. Sounds familiar?

Check out our Mexican traybake below for a taste of our recipe selection!



**Ingredients:**

- 1 large red onion
- 3 cloves of garlic (2 tsp pre-minced)
- 1 can sweetcorn
- 1 can black beans (drained and rinsed)
- 1 can chopped tomatoes
- 320g frozen spinach
- 100g uncooked red lentils
- 230g brown rice
- 600ml veggie stock
- 120g low-fat cheddar/mozzarella

**Spices:** 2 tsp paprika, 1.5 tsp cumin, 1.5 tsp coriander, 1 tsp oregano, ½ tsp chilli powder (or none if you don't like spice).

**Method:**

1. Pre-heat your oven to 200 degrees/gas mark 6.
2. Dice the onions and garlic (if using fresh) and add them to a large baking tray or dish.
3. Add your brown rice and lentils, along with the spinach, corn and chopped tomatoes.
4. Add all your spices to the tray. Make the stock, then pour slowly into the tray and mix everything together.
5. Pop into the oven for 45 minutes. Take the tray out, add beans and mix well, then top with grated cheese. Return to oven for 10 minutes.
6. Leave to cool for 5 minutes and then enjoy!

**Want more help with recipes?**  
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### NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

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for ages 7 to 10

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Email us for details about a free taster session



Girlguiding

