

Spring Term Newsletter No.10 (22.3.19)

This week we've been looking at our *Aspiration* value. In Monday's assembly we shared stories of inspirational people who have shown high aspirations to make changes in their lives and positive changes to society and the world at large. Lee Spencer has been in the news recently for smashing the world record for rowing single-handed across the Atlantic in the fastest time - and he only has one leg. Malala Yousafzai was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize at just 16 for championing girls' rights to education. Mahatma Gandhi championed social causes and an end to discrimination by peaceful means. Samantha Smith helped stop the Cold War turning hot in 1983, aged just 12. Richard Branson overcame his dyslexic learning difficulties.

We also shared stories about people closer to home. Cristina Cooper is an inspiration to others at Breakfast Club when she always has the aspiration to help others. Mr Tullier ran 2222 km last year and this year aspires to run 100km in just 18 hours! Mrs Pike studies at weekends for a professional qualification in Play Therapy because she aspires to find solutions to help children overcome obstacles. Miss Pritchard inspires others with her dedication and skills as a successful artist. Mrs Sosnowski set herself the challenge to learn crochet until she was able to produce a beautiful crocheted scarf. Archie Bean inspired the school with his quick thinking to dial 999 when his grandparents had an accident. The adults who work at St Margaret's show determination and aspiration to make a difference to children's lives.

As we look further into the *aspiration* value I'm sure we will continue to discover more personal stories of individuals all around us. Next week we are choosing a forth school value; one that we describe as being a little softer, more gentle like *kindness*. If you have any ideas please do get in touch.

I've been exploring how the school can best communicate with you and celebrate our work and the children's achievements. So, this newsletter is a little shorter from now on with more detail about what we're up to on the website. Twitter is back up and running (click on the link at the top) to help you follow what's been going on and there's a new tab on the website titled, '[Curriculum in Action](#)' where you can keep up to date with all the recent happenings. You can also go straight from here to recent website updates by clicking on the below links or you can go direct to the website. The blogs are a work in progress but they are growing so keep checking.

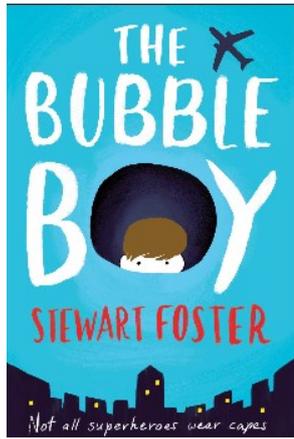
[KS1 British Science Week](#)

[Computing in Year 5 this week](#)

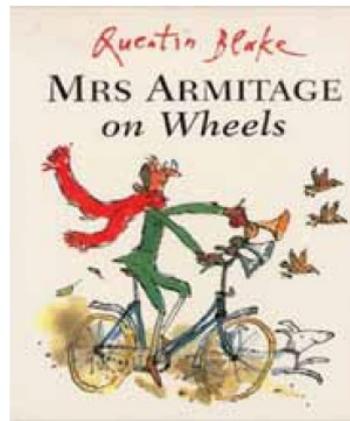
Enjoy your weekend.

Diary Dates

Week beg 25.3.19	CAP UK team will be in school delivering workshops to all the children.
Tuesday 26.3.19	PTA Film Night for Reception and KS1 3.10pm
Friday 29.3.19	Closing date for the PTA Easter Egg competition
Monday 1.4.19	PTA Lost Property Sale 3.05pm
Tuesday 2.4.19	PTA Film Night for KS2 3.10pm
Friday 5.4.19	Deadline for returning the 1 litre, 333g plastic bottles filled with clean plastic. These will be used for home insulation in Africa and to create local benches in Torbay. See Mrs Turner.
Friday 5.4.19	Last day of the spring term
Tuesday 23.4.19	First day of the summer term



Miss Palfrey
and the
Reading
Ambassadors
Book Picks
of the Week



Weekly Attendance Award

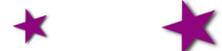
Congratulations to
Willow Class
for winning the School
Attendance Award with
100% attendance.
School target: 96%
The whole school achieved
94.8% this week



This Week's Star Pupils!



- Ash — Willow - is a very creative member of our class and demonstrated excellent painting skills this week. We loved her detailed painting of a cheetah and she was a super 'thinkodocus' when adding some writing to her painting. What a star!
Ava - for always showing kindness and respect to others. She is always so thoughtful and puts a smile on everyone's face. She is a little ray of sunshine in Ash class!
- Elm — Elyce - For listening brilliantly to class discussions this week and being confident to share her super thoughts and ideas with us all.
Dylan - For the amazing enthusiasm and confidence he shows in using and applying his number knowledge - a Numberblock Hero!
- Beech — Alice - has shown so much Aspiration in her learning this week. She has been putting her hand up to answer questions and shown a new found confidence in all aspects of her learning. Super star!
- Pine — James- for working so hard to improve his handwriting and for always being aspirational!
- Oak — Linus- for always trying his best and doing the right thing. Well done Linus!
Seren- for excellent concentration in handwriting. Super effort Seren!
- Apple— Ruby T- for amazing effort and for being aspirational in all of her work. Well done Ruby!
- Birch — Vaughn - For demonstrating respectful behaviour and being extremely aspirational in your learning. You always go above and beyond with your work to show a greater level of understanding. Fantastic!
- Rowan — Maddison - for being so aspirational in all you do, usually with a huge smile on your face too!
- Cherry — Ethan - for showing real aspiration in his maths learning. Ethan has been an amazing Maths Mentor to some of the children in Maple class and is showing great skill as a TT Rock Star!
- Maple — Amelia always demonstrates buckets of aspiration in her learning. She is a role model in our classroom and is also willing to help others with their learning.
- Holly — Nathan - For always modelling our school values. He is aspirational in his learning, respectful towards his peers and shows great responsibility at all times. Well done.
- Willow — Ema Kestell - Ema has made good progress in her Maths this term and has also shown herself to be an incredibly kind and thoughtful member of the class this week.
- Hazel— Aiden - for vastly improved concentration and work rate and an aspirational attitude. Keep up the excellent effort Aiden!
- Hawthorn— George- for his aspirational attitude and excellent contributions in our lessons



Staying Safe

CASE Consultants who occupy the premises at Moose Hall in Barewell Road are concerned that a number of school children (& their siblings) have been using their car park as a play ground while their parents have been dropping them off at the school. This has become extremely dangerous their members of staff and the children. They report that a number of staff members have almost collided with children who are running around the car park. **Please ensure your children don't enter their car park.** Thank you for your understanding and support.

Please also remind your children about the importance of staying with an adult while walking home. If you have an older child please remind them to walk home with a friend, to be vigilant for traffic and to make good decisions e.g. to not accept lifts from people they don't know.