

# Newsletter

July 2021



## Oak Class

Oak class have had a great Summer term. They really enjoyed developing their skills and making their own fruit salads – tasting them was great fun! They have also created some amazing music with everyone listening carefully and playing xylophones to accompany a song which was also signed – unfortunately we are still not able to sing indoors! Learning about how families enjoyed their holidays by the seaside over 100 years ago has been fascinating. Maths learning has included lots of learning about fractions and story writing has been based around 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. Have a great summer everyone!

## Ash Class

This half term Ash Class have enjoyed role play at the beach and in their café. They have worked with clay and grown different plants. They have finished learning all the sounds in Phase 2 & 3 of letters and sounds and have tried hard to leave spaces between their words when writing. They have worked hard to learn the number bonds to 5 and have started to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. We had a brilliant trip to the beach on Friday and we're so proud of the ones who were brave enough to stay for the sleepover! Mrs Fawkner

## Chestnut Class

We have been working really hard in Chestnut this term. In particular, we have written a variety of super texts - including brilliant poems (in the style of two different poets), fantastic explanation texts (about our Cracking Contraptions!) and persuasive letters inviting friends, family and famous people to visit our school. Normally, we would love to have you all in to see the work (our Poet Tree is looking very full!) but sadly we are unable to. Instead, we will make sure that we send home copies of all of this wonderful work for the children to share with you at home. Miss Cutts

## Dear Parents & Carers,

We did it! Another very different mixed up kind of year in school, with home school and remote learning going on as well! Once again, the children have done so well to keep adapting and accepting the new changes. As staff we have been fuelled by a LOT of snacks and tea!

We hope this summer break is a really wonderful time for you all to take stock of the last year, maybe escape if you can, even if its just a tent somewhere!

## Sports and Teams

What a fantastic term of sports and achievements!

We had a small group of girls head over to Portman Road for a training day run by local high school girls, focusing on building their confidence and what a brilliant day this was!

We've had virtual cricket and rounders days (results below!) as well as Will from Premier Sport coming in to do an orienteering session with each class too.

We've had several new achievements added to the wall in the hall as well, from swimming to quad biking, and performing arts to ballet!

We had our Sports Day on July 7<sup>th</sup>, with races within classes during the morning and activities in the afternoon done within house groups. Our Year 6's ran the events so well, with lots of enthusiasm, encouragement and professionalism. An excellent effort from everyone involved!

The Y5/6 rounders team lost 7.5 – 7 against Rattlesden, but played very well. The Y1/2 athletics team came 6<sup>th</sup> out of 14. The year  $\frac{3}{4}$  virtual cricket team came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. Well done everyone!

## The PSA:

The outdoor classroom will be being installed during the summer holidays now due to some delays, but we're excited to see it all ready to use from September!

The PSA have again worked so hard this year, and especially the last couple of terms in order to make a real impact in the lives of our pupils and give them some fun!

The Summer Fayre Fun day on July 5<sup>th</sup> was a success with all classes being able to enjoy some time playing games and eating some ice cream from the van. Thank you to everyone who helped and all those who donated sweet jars too!

Next up for the PSA is the Victorian Fayre on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, pop it in the diary!

Wednesday Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	PD Day
Thursday Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	PD Day
Friday Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Back to School
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 4 and 5 to Thorpe Woodlands, Thetford
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	End of Term
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Half term
Mon Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>	PD Day
Fri Dec 17 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Mon Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Bank Hol)	Christmas Holidays
Tues Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	PD Day
Mon Feb 21 <sup>st</sup> – Fri Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term
Mon Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
Fri Apr 8 <sup>th</sup>	PD Day
Mon Apr 11 <sup>th</sup> – Weds Apr 24 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Holidays
Thurs Apr 25 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half Term
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Back to school
Thurs July 21 <sup>st</sup>	END OF SCHOOL YEAR

### Wellbeing award

Thank you to all the parents who completed our survey regarding wellbeing within school. The results are being collated and will help us to work out how we can better improve the wellbeing of our pupils, staff and the wider community.

More details regarding the Wellbeing Award will be added to the website.

### Year 6 Leavers

I'm pretty sure we can all agree that we have had a fantastic time here at Creeting! Our most recent trip has been to Pipers Vale. We also had a picnic there in a local park nearby! I have got to say, Oakerwood was probably our favourite trip in Birch Class this year. These are some of the things we did! We climbed a 50ft tree, 100m zip wire, rafting and quick jump. In rafting everyone had fun especially when we got to jump off of the rafts!

On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> July we went to see out future high school...Debenham High School! We also did a small Science lesson called rainbow fizz! (it was a blast, literally). We had to mix a special green liquid into a test tube. We squeezed in 1cm of water into the test tube and mixed violently, turning it up and down. Then the teacher added a stronger acid this made the mixture red a shade of red then yellow then a soft pink colour. Some of the test tubes even went over the top of the tube. It smelt like vinegar!

We walked around the school it was a lot bigger than we expected. We met our Head Master and a group walked around the school with him while others went with a teaching assistant and the others the science teacher we worked with at the beginning of the afternoon!

Last week we did sports day Lily W, Jessica, Amelia and Lili C ran sports day they did a fantastic job. We did intervals, sprints, obstacles we also did a long distanced 2 laps of both fields.

We had a *whole* week of SATS (boring!). Most people did extremely well. And everyone tried their best. Along with that we have also learnt how to play the Clarinet with Miss Blaylock. She has been an amazing help and an excellent music teacher! We have learnt a wide range of songs including Dynamite, Surfin' USA, Mamma Mia, Fight Song and Jurassic Park. Birch is performing on the 15<sup>th</sup> for Cranes who are building an outdoor classroom for the whole school to enjoy. This will be something to remember! Thank you, Miss Blaylock, for being a major part of Birch Class.

Year 6 are soon leaving for High school. So, for a treat they are having an outdoor picnic on the fields. Everyone is having a move up day, Year 6 are being kicked out of the classroom for 2 days while everyone settles in to their classroom environment! Let's hope it doesn't rain!

A Leavers service is coming up and Year 6 have written some poetry about their time at Creeting St Mary Primary school. I'm sure everyone is looking forward for the Summer holidays. Year 6 have had an amazing time here at Creeting and in great thanks for their time here. Thank you Creeting! So very much !!! Made by Lili Cobley and Lily Wilden

### 150 Years of Creeting st Mary Primary

To tie in with our celebrations in the Autumn we would like to create some painted stones to place around the village, and the school grounds. We will be painting them in school, but will need some nice flat stones to paint on! Whilst you are out and about this Summer, maybe pick up a couple to bring in next term. Miss Ashcroft

### The Reading Challenge

Why not join the library reading challenge over the Summer Holidays? Reading just one book a week to complete the challenge, pop into your local library to get signed up!

### KS1 Beach trip

What a fab day at the beach with Ash and Oak Class! Check the website for some pictures of what we got up to.