

# Welcome to Week 10 of the Spring Term 2020 Weekly News

	Monday 16th March
Whole School	Drum lessons with Steve Thornley & Presentation on "Reading
	Expectations" to Parents @ 3.45pm
Years R & 1	
Year 2	
Years 3 & 4	
Year 6	RV Debating Competition
Other	Forest School – Group 4
FOSS	Mother's Day Sale for Pupils @ 2pm
	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Whole School	
Years R & 1	
Year 2	
Years 3	RV All Sing @ MRC
Years 4, 5 & 6	
Other	
	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March
Whole School	
Year R & 1	Rabbits Readers
Years R, 1 & 2	
Drama	KS2
Music	KS1 Music
	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March
Whole School	Aspire PE & Sport Relief Activities
Years R & 1	
Year 2	
Years 3 & 4	
Years 4, 5 & 6	
Music	Guitar Lessons with Jamie West
	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Whole School	
Years R & 1	
Year 2	
Years 3 & 4	
Years 4, 5 & 6	KS2 Swimming
Other	

	DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 All Sing at MRC 9.45am-12.00pm
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Owls Class Assembly 3.00pm
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Welcome Wednesday 8.45-9.15am
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Last Day of Term
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET Day
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Summer Term starts
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 6 SATS Meeting @ 3.45pm
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Badgers Assembly 3.00pm
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Welcome Wednesday 8.45-9.15am

#### **CLASS NEWS & UPDATES**

#### **Rabbits**

This week in Rabbits we have taken a deep breath and dived under the mysterious waters of Blue Reef Aquarium as part of our topic Under the Sea. We had a really successful trip and saw lots of beautiful fish; sharks; and rays on our adventure. We even got to touch some of these animals during our rock pool encounter, which was really fun and a little bit slimy! We hope this was really memorable day for the children.

In other news, we have been keeping our heartbeats up with some engaging actives every day as part of our Sports Relief activity week and are looking forward to see how far we have run over the week in our school marathon.

#### Owls

This week Owls were very lucky as they got to go to the Blue Reef Aquarium. They had a wonderful time meeting Spider Crabs and sharks. On Friday they have continued with their theme of looking at the oceans and have painted table top, cling film oceans showing a healthy ocean and a polluted ocean. They showed these in assembly to get across their message to protect and clean up our oceans. Another exciting learning week!

#### Badgers

Another very exciting week in Badgers this week, possibly mainly because most of the lessons have been taught by Mr Harms! We have each been writing our newspaper report based on the adventures of Shackleton and have worked really hard on getting the tone of our pieces right. In Science, we have look at rocks...when I say 'looked at rocks' I don't mean just stared at a rock for the entirety of the lesson but we have studied the different types of rocks; learnt how fossils are formed; and also looked at the different layers of rocks that make up the surface of the Earth. At the point of writing, we are also in the middle of our Sports Relief which has been a great opportunity for Mr Noble to inflict his interest in cricket on the ever-willing children in his class.

#### **Foxes**

During this week, Foxes have been working hard on completing their work on The Arrival...we still have a little way to go. We read a very interesting chapter in The Explorer – Tarantulas; it told us which ones were safe to eat and which ones were not!! We will be very well prepared if we are ever lost in the Amazon rainforest. The class have worked hard on completing our nine laps of the playground every day for Sport relief, everyone has participated with enthusiasm. We also invented Sport Relief games which the whole school took part in on Friday afternoon. A fantastic success and lots of money raised for a great cause.

TEACHER UPDATES	HEAD
	See attached sheet.

#### **NOTICES & REMINDERS**

- Please notify school office of any changes to your Emergency Contact Details.
- Uniform Please remember smart school uniform. Children need to wear a school jumper/cardigan and bring a coat.

## **PICTURES FROM BLUE REEF TRIP**







### **Headteacher's Updates**

It was lovely to see the excited faces of Rabbits and Owls as they left to enjoy their class trip at the Blue Reef Aquarium in Portsmouth. I am sure you will read much more about their day in this newsletter.

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, Rev Trish led an assembly for the KS2 children. She focused on the Easter story and seemed delighted with the knowledge, enthusiasm and participation of the children. It was lovely to have her visit our school and we look forward to having her back soon.

#### **Coronavirus**

We continue to watch the updates of the news and advice on the Coronavirus daily. We are doing everything we can at Stedham to ensure that our children and the entire school community remain safe.

The latest advice is that you should stay at home for 7 days if you have either:-

- A high temperature OR
- A new, continuous cough.

Please keep the school informed and do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions or concerns.

#### **School Council**

The School Council have made an immediate impact with one of their recent actions. In their last meeting, they discussed getting the outside climbing apparatus back in use. Since then, we have redesigned the duty timetable and now the children are enjoying using the climbing apparatus at morning and lunch breaks every day.