

Diary Dates

INSET Days 24.05.24 <mark>03.09.24</mark> 4.09.24 20.12.24 24.02.25 23.07.25

Holidays 2024 -2025 New/Changed

Open Close Summer 2024 Mon 03.06.24 Tue 23.07.24

Autumn 2024

Thu 05.09.24 Fri 25.10.24 Mon 04.11.24 Thu 19.12.24 **Spring 2025**

Mon 06.01.25 Fri 14.02.25 Tue 25.2.25 Fri 04.04.25

Summer 2025Tue 22.04.25 Fri 23.05.25
Mon 02.06.25 Tue 02.07.25

Diary Dates

Thu 23.05.24 Last day Mon 03.06.24 School opens Sat29.06.24 Class 4 Paintball

Tue 02.07.24 Transition day Fri 05.07.24 2pm – 3.15pm Sports Day

Fri 12.07.24 School Disco Mon 15.07.24 – Fri 19.07.24 Class 4 residential

Wed 17.07.24 Parent & Toddler Forest School Fri 19.07.24 Mufti Day

Mon 22.07.24 Summer Fun Day

Tue 23.7.24 12.45-1.30pm Leavers service at Cadmore church. School finishes at 1.30pm

Words from the Woods! Friday 28th June 2024

'From small beginnings come great things'
The parable of The Mustard Seed. Matthew 13: 31-32

Dear Parents,

It seems that summer has finally arrived! We were extremely fortunate that the weather was kind to us last week on our trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park. The children certainly enjoyed the trip!













Class 4 will be having their leavers event tomorrow at Splat Paintball in Lane End. I will look forward to sharing photos of the event.

Transition Morning

The children will be having their transition morning on Tuesday 2nd July. This is where the new reception children come and join us for the morning and each year group moves up with current reception, year 2 and year 4 moving to a new class and spending time with their new teacher. Please note, for those current year 6 who are not visiting their new school, activities have been planned.

Punctuality

Please ensure that all children are in school before the gate closes at 8.45am. We still have a large amount of families who turn up late. Being late can cause unnecessary distress on the child as they are joining their class after lessons have started. I know you can do it as no one was late on the Cotswold trip!

Sports Day

We have our annual sports day on Friday 5th July. It will take place on the cricket pitch (next to Cadmore church) and will start at 2pm. <u>Children will need to come dressed in their PE kits on that day.</u> If they want, they can wear a t-shirt that matches their house colour. <u>No football t-shirts please</u>.





KS2 Swimming

We have managed to secure weekly swimming lessons for all children in KS2 for the Autumn 2024 term. Swimming is a statutory requirement for all schools with the expectation that all pupils leaving year 6 being able to swim a minimum of 25 meters.

A letter with further details will be provided next week.

Meet Millie!

Millie (Mrs Groom's 13-week chocolate Labrador puppy) has had several visits to the school. Due to her age, she has not had close interactions with the children, but we hope to fully train her in becoming Cadmore's first therapy dog! This is a long process that can take up to 18 months to 2 years before she can fully interact with the children, having completed credential therapy dog training.



Parent and Toddler Summer Forest School Session

We have a parent and toddler forest school session on Wednesday 17th July

1.15 – 2.45pm £7 per parent and 1 child (£2 per extra child). Come and enjoy 'Bubbles and Minibeasts' in our lovely woods. Activities include a minibeast hunt, bubbles, climbing, storytelling, mud kitchen and free play. If any parents would like to attend with their younger children please book online via our school website. Please let any friends or family know who have a toddler and you think would enjoy this session.



Recycling Batteries

Our Big Battery Challenge was a huge success. We recycled so many batteries that might have just ended up in landfill. We have decided to continue recycling batteries on behalf of Cancer Research UK, so please send them to school when you have any.

News from the Classrooms



Class 1

So far this term we have been learning about habitats. We began with the topic of 'under the sea' where we learnt about the importance of keeping our oceans safe. We then moved onto the theme of 'Rainforests' where we found out about lots of the different animals which live in rainforests all over the world. We introduced new vocabulary, such as macaw, tree frog, sloth, piranha and ocelot. This tied in perfectly with our trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park where the children were so excited to see

a variety of jungle, rainforest, water and desert animals.



We have enjoyed doing lots of creative activities such as making paper plate macaws, making the rainforest layers out of shoe boxes and exploring colour mixing to make different shades of the rainforest. The children in Reception have been working very hard on their writing over the last few weeks. Lots of the children have been participating in the daily challenge to access the writing table independently and we have been wowed by the fabulous work they have produced. Making non-fiction books has been very popular and we have enjoyed sharing these as a class each day. Well done to all of you! We are also very proud of what good role models the Reception children have been towards the Nursery children. There has been a lot of collaborative play and good sharing.





In our maths learning the Reception children have been working on continuing and creating repeating patterns, as well as recapping 2D shapes – focussing on rotating shapes to copy shape pictures. We have also continued to work on number bonds to 10 and have introduced using Rekenreks for spotting number bonds and as a counting tool.

In Nursery, we have been practising describing routes to get teddy home safely on a map. We have also been sequencing events using language such as first, then, next.



As always, thank you for your continued support. It's been a wonderful Year in Class 1 and we will miss the Reception Class lots as they move on to their next chapter. The Early Years Team.

News from Class 2



We have not found out the title of our new book. We do know the main character is a Badger called Pete who likes to be tidy. We have made predictions about the story and written speech bubbles.

We have also written a Diary entry for our school trip to Cotswolds Wildlife Park.



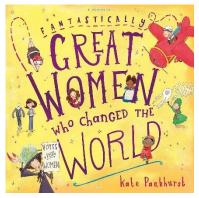
Year 1 will be further developing their understanding of Number Bonds. Year 2 will be concentrating on Multiplication.



Our Science topic is 'Uses of Everyday Materials.' We are looking at different materials to find out:

- What are their properties?
- Do they bend, squash, stretch?
- What are the best materials for making different things?





News from Class 3

In Class 3 we have been learning about famous women from history through our book 'Fantastically Wonderful Women who changed the World'. This half term we have been focusing our writing on Rosa Parks and the work she did to

further civil rights through the bus boycott in Montgomary, Alabama. The children have enjoyed learning about her and performing drama linked to how she refused to give up her seat on a bus. The children have written recounts of this historical event, as well as characters descriptions about Rosa.



In maths, both years 3 and 4 have completed their unit on Statistics. Year 4 have also completed their unit on Position and Direction. The children have been collecting data and interpreting data on a variety of charts. Year 4 have also been

looking at how we can use grids and axis to give the coordinates of different points on a grid. The children will be completing their end of unit and end of year assessments in the coming weeks.



In science, the children have been learning about inventors and scientists, looking at such famous figures as



Alexander Graham Bell and have been looking at how people like Inge Lehmann discovered what the earth is made from. In geography, the children have been learning about maps skills and how different maps are affected by the land. In French, the children have been learning about holidays and hobbies in preparation for the summer break!

News from Class 4

English

With the year 6 SATS now behind us and the sun shining, the children can look forward to a busy and exciting end to their time in class 4. We are coming to the end of our class novel 'Wonder' which the children are really

enjoying. We have created storyboards and have written play scripts based on the story. We hope to conclude our learning by watching the film and then comparing similarities and differences between the book and the film.

In maths, year 6 have now completed the White Rose curriculum for this year and are now applying their knowledge and skills to real life problem solving scenarios. The children have been researching and planning a holiday abroad. They have been costing the trip, calculating time differences between countries, converting between kilometres and miles and working with currency converters. In fact, the children are now equipped and ready to plan your family holiday! The Year 5's are coming to the end of their curriculum and have been learning about co-ordinates and how they can be used in relation to position and direction on an



axis. They are now adding and subtracting decimals and then will conclude the year converting between units and having fun with negative numbers!



In **science** and in conjunction with our recent school trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park, the children have been learning about the conservation of endangered animals at the park. They researched information, created posters and shared their findings to their classmates. Prior to this, the class completed a field study of the school grounds identifying flora and fauna and then classifying their findings into a class booklet.

In **art**, with Mrs Caine, the children have been looking at cubism.

They created portraits based on the book 'Wonder'. They then moved onto creating in their own style and inspiration a picture that blended two images using this same artistic approach. (see below!)



News from Forest School

We have had a very busy time recently over all the classes making butter to eat with crackers, elderflower cordial, lemonade & installing the zip line & troubleshooting any issues thanks to Class 4. We also had a very kind donation from Abundance Seedlings in Stokenchurch of 2 tomato plants & a £30 voucher for plants of our choice for next year.





As always, have a lovely weekend. Kind regards, Mrs Groom Headteacher



Celebration Assembly



Class	Award	Name	Reason
1	Star of the Week	Mike	For his determination when practicing for sports day.
	Science	-	-
	Maths	Ezra	For being good at understanding 1 more.
	Writer	Sienna	For making her own stories and books
	Values	Maive	For having respect and empathy for insects - Maive reassured a spider and put it outside when others were trying to hurt it.
Class	Award	Name	Reason
2	Star of the Week	Renzo	For amazing knowledge during RE lesson, you always show great enthusiasm!



	Science	Edie	For making good links between our science topic 'Uses of
			Everyday Materials' and our DT topic when sewing a dress.
	Maths	Olive	For being consistent and showing a good attitude in maths all
			year!
	Writer	Penny	For making good story predictions in English.
	Values	Simon	For always showing our school values and being a great role
			model.
Class	Award	Name	Reason
3	Star of the	Lily	For fantastic effort and excellent improvement
	Week		
	Science	Amber-	For excellent questions in our lesson
		Rose	
	Maths	Riley	For superb improvement in his timetables
	Writer	Sophie	For an incredibly detailed recall
	Values	Henry	For always being kind and helpful
Class	Award	Name	Reason
4	Star of the Week	Gabriella	For your excellent contribution in lessons this week!
	Science	Ernest	For your enthusiasm and effort throughout our study of the Cotswold Wildlife Park.
	Maths	Amelia	For your excellent contribution and effort during our 'Holiday' themed problem-solving topic
	Writer	Shahani	For your cleverly written mini saga!
	Values	Phoebe	For your politeness and positive attitude in class and around your new school – welcome to Cadmore End!