



# BARBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## SCHOOL

### WOODPECKERS ASSEMBLY

Woodpeckers parents are invited to watch their class assembly on Thursday 14th February at 9am. Please come along if you can.

### SAFER INTERNET DAY

On Tuesday we had a whole school assembly to discuss keeping safe online. We talked about making sensible choices when online, the importance of keeping personal information private and checking with an adult before downloading new games or apps. We asked the children to be mindful of being kind when online and the importance of reporting anything that causes them worry or upset to a trusted adult. The children went on to have age appropriate discussions in class and completed a quiz at the end.

### COURAGE

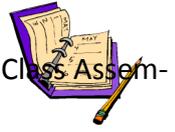
On Thursday Mrs Madigan led a whole school assembly on bravery and courage. The children were told the true story of a little boy from her family and his courageous battle with leukaemia. The children listened avidly and many contributed their thoughts and feelings following the discussion.

### BBC LIVE LESSON

The children in Squirrels, Owls & Oaks had a fantastic time joining in with the BBC Live Lesson on story writing yesterday. David Walliams read out the story that was created in just 40 minutes, it was fantastic and enjoyed by all.

### INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER

Owls and Oaks are learning about why Jesus is such an inspirational leader for Christians in their R.E lessons. We would like to invite somebody in to talk to the children and respond to questions about the role and impact of Jesus in their lives. This would be one afternoon for 10-20 minutes next week. Please contact the office if you are interested.



Thursday 14th February Woodpeckers Class Assembly

Thursday 14th February School closes for half term

Friday 15th February Teacher Training Day

Thursday 14th February Non uniform day—**DRAYCOTE HOUSE**

Monday 25th February School re-opens

Monday 4th March Class Photographs

Thursday 7th March World Book Day—Book at bedtime theme—Children can wear pyjamas

Thursday 7th March Reception & Year 6 School nurse visit

Friday 8th March Reception & Year 6 School nurse visit

Monday 11th March Parents Evening 3.30-7pm

Wednesday 13th March Parents Evening 3.30-5pm

Friday 5th April School closes for Easter Holiday

Tuesday 23rd April Teacher Training Day

Wednesday 24th April School re-opens

Thursday 9th May Acorns Class Assembly

**Monday 13th May SATS Week**

Friday 24th May School closes for half term

Monday 3rd June School re-opens

## STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to our stars of the week this week - Leo in Acorns, Tadi-Mai in Woodpeckers, Ethan in Squirrels, Leah in Owls & Jack in Oaks.

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**COURAGE**





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### ACORNS



We enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year and found out that we were either born in the year of the horse or the year of the snake. We coloured dragon masks and created our own dragon dances to Chinese music.

### WOODPECKERS

This week in Woodpeckers the children have been carrying out their own science experiments and exploring the irreversible changes of when heat is applied to objects and food.



### SQUIRRELS

In Design and Technology this week, the Squirrels finally got to start making their wooden framed houses, after weeks of planning and developing their skills. They are using a range of natural and manmade materials and working cohesively together! Great team work.



### OWLS



We have been working hard adding and subtracting fractions in maths. In English we have been planning and starting our narrative on a main character who is fearful of something or someone. We thoroughly enjoyed joining in with the BBC live lesson on Thursday!

### OAKS

This week, Owls have been finding fractions of amounts and using persuasive techniques, such as hyperbole, to encourage Mrs Saunders to purchase a brand new... plastic cup!

