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## DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

It's been another fantastic week with five classes out on trips. Reception and Year 1 had a wonderful visit to Hill End for a whole day of Forest School, Year 3 had a lovely visit to Harcourt Arboretum, Year 4 visited St Michael's Church and Year 6 set off for a weekend at Yenworthy.

News from the classes...

Reception have been designing and making vehicles. The highlight of the week however has, to be their trip to Hill End where everyone had a wonderful time climbing, making log dens, swinging in the hammock, and running around the woods and stream. They had a wonderfully muddy time!

Year 1 have been using paper to weave scales for the Rainbow fish. In mathematics they have been adding equal groups and for English they have been writing about Little Orange Nemo.

Year 2 have worked really hard in PHSE and as part of their Jigsaw unit of work they have been learning about changes that we can and can't control. In topic this week the class have been learning about all different sorts of bears including sun bears, sloth bears, pandas and polar bears and created some wonderful posters to demonstrate their knowledge!

Year 3 have been practising their 'Bombs and Blackberries' play and making gas mask boxes. They had a fantastic trip to Harcourt Arboretum learning about pollination and identifying different wildlife in the magnificent meadow.

Year 4 were very excited to go on their first visit out of school this week which was to go up the Anglo Saxon tower at St. Michael's church on Cornmarket. The class have also explored the themes of kindness and the sometimes unexpected consequences of when people are unkind relating to their class book "Cloud Busting".

Year 5 have been measuring and drawing angles using protractors, talking about hopes and visions for the future and designing their own 3D models of The Colosseum!

Year 6 (including the adults!) are very excited about a long weekend in Yenworthy. We have been busy packing and preparing for our departure on Friday 25th June.

Please the school website for pictures on twitter including pictures of Yenworthy this weekend.

Best wishes for a good weekend  
Karen Donaghey, Headteacher

**Thursday of this week was Thank-a-Teacher day. We would like to say thank you to all the staff who work so hard in our school to give the children the best possible experience of education. Lots of our staff do extra for our school and we are very grateful to them**

Our motto... To be kind, learn as much as you can and encourage one another.

### THANK YOU

- *To the parents who continue to donate extra money for trips and visits. In particular, thanks for the donations towards the cost of Yenworthy and the trip to Hill End. Thank you for helping to make these happen; they really do make a difference.*
- *To the parents and grandparents to come on the trips this week.*

### ACTION...

#### Equipment

**We are spending lots of time outside. Please make sure children come to school in PE kit everyday with their shoulders covered and that they always have a hat in school. All children will also need a water bottle in school.**

**WE ARE A NUT, SEED AND KIWI FREE SCHOOL.** Please check cereal bars and snacks and do not send products such as Nutella to school. This includes pine nuts, humus and tahini. Please also avoid sending KIWI fruit.

### COVID-19

**If a member of your family receives a positive test result or is isolating after close contact please let us know urgently on [head.3832@st-barnabas.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:head.3832@st-barnabas.oxon.sch.uk) This includes weekends. Thank you.**

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

**TERM ENDS- WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY AT 1.30PM**

**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR RUN JERICHO**

<https://runjericho.com/>

**Sports Week 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> July.**

We will not be having the usual sports day this year because of the restrictions and because we are maintaining a high level of caution over the virus. We feel we have been so careful since last March that we don't want to jeopardise it over the last few weeks.

Instead we are having a sports week with races and competitions, the Run Jericho Mile and some tennis coaching from the LTA. We will also look at healthy eating that week and assemblies will cover staying safe and healthy. Children should continue to wear PE kit all week and may wear their Run Jericho T-shirts. Please remember hats and water bottles too.

The T-shirts will be on sale outside the office on Thursday and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July priced at £5. Proceeds go to the school.