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

## DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

Last weekend Year 6 went to Yenworthy for a weekend of surfing, orienteering and lots of fun. We all had a great time and thank you to Mrs Pettitt and Miss Thompson for giving up their weekend so the children could go. Please look on twitter to see the pictures. Year 5 enjoyed hearing all about it ready for their turn in January.

Thursday was transition day and there was much excitement and positive chat as children met their new teachers.

This week in classes...

Nursery have been starting to explore clay and making new friends.

Reception have been revisiting money and using coins to create different amounts. For their topic they focused on the stories of Mrs Armitage by Quentin Blake and discussed how they could improve vehicles with items like rocket boosters and built-in bathroom facilities!

Year 1 have been learning the names and locations of key places in the United Kingdom. This includes the waters surrounding the British Isles and the capital cities. In mathematics they have been using sharing to solve division problems. They have also been learning a new song called sea dive!

Year 2 have been very busy learning about different fractions including how to write as a mixed number and counting forwards and backwards in fractions. They also really enjoyed learning about the lost city of Peru and finding out more about their Paddington topic.

Year 3 have been learning about the Blitz and creating their own Blitz artwork with silhouette drawings of the London skyline.

Year 4 have been preparing tourist guides for Oxford now that the city is beginning to open up again to visitors; they have picked three places each that they think would be interesting to tourists. The class has also been making storyboards for the book "Cloud Busting" that show the eight most important moments in the story.

Year 5 have been carefully measuring out arches to make their own Colosseum! They have used very careful cutting skills. The children have been enjoying learning more about The Colosseum in Rome.

Best wishes for a good weekend

Karen Donaghey, Headteacher

## THANK YOU

- To Father Christopher for helping with the locking up this week.
- To the Green Jericho Group for more gardening
- To Caroline (PTA) for consulting about the outside space development.
- The Run Jericho team for organising Run Jericho.

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

<https://runjericho.com/>

## Sports Week 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> July-a reminder

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.

**Sponsorship forms for RUN JERICO are coming home today**

**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**

Year 6 had a wonderful time in Yenworthy. On Friday they did orienteering, Saturday surfing and on Sunday rock pooling, beach combing and rock scrabbling. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the activities and though there wasn't much sleep on Friday night by Saturday everyone was tired and slept well. Please look at twitter to see the photographs. This week they have written thank you letters and started to get ready for their move to secondary school.