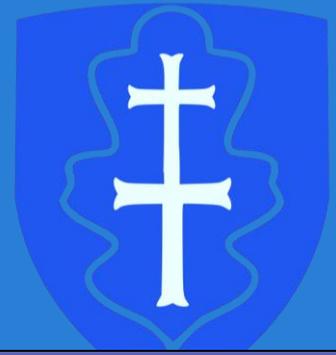


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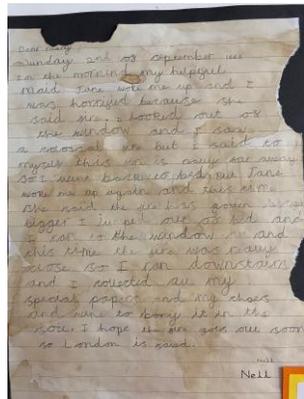
## Head Teacher's News



It has been a great start to this half term in school. I have been particularly delighted to see the impact of our depth studies in History and Geography on the learning of the children. Year 1/2 have been learning about the 'Great Fire of London', and their work exploring original sources and comparing past and present is very impressive. This unit has also been complimented by a brilliant workshop run by Science Oxford based on the Great Fire of



London. Year 3/4 have been looking at 'How can we live in harmony with the Earth?' in which they have been exploring volcanoes and earthquakes, learning about what causes them and the impact they have on people. This was complimented by a visit to the Natural History Museum, where staff were incredibly impressed by the knowledge and enthusiasm the children showed. Finally, Year 5/6 have been involved in their 'Invaders and Settlers' unit and it has been great to see such a range of learning, including drama, map study and character study. They got a chance to engage with real-life artefacts linked to their study of Ancient Egyptians, Romans and Anglo-Saxons at the British Museum. Badgers are also contributing to these depth study as we have refreshed our EYFS curriculum so that the children are developing knowledge and skills linked to these areas that they will be able to use and build on as they move through the school. For more information about these topics, you can view our revised [Geography](#) and [History](#) plans by following these links to the school website.



Next week, we have Parents' Evening. I know the teachers are looking forward to sharing the children's learning and progress with you so, if you haven't yet managed to book an appointment, please do.

On Friday, we will be taking a big group of girls from KS1 and KS2 to Great Marlow for the [Girls Biggest Football Session](#). This is a national initiative to #LetGirlsPlay football and we are very excited to be part of it. The aim is to have the most girls playing football in the country in one day ever and the children will be taking part in a range of activities and games run by the Sports Leaders at Great Marlow School.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you next week

*Sam Browne*

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## Star of the Week

**Hettie** for fab work in phonics and reading

**Tilly** for great progress with handwriting and her independent creative writing

**Charlie** for a fantastic attitude to learning all week

**Emelia** for persevering through a tough week of testing

**Miss O'Donovan** for helping the Worship Leaders set up their PowerPoint

## Head Journalists

### Reception

In Badgers they started their new animals, plants and life-cycle topics and learnt about our world and how to recycle. To do with that topic, they created a seascape made of rubbish.

### Y1&2

Year 1/2 have been learning about fractions in Maths and in English they have been thinking about great descriptive language. They looked at portraits of Samuel Pepys and used them as historical sources.

### Y3&4

This week they have been looking at Ten World Tiny Tales and have tried to write their own in only five minutes. They wrote it so quickly! In maths, they were doing fractions of one and they visited the Natural History Museum for their topic subject. They saw lots of fascinating things.

### Y5&6

It has been test week for year 5/6: Maths, Spelling and Grammar and reading. They also painted their Harry Potter wands to make the finished piece. They also went to the British Museum and focused on Romans, Egyptians, and Anglo Saxons.

### Forest School

In Forest School this week they continued learning and looked at different bird species. They also made clay creations and looked for signals of spring coming (March 20<sup>th</sup>!).

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## Diary Dates

<b>Date</b>	<b>Occasion</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Who?</b>
<b>March 2024</b>			
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parents' Evening (All classes)</b>	<b>School Hall</b>	<b>Parents</b>
<b>Weds 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parents' Evening (Y3/4)</b>	<b>School Hall</b>	<b>Parents</b>
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Girls Biggest Football Session Ever</b>	<b>Great Marlow School</b>	<b>Girls in KS1 and KS2</b>
<b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm</b>	<b>SEN Coffee Session</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Parents</b>
<b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>World Book Day – PJs or comfy clothes</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>Tues 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3/4 and Y5/6 visit to Waddesdon Manor</b>	<b>Waddesdon Manor</b>	<b>Year 3/4 and Year 5/6</b>
<b>Weds 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FGB</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Governors</b>
<b>Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30pm</b>	<b>Break up for Easter</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>April 2024</b>			
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Staff</b>
<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Summer Term starts</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Everyone</b>
<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Swimming for Y3/4 starts</b>	<b>Wycombe Leisure Centre</b>	<b>Year 3/4</b>
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 5/6 Cricket Festival</b>	<b>Wycombe Cricket Club</b>	<b>Selected children</b>

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