



This week we have been thinking about those who have given their lives fighting for their country in war. We used this image to help understand why it is that the poppy has been used as a symbol of remembrance since WW1.

As part of their English unit on 'difference' the Y56 children have been reading and writing biographies about historical figures who fought to make our world a safer, fairer and better place. Due to it being remembrance, this week the children turned their attention to famous but unsung war heroes and they shared some of these stories with us in this morning's moving assembly. The children's singing of Vera Lynn's 'White Cliffs of Dover' was poignant and beautiful.

Stars of the Week

Reception: **Freya** —for understanding that to learn new skills in phonics she must look and listen with care; Freya demonstrates this every day now.

Years 1&2: **Xenia** - for showing brilliant teamwork skills in science

Years 3&4: **Charlie** - for continuing to go from strength to strength in his learning

Years 5&6: **Morty** - for showing such enthusiasm in science this week

Comedy Night—Saturday 23rd November

Please remember to book your tickets for our first ever comedy night. Top-drawer, highly-acclaimed London comedian Mark Maier has offered to stage an extravaganza, with a few friends from the London comedy circuit. There will be curry, wine and beer and it promises to be a night of laughter and fun, all raising vital funds for our little school. The event is very kindly being hosted by Bloxham School. Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment! A brilliant way to kick off the festive season. With enormous thanks to Ness (ex-parent) for very kindly organising such a fab event for us all. Poster on page 3.



Good Manners' Champion

This week's Good Manners' Champion is **Freya** in Year 1. Freya has grown up such a lot and she always remembers to say good morning to me now when she arrives at school. She listens really well in assemblies and always puts her hand up with something interesting to say. Mr Grant told Freya, "You always remember to say please and thank you! You have a cheerful and thoughtful manner. You are a smiley and bright-eyed listener who helps others. Freya you are always in the right place at the right time without any grumbles." The other children went on to add: "A couple of weeks ago at Art Club, Freya did a really cool picture and I told Freya I could never do something like that. Freya told me she could teach me—and she did!" (Mimi in Y6) "Freya's a really great sister; when I'm not busy, she's always ready to play with me!" "She likes to play with all her friends." "Freya's a really good stick partner, and she knows all the answers!" "She's a really good sister; in the nicest way, she says, 'Charlie can I play with you?!'" ... "Freya always plays really kindly." Huge well done Freya—you have made a big impression on children throughout the school (and on your brothers too!) who have noticed how kind and inclusive you are. You should feel very proud of yourself.

Wild Garden Developments

A team of us spent a busy day in the Wild Garden over half-term. Brambles and blackthorn were cut back, nettles and weeds were cleared, paths were made, a tented shelter was constructed and tables and benches were built—as well as the essential mud kitchen. A huge thank you to Amelie's dad who gave his time to come along and help us, as well as Gemma, Mrs Platt, Mr Grant, Mr Miles and Will, one of the team from Little Wild Things, who even brought his parents along! We are so pleased with the transformation and will continue developing and adding to this wonderful natural space over coming weeks and months.

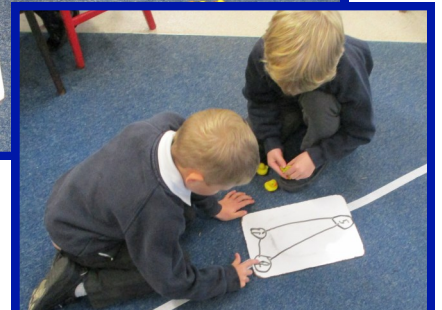
If you have robust pots and pans, sieves etc that you no longer need, we can certainly give them a good home and will love them once more and give them a new purpose in life!

Dates Coming Up

Wed 20th Nov	U11 Netball Tournament CNPS
Mon 18th Nov	Y5/6 Street Dance Workshop-DATE CHANGE
Wed 27th Nov	Charcoal Workshop All Years
Tues 3rd Dec	AIM Art
Sat 7th Dec	Great Tew Church Carol Service 5-6pm
Thurs 12th Dec	Christmas Nativity Play—Reception, Year 1&2 Performances at 2pm and 6pm.
Tues 17th Dec	The Christmas Feast
Fri 20th Dec	End of term Christmas Service, Great Tew Church 9am End of term at 12 noon
Mon 6th Jan	Inset Day
Tues 7th Jan	Back to school—Spring Term begins
Fri 10th Jan	Year 5 and 6 Swimming Lessons Commence
Wed 15th Jan	Swimming Gala CNPS
Wed 29th Jan	U11 Hockey Tournament CNPS
Fri 31st Jan	West Oxfordshire Cross-Country Finals



The Reception children had an exciting afternoon opening box after box of fabulous new construction and maths equipment. A big thank you to the Supporters' Club.



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