



Middle Barton School

Newsletter

Friday 6th September 2024



Head's News

Welcome back!

This week has flown by and the children have all settled amazingly well into their new classes. Our Year 6 children are taking on their 'Year 6' responsibilities. They have been helping the younger children at lunchtimes in the hall and supervising the library, setting up the hall for assemblies and most important of all, they are now able to sit on the benches during assemblies.

Communication

We always try our best to communicate as much information to you as possible and we know that sometimes it can be overwhelming! We have decided to focus on using dojo as much as we can, both from the classes and from the office, so we will now be sending our newsletter out fortnightly rather than weekly. Dojo and values leaves will now be posted on dojo rather than in the newsletter.

Uniform

The children have all returned to school looking incredibly smart and wearing the correct clothing for the various activities going on each day! Please can I just remind those children with long hair that it must be tied back each day.

Homework

This year we will continue to focus on the 'basics' for homework- reading and maths. I am in the process of rewriting the policy, which I will share with you all shortly, but our expectation is Years 2-6 complete reading as frequently as possible- daily is ideal! We have purchased a large number of new scheme books (over 500) which have obviously cost the school a considerable amount of money so please take great care with them. The children are also expected to complete Doodle Maths over the duration of the week (Friday to Friday) and ensure they are in the 'green zone' by Friday when the class teacher will check it. If they do not complete this, they will be asked to do this at school during a break or lunch time.

Staff

Welcome to all of our new staff members- Miss McGrath (Teacher), Mrs Nichols (TA), Miss Ward (TA) and Mr Moorhouse (SCITT programme -Teacher training).

Eco-Schools

During the summer holidays we had the most amazing news!! We were awarded Eco-Schools status. Mrs Horner, her committee of children and all of the staff and pupils worked hard last year to achieve this. We are all very proud and we will have the flag flying high soon!!

OurBus Bartons

Over the past few years, the school has been involved with OurBus Bartons and their journey to owning two electric buses. This Saturday at 3pm

Dates for the diary

<https://www.middlebartonschool.org/school-calendar-and-term-dates/>

W/C 09.09.24. – NO SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK, FRIDAY FOOTBALL CLUB AS USUAL

Friday – football Y1,2,3,4,5,6

Monday 09.09.24. – Acorn Meet the Teacher 3.10pm

Tuesday 10.09.24. – Oak Meet the Teacher 3.10pm

Monday 16.09.24. – School photos: WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Friday 20.09.24. – FOMBS Welcome Disco 5.30pm – 8.00pm

Wednesday 25.09.24. – Introduction to Early Years for parents 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Friday 27.09.24. – MacMillan Coffee Morning for village community 10.00am – 11.30am

30.09.24.-04.10.24. – Year 6 residential to Yenworthy

Wednesday 02.10.24. – CNPS U11 football tournament 3.00pm – 4.45pm – named children

Tuesday 08.10.24. – Y6 Junior Citizens

Tuesday 15.10.24. – Open Afternoon 2.30pm

Friday 18.10.24. – Flu vaccinations for all children

W/C 21.10.24. – Parent meetings

Wednesday 23.10.24. – CNPS U11 Cross Country 3.00pm – 4.15pm – named children

Friday 25.10.24. – INSET DAY – no children in school

28.10.24. – 01.11.24. – HALF TERM

Monday 04.11.24. – INSET DAY – no children in school

Tuesday 05.11.24. – new term commences

Morning run

From Wendy Denby:

Welcome back to Morning Run!

Well done to everyone who has joined us at Morning Run this week, especially our new starters and Acorn children! This is our opportunity to 'run your sillies out' before school. But you can also walk, skip or jog, and you can take your grown-up with you too.

I write down all the laps because there's a certificate for everybody who reaches a total of 78 laps. This equates to 13 miles which is a Half Marathon!

Of course this takes many weeks but if do one lap each day you will certainly get there!

One or two laps are ideal for younger members of the school, whilst KS2 pupils could manage three or four if they wished. Good luck everyone! I look forward to seeing you each day at Morning Run!

News from Vietnam!

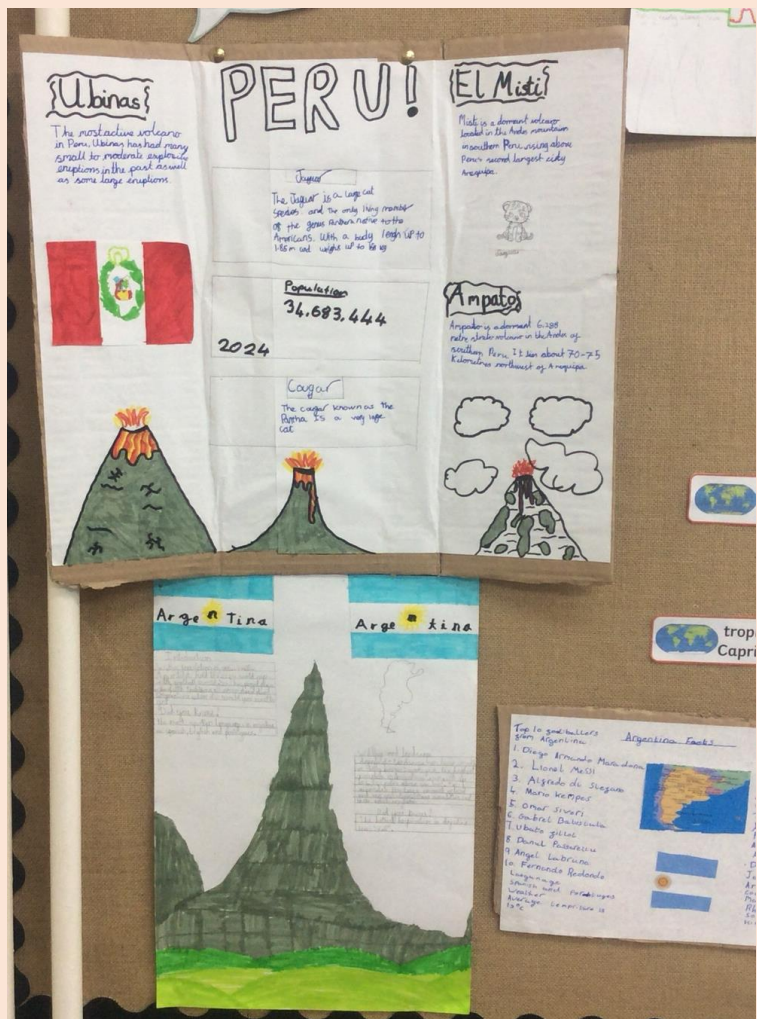
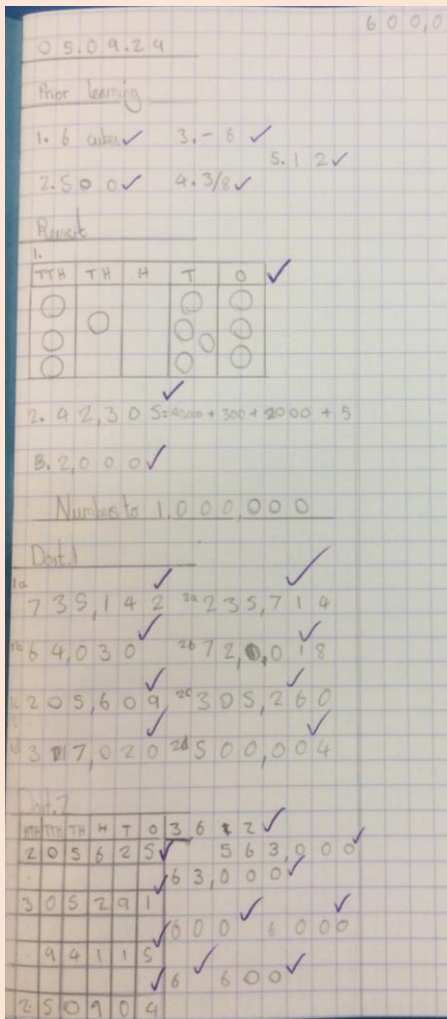
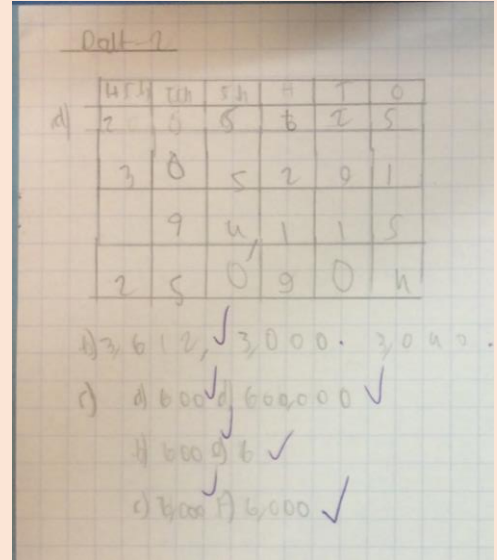
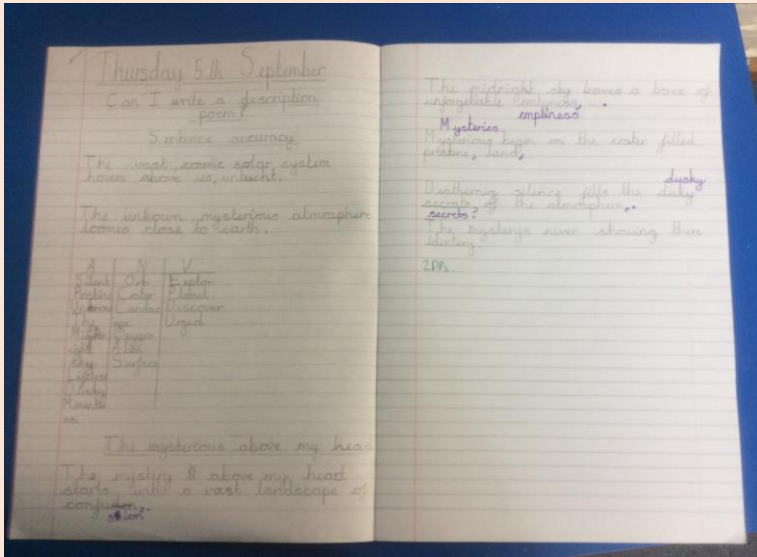
Mr Smith arrived in early August and has started his teaching job. He is still getting used to the change in climate and the humidity!





Oak Class

We have been working on place value in our Maths lessons, looking at roman numerals in Y5 and numbers to 1,000,000 in Y6. In English, we wrote our own description poems based upon the moon.





Willow Class

Willows class started the term off with a Brilliant Beginnings day about North America. The children made medallions and dream catchers as well as starting off learning about map reading. The children have also started drawing in the style of Keith Haring - this is trickier than it looks! All the children have had a great start to the school year.





Maple Class

Maples have been getting themselves set for the year ahead, including learning to write carefully in squares and finishing their baseline for doodle maths!





Acorn Class

A wonderful first week, the acorn children have settled into school fantastically! We have had lots of fun getting to know each other and learning our school rules and routines. The Year One children have been fabulous at teaching the new Reception and they've begun their separate year one sessions next door.





Green Flag Award Winners 2024!



Well done to Mrs Horner and the Eco Committee!



Happening this weekend:

On Saturday:

Roxy will be making a short presentation from the school and Mrs Griffin will be there!



OurBus
Bartons

Basil Bus

Lightning

OurBus Bartons
invites you to
the naming of our new
Electric Buses
(Named by Middle Barton School students)

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7th 3pm - 5pm
Sports and Social Club car park, OX7 7EE

Free rides!
Teas, coffee, cakes and bar



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And for Sunday:



**STEEPLE BARTON CHASE
SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER**

Gates open at 9.00am. The popular Family Fun Run at 10.00 for all ages and abilities. The 10k run at 10.30 followed by the 5k at 10.35. It is also an enjoyable walk dogs on the lead welcome. So something for everyone.

Or just come along cheer on the runners and enjoy the refreshments to include a tasty pulled pork roll.

For full details and to sign up for a run/walk www.steeplebartonchase.co.uk

BOOK TODAY as there will be an extra £2 charge if you wait until the day.

We look forward to seeing you, whatever your pace.

Dojo points

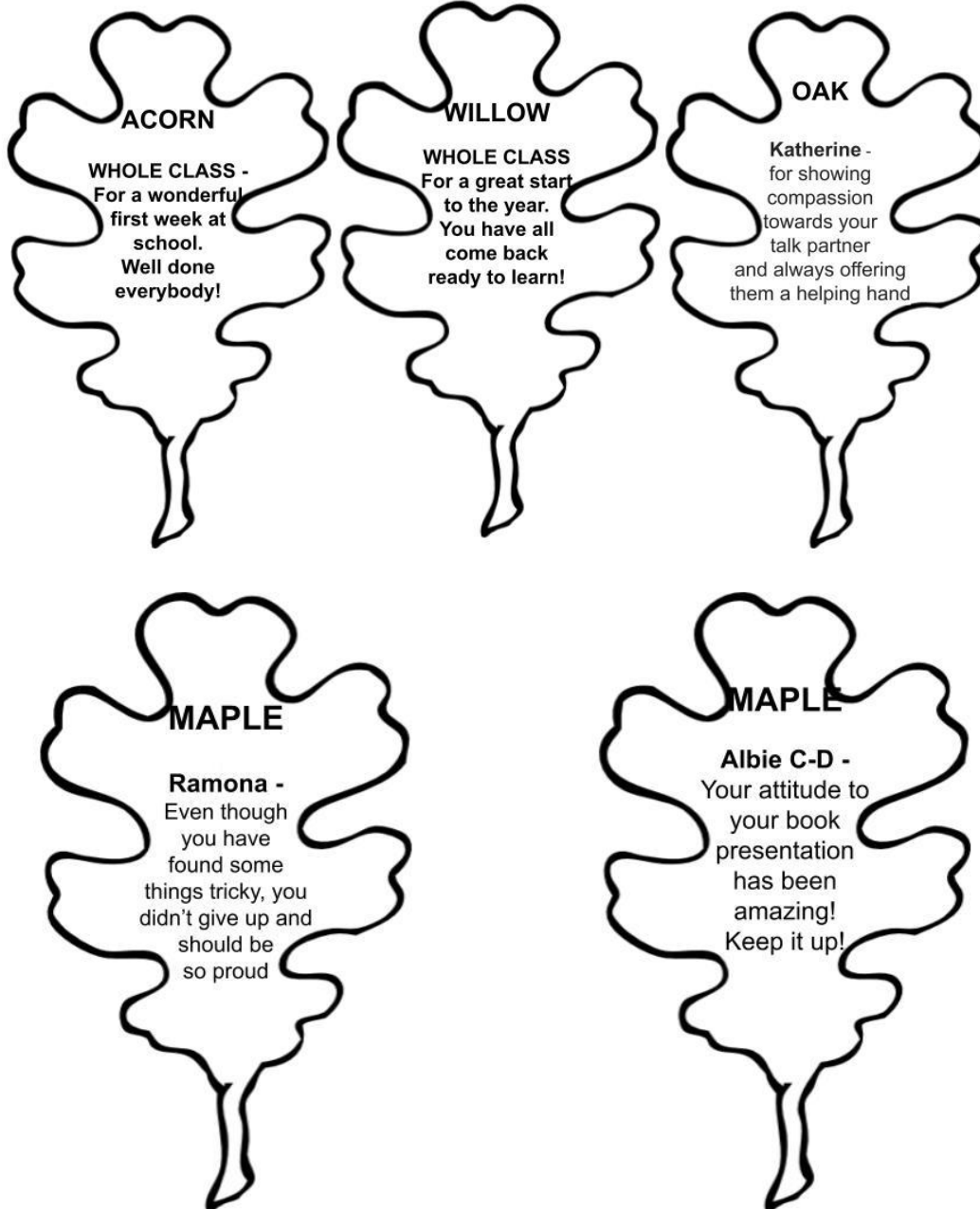
Acorn – Romy

Maple – Minnie

Willow – Jess & Tom

Oak - Annabelle

Values leaves



Safeguarding Children - what to do if you think a child is at risk of abuse or neglect:

Immediate danger - if you think a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999.

Immediate concern - if you have a concern about a child, please call MASH on 0345 050 7666.