

July 2023. School liaison governor report to PC

The last weeks of term have been very busy. As well as continuing their learning in class the children have taken part in a wide variety of outdoor learning activities and visits.

These include :

- Years 4 and 5 took part in a drama workshop run by Chipping Norton school
- Year 6 attended a cricket tournament
- Visit to Woodstock museum by younger children to learn about dinosaurs and fossils
- Visit to All things Wild [ Years 1,2 and 3]
- A Visit from Lynda Webb and some pupils from the Warriner to celebrate 'the joy of singing' with years 3,4,and 5.
- A visit from the ladies from the 'Open the book' group who came in to read some Bible stories.
- All KS2 children took part in a virtual marathon with partnership schools. They all completed a timed mile [6 laps of the school field]. MB won the small schools competition.
- Year 6 performance to parents and families of Cinderella Rockafella
- Whole school Sports morning and family picnic
- Year 6 cookout using the new firepit which was kindly given to the school by the Year 6 parents.
- Year 6 completed their greenhouse made from recycled plastic bottles.
- Year 6 visit to Farmoor reservoir to go sailing

The Old School House work has now been completed. It has proved to be a very expensive project due to unexpected complications and the requirements of working on a listed building and it would not have been possible if it hadn't been fully funded by River Learning Trust. School is very grateful for all they have done to provide this amazing space which will be a nurture centre with meeting rooms and will be known as The Hive. The children have been working on a variety of bee related artwork to decorate the space.

The children enjoyed sharing their work with the parents and visitors during the open afternoon on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

The old computer room will be the new library which will include a quiet study space from September. There will be continued fundraising to add more new books to the shelves and provide new furniture .

I attended the welcome meeting for new parents to the school. It was a small group this year due to our low intake. Emma Merry, our Early Years teacher explained how she works with the children and was available to reassure and answer any questions from the parents. The parents then visited the classroom to see where their children will be in September. The children themselves have already had several visits.

The trimming of the hedging is included in the work done by the grounds contractors and a visit is anticipated.