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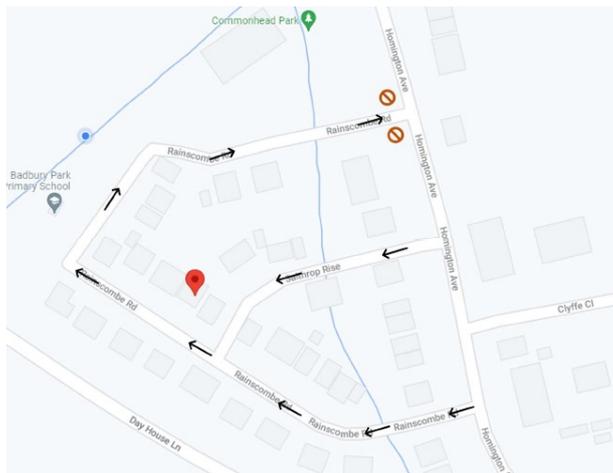


Date: 28th January 2022

Newsletter

Dear Families,

January is almost over and we can look forward to some lighter evenings and brighter days. Thank you for following the new one way traffic system (please see plan); please continue to park considerately and don't forget to switch off your engines as soon as you have come to a stop outside school.



I am looking forward to seeing how creative you can be with number related outfits next Friday for the NSPCC number day (details on page 3) and hope we can raise an impressive amount for this very worthwhile charity—some parents have already donated on our Just Giving page and we have raised £35 so far which is fantastic.



Next Tuesday is the start of the Chinese New Year, the year of the tiger. I wish all our families who are celebrating a very Happy New Year! After School club have been busy making tigers to celebrate the day.



Have a good weekend—happy birdwatching (see page 3)!

Nursery Apple Tree class have been learning lots of traditional tales over the past few weeks. This week, the Three Bears came to visit and the children have remembered so much of the story to retell in their play.



We have made our own playdough in class, thinking about all of the ingredients we need, how it looks, how it feels and what happens when we add water and mix. We then used it to make pretend biscuits and cakes to share with our friends.



There has been some amazing maths work outside, recognising different numbers and counting items to match. There has been lots of exciting language used to explain what they can see and what they have noticed.

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Reception/Year 1

Both Year 1 and Reception have been reading the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. Year 1's used different materials to build the houses from the story and children in Reception wrote/made marks to show the beginning, middle and end of the story.

Reception children have enjoyed exploring the new writing area where they have been using their sounds to write words.



In RE, Year 1's have been learning about special places. They used construction to make a church, a special place for Christians.

We all enjoyed using our senses to explore in the water tray.

Year 2

This week Year 2 have been getting very sticky!



We found out how glue used to be made with flour and water and then made some ourselves. We then compared it to other sticky materials like jam and honey to see which would be the best at sticking paper together.

We all enjoyed painting the honey and jam onto our paper but aren't sure if it would be very good for sticking work into our books!



Forest School



Cherry Tree class had a super Forest school session last Friday. They made dens, explored the roundhouse and sang songs around the campfire.

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NSPCC Number day—4th February 2022

Just a reminder that children will be taking part in the NSPCC number day next Friday to raise money to support National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.



We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in *Dress up for Digits*. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of £2, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

We've set up a Just Giving Page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/badburyparkprimary>
Please donate and share with friends so we can support the NSPCC

Friends of Badbury Park Primary



We are helping the school create a free library; this will be a place where people can donate and borrow books for free. If anyone has a rabbit hutch (or similar) which is waterproof and in good condition, please let the school office know.

We are also starting to plan the summer fete and would welcome all existing members and anyone who is interested in helping, to come to the next meeting. Look out for a

Whatsapp message for details.

Big Garden Birdwatch

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) are asking as many people as possible to take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch, an annual event to record the number of garden birds that land in gardens or local green spaces. This helps the RSPB create an accurate picture of how our feathered friends are getting on, as well as highlighting which species most need our help.



Big
Garden
Birdwatch
28-30 January 2022

How to take part:

- This is a fun activity for the whole family. Simply gather everyone together for an hour during the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch weekend and count the different birds that land in your chosen green space – this can be your garden, local park, or bird feeders on your balcony. .
- Submit your results by **15 February 2022** online at [rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](https://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch), and using the code **BH30**, to record what you saw— even if you saw nothing, it still counts.

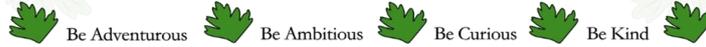
There is a bird guide and handy check list on the RSPB website : <https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/>

We would also love to hear at school what you have seen; share your results with us via Interactive Learning Diary or email.

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**North Wilts
Tae Kwon Do**
ID No. ITC/NW0011

Monday & Friday
Ages 4 - 10: 6:30 - 7pm
Ages 10+ and adults: 7 - 8pm
Senior grades: 8 - 9pm

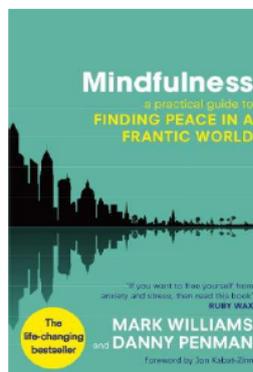
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Thursday 10th Feb - 8-9pm

Thursday 17th Feb - 8-9pm

Mindfulness offers many benefits: it helps our mental and physical well-being and has been shown to alleviate anxiety, depression, stress and chronic pain.



COURSE GUIDE

Susie Stead is a freelance mindfulness teacher based in Oxford. She was trained and competency assessed by the Oxford Mindfulness Centre (OMC) and is an OMC teacher. She also has 3 now adult children.

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School Diary

February 2022

4th: NSPCC Number day

18th: Open House at 2.30pm (Oak, Ash, Cherry and Pine) or 11am/2.45pm Apple)

21st—25th : Half term holiday (no school)

March 2022

7th: "Living Eggs" chick hatching project commences

18th : Comic relief (Red Nose day)

18th: Author Visit

April 2022

5th & 6th : Parent consultation evenings for Year 2

6th & 7th: Parent consultation evenings for Y1 and Reception

8th: last day of term 4

11th—22nd : Easter Holidays

25th: Return to school for term 5

Teacher Training Days 2021/2022

📅 Friday 1st July 2022

📅 Monday 25th July 2022

Whole school closure day

📅 Thursday 5th May
(Local elections)