

INKPEN WEEKLY NEWS

Key dates coming up

- 18.06.25** Non-Uniform day (PSA event)
- 19.06.25** Primary Project Day at John O' Gaunt (Years 4 and 5)
- 20.06.25** Sports Day
- 24.06.25** Red Kite (Years 5 and 6) Kwik Cricket tournament
- 25.06.25** Transition visit 2
- 26.06.25** Whole School trip to the Hawk Conservancy.
- 27.06.25** Back-up Sports Day
- 03.07.25** Transition visit 3

Reading Champions

13.06.25

Red Kite: Erin

Pheasant: Matilda

Muntjac: Lola



Stars of the Week

13.06.25

Red Kite: Tommy

Pheasant: Edmund

Muntjac: Lola

The children in years 2, 3 and 4 enjoyed their visit from two dental nurses from The Rectory Clinic this week. The children learnt about fluoride and how this is important for protecting our teeth from bugs! The nurses also taught us the 2-2-2 rule: We should visit the dentist twice a year, brush our teeth twice a day and brush for two minutes. The children were shown how to brush their teeth in a circular motion and were reminded to brush their tongues! I was so impressed with the thoughtful questions children asked such as "How can braces help your teeth?" and "Why aren't fruit shoots good for your teeth even though they are fruit juice?" They were also given the task to sort foods and drinks according to whether they were good for your teeth. The children got them all right! The children were all lucky enough to be given a "gift bag" full of things to help them keep their teeth healthy.



In forest School this week, Pheasants and Red Kites learnt about the Hazel tree and all of the uses for its wood. They were each given a Hazel branch and used tools to whittle the wood.



Muntjac class have been exploring Ekiden this week and have enjoyed learning about this cultural event. Ekiden is a long-distance relay race originating in Japan, where teams of runners compete by each completing a designated leg of the race, passing a "tasuki" sash (instead of a baton) to the next runner. The term "ekiden" translates to "station-to-station," reflecting its historical roots in runners relaying messages between stations.



The children in Muntjac class are still enjoying the outdoor classroom. This week they have been exploring shapes and matching pictures and patterns. There have also been lots of opportunities for independent learning and problem solving.



On Tuesday afternoon, the children in Pheasant and Red Kites classes had an exciting STEM workshop delivered by some exciting visitors from AWE. The children enjoyed learning about the different types of plastic and the risks to our environment from plastic pollution.



Time to Decompose

Teabag - 1 month	Plastic Bag - 20 years
Banana Skin - 6 weeks	Magazines - 50 years
Apple Core - 2 months	Batteries - 100 years
Cotton T-Shirt - 5 months	Plastic Bottle - 450 years
Woolen Sock - 1 year	Mobile Phone - 1,000 years

So if a plastic bottle is going to sit for 450 years in a landfill or mobile phone for 1,000 years can you, the scientists of the future apply the 4th R to these objects?

