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# Attendance

 Rabbits	 Squirrels	 Otters	 Foxes	 Owls
84 ↓	95 ↑	87 ↓	97 ↑	89 ↓
Whole School –		Year to date –		Target –
91%		89%		96%



I write this newsletter thankful for the glorious weather and wonderful week we have enjoyed. Despite Covid-19 still being present both in the children and staff we have persevered to ensure everything has been full of joy and excellence. Spring is a particularly beautiful time in God's creation.

Tomorrow morning our football team are entering a small school's tournament at Smeeth. We wish them well and I am sure that they will be great ambassadors for our school.

A big well done to Miss MacMillan and Miss Jones who organised the hockey tournament at Ashford hockey club for the Ashford schools on Wednesday. Over 60 children took part. We entered a year 3/4 and a 5/6 team. The children enjoyed their afternoon and learned a great deal from the experience. Thank you to those parents who attended to support us, it was great to see so many.

Another big well done, this time to Elisa in Year 6, who raised £40 for the Ukraine appeal yesterday by selling handmade bookmarks. A fantastic effort and great compassion shown; thank you Elisa.

Tonight, we are holding a quiz evening for adults starting at 7.30pm and finishing around 10pm in the school hall. It's not too late to get a team together and come along. It's £5 entry and another £5 for raffles and bingos; you'll be guaranteed a great evening and the quiz master is wonderful!

I wish you all a wonderful weekend and hope all the mums reading this have a wonderful Mothering Sunday and I hope the children spoil you. There will be a Mothering Sunday service taking place in the church at 9.30am.

Don't forget the clocks go forward an hour on Saturday night! Enjoy the sunshine.

Mr Bird

Head of School

# CELEBRATION COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

**Millie Go Tommy Tamara Sienna Tia.N**  
**Louise Fletcher Ruth Gracie Zyanyah**  
**Finley Lenny-John Lia Lylah Saxby**  
**Bodhi Anderson George.M Bonnie.S**



We have begun our journey through Holy Week this week, remembering the stories of Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday, thinking about the symbols that we see and the messages we can take from these stories.

## Prayer

The Collect for Holy Week

Almighty God whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



# holy week



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Help please! Owls class need some cardboard.



Please send in any cardboard box that you may have at home suitable for painting that is larger than a shoe box. We are looking for boxes similar to Amazon delivery ones not cereal boxes please. We will be very grateful, thank you.

**AFTER  
SCHOOL  
CLUB**

There is no Art Club on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

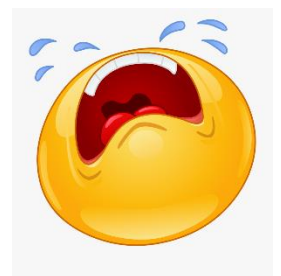
There is no Games Club on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March.

There is no KS2 Football Club on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

As part of our ongoing work to keep children safe online, we are continuing to share information about how to keep your children safe on social media apps and online. This week's poster about PHONE SCAMS is at the end of the newsletter. Please continue to monitor your child's online behaviour and access. If you need help with a specific app we have not highlighted yet, please talk to Mrs Hammond.



Don't forget that the clocks change this weekend...  
Happy Mothering Sunday, you get an hour less in bed!



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On Thursday, Eliza from Owls class sold her home made book marks to raise money for an orphanage in Poland that are supporting children fleeing Ukraine. She made £40.70 and, rightly so, is very proud. We are also very proud of her. Well done Eliza!



## Easter Trail!

Starting at St Peter and St Paul's Church and moving around the village on Maundy Thursday (14<sup>th</sup> April) and Good Friday (15<sup>th</sup> April) finishing with the Archbishop Justin at Messy Church, at the primary school on Friday (15<sup>th</sup>) afternoon at 3.30pm.

Please reserve a place with Archbishop Justin on Good Friday by contacting [revsandramarsh@btinternet.com](mailto:revsandramarsh@btinternet.com)



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SEN  
SURGERY

With Mrs Hammond

**The next SEN Surgery is Friday 1<sup>st</sup>  
April 1:15pm – 2:30pm**

Pop in if you have any SEN concerns about your child, want any updates on referrals or updates on how they are doing in class.



## Toddler Group

Charing Primary School Tuesdays  
2:15-3:10pm term time only



Children and their families are invited to join St Peter and St Paul's Mothering Sunday Service 9:30am on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

We hope to see you there!



Coffee club

With Mrs Nunn

**We will return Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April  
2:45pm**

All parents welcome



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### Greek (dress up) Day – Owls class Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Owls class are invited to dress up in Greek themed clothes to take part in their history/geography learning on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March. Your child can come in dressed up as an ancient Greek character. You don't have to buy a costume, please see the next page for some DIY ideas! We are looking forward to the fun!

Class events are back!

We are delighted to be able to start inviting parents back in to school to see what your children have been learning and to take part in an activity with your children. Please see details of dates below.

Owls Class 

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm**

Otters Class 

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm**

Foxes Class 

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2:30pm**

Rabbits Class 

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 9:30am**



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# Activity Resource – OWLS CLASS

The following activities are designed for pupils to create their own costume.

## Children's Costume design

You will need:

- Two white sheets or pieces of fabric approx. 40 inches in width and the length of the child, measured from head to toe.
- A belt or piece of rope
- Brooches, badges or safety pins.
- Sandals or pumps with ribbons attached at the side so when fastened up the leg, the criss-cross effect gives the appearance of Greek sandals.
- Sometimes women wore flowers in their hair as a head-dress.

### For girl's costume

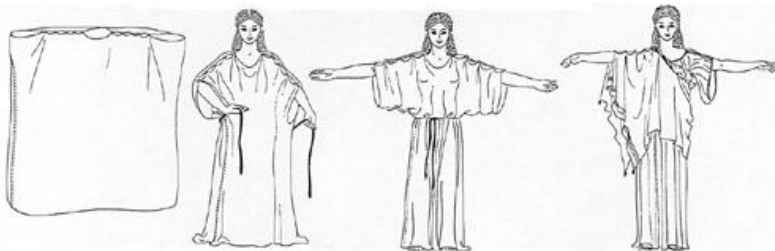
Hold one sheet up against the person and fold the top down to shoulder height. Repeat for the back with the second sheet. Pin both together at the shoulder with safety pins or brooches, then tie around the waist with the belt or rope.

### For a boy's costume

As above, except only pinning the sheets together at one shoulder. Fold down at the unpinned side.

In Ancient Greece, the older you were, the longer your tunic was.

You can decorate the edges with gold writing or cut a stencil out to decorate with a swirl.



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# How to make a Chiton

You will need:

- Black card
- Gold or silver pen
- Scissors
- Glue
- String
- Pasta shapes
- Beads or buttons
- 2 large safety pins
- Material for the costume



## Brooches

1. Cut out two card circles about 10 cms in diameter, and decorate as you like.



2. When dry, turn over and attach safety pins to the back with a little piece of card.



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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about PHONE SCAMS

In a three-month period during 2021, no fewer than 45 million people in the UK experienced a suspicious attempt at being contacted via their mobile. Phone scams are a common form of cyber-attack where fraudsters engage directly with their intended victim through their smartphone. As our phones carry so many sensitive (and therefore potentially valuable) details about us, it's vital that trusted adults are alert to the tactics that scammers use to get access to user accounts, personal data and private information for financial gain.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### SMISHING

SMS phishing, or 'smishing' is one of the most common forms of mobile-based cyber-attack. Smishing is when a scammer texts their target, pretending to be a reputable person or organisation. They aim to trick the victim into supplying sensitive data such as bank details and personal information, so that they can then access the target's bank accounts and remove money.

### IMPERSONATION

Fraudsters often impersonate someone else to trick the victim into actually transferring money directly. They might claim, for example, to be a friend or relative using a different number who urgently needs funds. Other common cons include sending fake texts informing the target that they have a package which requires a fee to be delivered, or that they have an unpaid bill to settle.

### NUMBER SPOOFING

Here, the scammer takes impersonation one step further by cloning the phone number of a genuine company. So when the target receives a call or text, their phone recognises the sender's number as legitimately belonging to Amazon, HMRC, the NHS or the DVLA (who have all been impersonated in these cons). This makes the scam far harder to spot and the victim much more inclined to comply.

### FAKE TECH SUPPORT

Attackers contact a target, pretending to work for their employers' IT support team. They then advise them to download some software to fix 'a technical issue' with their device. In reality, however, the software grants the scammers access to the victim's private data and sensitive information. This con is more common on a desktop and laptop devices, but is still possible to accomplish on mobiles.

### SIM HIJACKING

SIM hijacking switches control of a phone account from the victim's SIM card to one in the scammers' possession. Criminals use personal details pieced together from social media (birthday, address, pet's name and so on) to pose as you, then instruct your phone network to transfer your number to their SIM - giving them access to all calls and texts meant for you, including one-time login passcodes.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### DO SOME DIGGING

If you've received a call or text asking for specific information, research the caller's number. There are several websites that allow you to enter a phone number and will then display any relevant information about it - this usually includes feedback and comments from other people, so you can easily see if that particular number has been implicated in potential scams.

### TRY A CALL BLOCKER

If a suspicious call comes through on your mobile, you can manually block the number if you believe it to be dubious or a nuisance caller. Alternatively, you could consider installing a call blocker service on your phone. They automatically stop calls getting through from numbers which have been reported as suspicious, halting potential scammers in their tracks before they can reach you.

### VERIFY THE SOURCE

Never disclose confidential details to an individual or organisation you're unfamiliar with. If the caller claims to represent a company you trust but is still asking for personal information or payment on an outstanding charge, end the conversation. Then find the company's genuine number on a bill or on their website and call them directly to confirm if there really is an issue you need to address.

### BREAK OUT THE TECH

Lots of anti-virus software now also protects mobiles. Some anti-virus apps can detect phishing links in text messages and alert you to the risk. When you're out and about, try not to use public WiFi for sensitive transactions: it's far less secure than your home WiFi network. Instead, you could consider installing a VPN (virtual private network), which encrypts all data travelling to and from your phone.

### REPORT INCIDENTS

If you or a family member does give out confidential information to a caller you aren't sure about, contact the actual company mentioned to check if the call was genuine. If they confirm that the call was not made by their organisation, you should report it as a potential scam via the Action Fraud website and (depending on exactly what information was divulged) consider involving the police.

### BE WARY OF LINKS

If you get a message from an unknown number asking you to click on a link, report it as spam and do not open the link. One recent example 'warned' victims they'd been exposed to the Omicron variant and needed to click a link to buy a special test - only to find they had paid their money to scammers. Links can also install malware onto your device, so always treat them with extreme caution.

## Meet Our Expert

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