

9th March 2018

Badger Room: To round off our Stone Age topic, the children have this week used the book 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' to learn some key instructional words and phrases. We learnt some facts about mammoths to think about how possible it would be to give a real woolly mammoth a bath and then the children sequenced the

order of events in the book. Many went on to write some of the instructions using the language of 'first', 'next', 'after that' and 'finally'. In



maths, we revisited

doubling numbers to 10 and went on to learn what it means to halve a number when sharing items equally between two. Following a discussion that was started by the children about living near a busy road, we also took time to think about road safety and how to keep ourselves safe when outside school and home.

Hedgehog Room: This week the children have loved thinking about different types of transport and vehicles, decorating our own cardboard cars to zoom around in the garden with, and learning what the different colours on traffic lights mean in some fun active games and craft activities, as well as making some healthy fruit kebabs using red, yellow, and green fruits. We've explored sand and mud with digger trucks and made boats for our water tray, testing whether they will float or sink. We've been busy singing songs about journeys including our favourite, The Wheels on the Bus!



Next week we will celebrate British Science Week by exploring 'cause and effect' in different experiments through the week. Mechanical toys would be very welcome on your child's allocated Show and Tell day (please see the Hedgehogs class info board), or, of course, any books linked to science and discovery!

Named clothes: Please can we remind parents to name all items of clothing. It's so easy for items of clothes to get mixed up and to speed up any changing (PE for example) it really does help to have everything labelled! Mrs Williams has included a local business flyer for good value naming labels in her email today. Alternatively, you can buy labels online or in Cross Embroidery in town, where they sell uniform.

DREAM ○ BELIEVE ○ ACHIEVE

Mother's Day: Family's come in all shapes and sizes! While we are celebrating Mother's Day, we are also getting the children to think about other female members of the family that are special, or a family friend that means a lot. Having International Women's Day yesterday brought this to the fore, and the children have been thinking lots about the amazing women in their lives!

PTFA Events: **SAVE THE DATES!** Easter Eggstravaganza on 28th March, from 3:15-4pm. Details to follow next week. Also, the PTFA are busy planning a super Summer Fete. We have Friday 13th of July as the date and will have an evening festival feel. Again, details will follow when we have them. The next PTFA meeting is on 20th March, 3:15-4:15. All are welcome to join us

Parent questionnaire: Thank you so much to all who have already responded to our satisfaction survey. It really is essential to get feedback from parents and carers and to ensure that any concerns are dealt with quickly. If you haven't already, please do complete the questionnaire by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Key Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 28th March, PTFA Easter Eggstravaganza – details to follow next week

Thursday 29th March – last day of term, finish at 1:30pm

Friday 30th March-Friday 13th April – **EASTER BREAK**

Monday 16th April, return to school

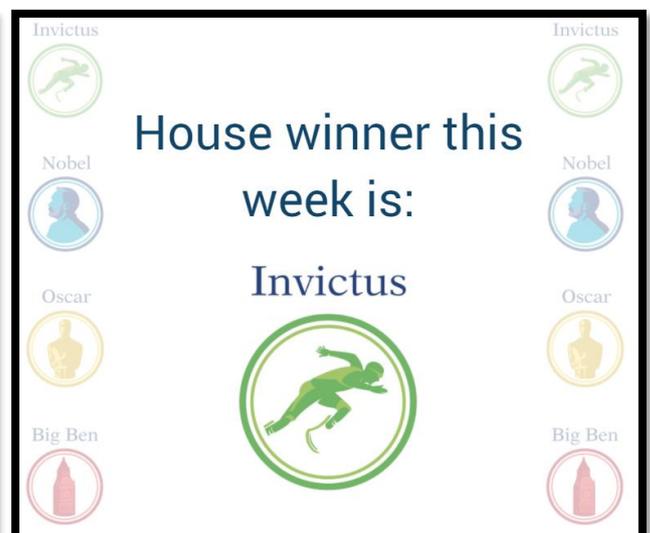
Friday 29th June – INSET day, no children in school

Friday 13th July, 5:30-8:30pm – Summer Festival, details to follow

Have a fantastic weekend

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team





CLUBS

at Longford Park
Primary School

Monday	Tuesday
<p>Sway Dance Club (£3) (all years) led by Ms Whitehead 3:15-4:15pm</p> <p>Ms Whitehead will collect your child from their class, there is no need to come to school until 4:15pm for collection.</p> <p>SIGN UP FOR SWAY DANCE</p>	<p>Stagecoach - £165 (per term) (Ages 4+) Led by Melissa Lewis (Stagecoach Principal) 4:00-5:30pm (optional 3:15-4:00pm crèche led by Stagecoach prior to the class starting - £3 per session)</p> <p>Please contact her directly to book - banbury@stagecoach.co.uk</p>
Thursday	Friday
<p>Kickboxing – Ages 3+ (£4) 3:15-4:15pm Led by Coach Cian, Temple Martial Arts</p> <p>A no-contact sport, which helps with coordination, confidence and discipline – as well as staying in tiptop shape! Join Coach Cian to learn all about it in a fun and safe environment.</p> <p>SIGN UP FOR KICK BOXING</p>	<p>RugbyTots – Ages 3.5+ - £4 3:15-4:15pm Led by Vince Reynolds</p> <p>RugbyTots is a specific play programme for young children. It uses the multiple skills of rugby to create a fun and enjoyable environment whilst developing basic core motor skills. Each session aims to develop hand-eye co-ordination, balance and agility as well as enhancing social and psychological attributes through a series of games and exercises.</p> <p>SIGN UP FOR RUGBY TOTS</p>

Free Trial Piano Tuition – Badgers only

Studies show that time spent at the keyboard improves mental health: people who make music experience less anxiety, loneliness, and depression. Playing piano has also been shown to be a great source of stress relief, and provides ample opportunity to bolster self-esteem. It is also a widely used form of therapy for Attention Deficit Disorder.

Not sure if your child will take to it? **Why not try a month's tuition FREE of charge?** All tuition books and diaries are also supplied free of charge by the service. To obtain an application form, please email MJmusicservices@aol.com
Woolley