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## Headmaster's message

Making mistakes is part of life and it is how we learn. This week I talked about making mistakes and that it is a good thing for us all to do because it helps us understand how to improve and perform better in certain areas. I would like our children to be confident, kind citizens in the world and not be afraid to make a mistake or even worse be scared to try just in case they get it wrong. We need to encourage them to try different things in life and not to worry if they get an answer wrong in class, sing the wrong note or miss a tackle.



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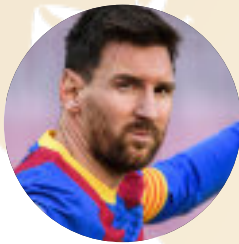
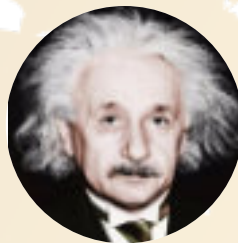
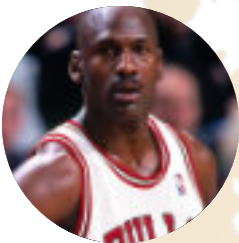
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There are many great individuals from history who have enjoyed great success around the world and they have made many mistakes and by learning from their mistakes, they have gone on to be great people and pioneers in their field. I touched on quotes from characters like Michael Jordan, Lionel Messi, Albert Einstein, Walt Disney and Abraham Lincoln and how they made many mistakes on their individual journeys but each time they used these mistakes as lessons in learning and they went on to improve and to do great things. So my message to all of us and I see this wonderful piece of advice from James Joyce on Mrs Thornton's English classroom door "Mistakes are the portals of discovery" and I could not agree more or with Miss North who said "the bumps are what you climb on."



## THANK YOU LETTER



Mrs Dixon-Clarke and all of 3DC recently received this wonderful handwritten card from a pupil who took part in a tater day. It included handmade pressed poppy bookmarks for the class from the field near their home.





# MUSIC COMPETITION WOWS JUDGE!

On Tuesday we held our annual Music Competition. Pupils from across a range of year groups played instruments including, pianos, violins, cellos, double bass, guitar, trumpet, and horns. There was also a category for singing. The competition featured each pupil playing or singing a piece. A very big thank you to our visiting judge Mr Oliver Walker from Repton School in Derbyshire, who is also Director of Music at and Musical Director of the Solihull Choral Society. He adjudicated the competition awarding certificates in the different categories.



## WINNERS

Elementary Piano - Courtney

Transitional Piano - Izzy

Intermediate Piano - Annabelle

Advanced Piano - Ryan

Strings - Annabelle

Overall Winner - Ryan

Guitar/Ukulele - Clayton

Junior Brass - Izzy

Intermediate Piano - Annabelle

Advanced Piano - Eloise

Senior Brass - Charlie

A huge well done to everyone who took part.





# ANTI-BULLYING WEEK ASSEMBLY



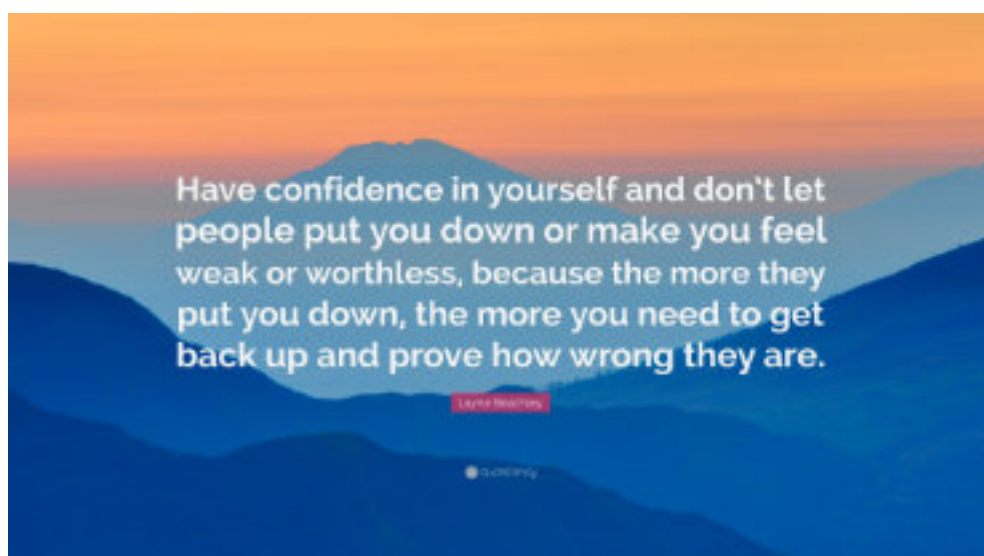
This week is national Anti-bullying Week so, on Wednesday, we faced the bullies head on!

## ODD SOCKS

Wearing odd socks as a manifestation of our differences, we were reminded that we are all unique on the outside and on the inside and that these differences are positives to be celebrated, not negatives to be teased about. Unfortunately, humans are capable of being nasty as well as nice and millions of children and adults are victimised for these differences.



The final message, however, was a positive - even inspirational - one for anyone who has ever been bullied. If you manage to grow the resilience - the 'R' of GRIT - to not let the bullies of today bring you down, you can become even stronger tomorrow - as these people show [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_qi35-kG5b0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_qi35-kG5b0)







# Moments of Magic

*Eloise*

For saying to the lady serving lunch -  
"Your food is perfect!"

*Sam*

As I was walking up to break behind Sam,  
he glanced in the pre-prep door as he  
was walking past then came back and  
opened the door as he had seen Rachel  
coming out with a pram.

Totally unprovoked and a spur of the  
moment kindness!



## OWL RADIO RECORD CHRISTMAS MARKET ADVERT

In this week's Owl Radio activity, the team were given the brief to record an advert for our up coming Christmas Market on 4th December. You can listen to it here - <https://buff.ly/3kRLxqc>

See our Flyer for our Christmas Market at the back of this newsletter.

## COURTNEY BECOMES STAR OF OUR MILITARY BOARDING FILM

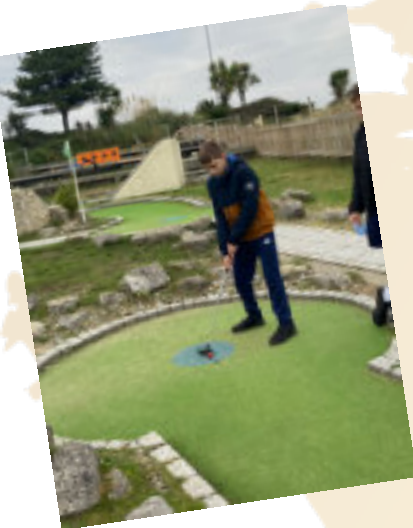
Throughout this week we have been filming at locations around the school showcasing what it is like for a military boarder at FSM. Courtney was an absolutely star in her role. The final edit was previewed at Thursday's full school Assembly. Well done Courtney!





# BOARDING BLOG

Yet another action packed week saw the boarders off on fixtures last Saturday before joining the remembrance parade in Fordingbridge on Sunday morning. All of the boarders either took part in the parade representing the school in Brownies, Guides, Cubs or went down to watch and support. Afterwards they all had hot chocolate in town and then spent the afternoon playing crazy golf in the sun.



On Wednesday night we had our first theme night of the term. The theme was Harry Potter and we had a great night with some outstanding fancy dress as you will see from the photos. There were themed activities around the school which included a Harry Potter quiz, Harry Potter Guess Who, Harry Potter Bingo, Harry Potter word search competition and finally soccer quidditch competition in the DHH. Huge thanks to Miss King for organising a wonderful and memorable evening.







# RECEPTION PROGRAMME BEEBOTS!

Reception have been enjoying programming Beebots. They have been using their knowledge of propositional vocabulary to support their IT skills. The children also have fun using Simple City on their laptops as part of their Continuous Provision.



Reception have also been learning about growth and change this term as part of their Understanding of the World. They planted bulbs this afternoon and thought about the conditions they would need to grow. The children counted the bulbs carefully and some of them used their knowledge to make their own number sentences.







# NEWS FROM THE PRE PREP YEAR 1

This week in Year one we enjoyed our first visit to the FSM hens. We were shown how to carefully pick up the hens ensuring that their wings were held close. We watched with great joy as they enjoyed their beautiful area under the trees scratching the ground in their search for worms. Some of the children joined in the worm search and were happily feeding them a little wiggly feast! In class we have started stitching some of our Christmas crafts with a great deal of care and concentration.



## TOP BANANA!

Our Top Bananas in Geography from Years 6 and 7. Well done everyone!







## YEAR 2

Year 2 enjoyed a fun-filled trip to Southampton Art Museum! They saw the original paintings by Edward Burne-Jones whilst enjoying a retelling of the Greek Myth!

They then completed an excellent art workshop where they patiently moulded sculptures of Medusa's head, complete with deadly snake hair!



The day concluded with a look at a wide variety of paintings, sculptures and exhibits, where the children shared observations about things they liked that they could use in their own future art projects. The staff at the museum were extremely complimentary of Year 2's behaviour, observations and the way they represented the school.

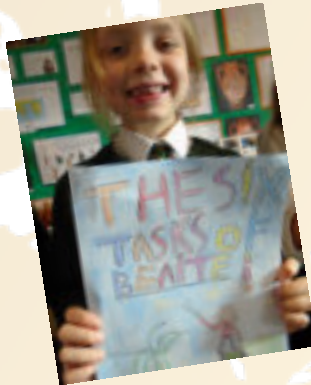
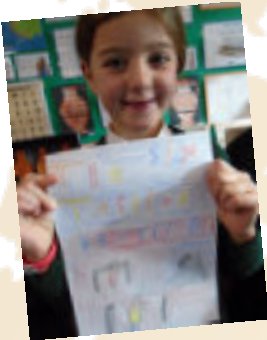




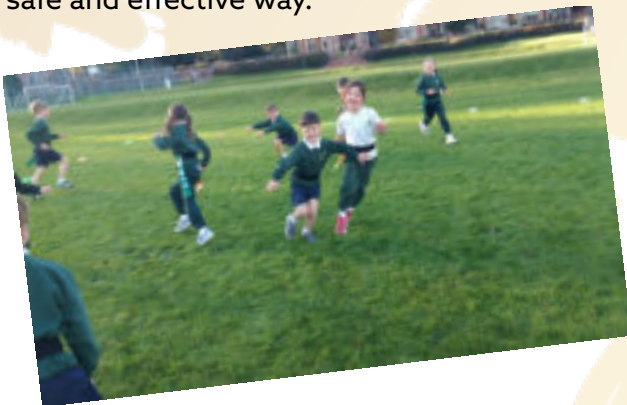


Year 2 have completed their excellent Ancient Greek Myths based on the 12 tasks of Heracles!

They gave themselves ancient Greek names and fought the evil Hoskingeus by completing six deadly tasks, using similes and a range of adjectives to add depth to their writing. They then created an excellent front cover for photocopies of their completed stories to take home and share their hard work with their parents.



In Games Year 2 have been preparing for tag rugby by playing Mario Kart Balloon Battle! They have learned how to put their tag belts on and then attempt to remove each other's belt in a safe and effective way.



## YEAR 3 + 4

Year 3 + 4 have been working hard in ART on some fabulous creations with the Tie and Dye. Watch out for the final results!







# RUGBY CAPTAINS

Huge congratulations to Charlie and Finlay. Their leadership and tenacity on the pitch has nailed down their positions as this season's 1st Team and Colts Rugby Captains.



# JUNIOR FOREST SCHOOLERS

Based on the TV show 'The Cube', our Junior Forest Schoolers took on our own take of it called 'The Forest'. Working in elite groups, the children were faced with physical and mental challenges. Here are some pictures of them in action.







# LEARNING POWER FOCUS: COMMUNICATION

One of the most effective ways to develop our own abilities in anything is to learn from someone who is really good at it. What do they do? What can I do to do it more like that?

Our children have been researching their own communication heroes: people who inspire them and will help them become even better communicators.

Here are some of them. Who's yours?

## My Communication Hero



My communication hero is Martin Luther King. He performed his speech on the 28th of August 1963. He is a good communicator because he stood up and performed a speech in front of the nation about a subject that affected him and his friends. He showed real communication because he showed what he really had to say and the famous speech he did was "I have a dream" and his dream was to free black people from slavery and help them to live a normal life. He took the courage to perform that speech in front of 250,000 people.

He inspires me because he not only got up and talked about a subject that needed talking about so widely, he got up and did one of the most well known speeches to ever exist. I will try to be more like him by being more prepared and organised and being braver about speaking in public.

Stanley C

## My Communication Hero

Gareth Southgate is the England football manager and got the team to the finals of the Euros last year. I think he is a really good communicator as he gets the whole team working with each other not fighting each other which would ruin the whole team. He is so good at communicating because when he is talking he uses his body language so his team gets what he is saying more clearly.

Personally what he does has inspired me to get everyone together and involved in what we are doing as this is what he does in the England team. He has helped me not only understand it but improve it massively.

By Charlie F-S



## My Communication Hero

My communication hero is my Dad because his job is to talk to people during war and tell them what to do and he has been to so many places: Afghanistan, Bangladesh etc and helped them. He is an engineer and builds bridges and roads so he puts a lot of hard work into that. He has been given an OBE this year and is very proud of himself and I am very proud for him to be my dad.



He inspires me because there is so much pressure on him and he has to go to so many meetings and has to talk about problems going on around the world. He communicates well because he has to talk to a lot of people and convince them and he listens and also gives ideas.

I want to be like him because he always gives his ideas and that is something I am not very good at and I can listen well but it is difficult for me to give my opinion and I usually don't but he keeps telling me I should share my opinion and I have gotten much better at that.

Elvi B





## BROWNIES NEWS

Brownies completing a 'window wonder' activity. They made stained glass window art, using a plastic bin liner as a base! Another Unit Meeting Activity completed from the 'Express Yourself' theme.



## REMEMBRANCE PARADE

Some photographs of our Brownies and Guides at the Fordingbridge Remembrance Parade



## GUIDES NEWS

The Guides made their own play-dough, which they later used in an animal modelling challenge



Ahead of a certain big charity event today, our Guides completed a shared painting task in their Patrols, where they chose the theme of Pudsey Bear and Children in Need!

We love these 😊





# FORDINGBRIDGE RUGBY PARTNERSHIP STARTS

Sunday saw the first of our joint training sessions with the club. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time.

Mr Ed Murphy, Minis Chair at Fordingbridge Rugby Club, said:

A big focus for the club is around positivity around attitude around inclusivity. One of the great things about Rugby is that it takes all sorts of people to make a good successful team.

We are very grateful to Scout and Hunter, and Holroyd Howe for the day's refreshments.

To see all the photographs from the day, the video and the full story, click here - <https://buff.ly/3FI18GK>



## MATCH REPORTS

### U10 Rugby vs Stroud

Each week there will be a selection of match reports in our newsletter. All the others can be accessed on the sports portal.

The U10 team played Stroud A team in a bizarre match. The score finished as 9 tries apiece and literally went us score, they score, us score, they score throughout. We were guilty of missing too many tackles but were thankful that we were stronger in possession of the ball and equalled their tally. Tries came from Clayton, Thomas, Ben, Barnaby and in the final play of the match Samuel. Stroud A team then played Stroud B team in a rather one sided affair. Then we took to the field against their B team. In a match I was confident we would win, I set certain restrictions with the aim of improving our positioning and movement of the ball.





In fairness to Stroud B team, it was a closer contest than I expected and despite our 8-5 try victory, there was still room for improvement with some of the basics of rugby. Try scorers were Samuel, Sebbie, Thomas, Ben and Clayton. Man of the match for his continued development and strong runs near the opposition's try line goes to Samuel.

## U13 vs WHP

Well that was an absolute belter of a match. Geez where do I start. It started off exciting and ended in a frenzy. An early try from Alexander really put the bit between the boy's teeth and set them off with a confident start. Stanley was on a different level. The tenacity he tackled with was just something else, mowing down the opposition as if it were nothing. Sam also had outstanding game running hard and making every tackle. This was a spirited team performance and one that showed a lot of class. The boys moved the ball away from the contact area well and with Alexander having a great game at fly half it really opened up space for others around him. Thomas and Ryan showed some true grit and power in the middle of the pitch and Hugo looked dangerous every time he started running with the ball. Toby out on the wing showed his true pace and made some big breaks at important times during the game. Ethan is really coming on and I've no doubt that in a few games times he's going to start scoring for fun with his electric pace and hardened strength. Alvaro was another that had a great game distributing the ball at key moments setting others around him flying through the opposition. Charlie took the captain's arm band this week and lead by example from the off. It was a close call between him and Stanley for man of the match but Charlie not only played outstandingly well but he brought everyone else's game up to a higher level. Gents that was an utter pleasure to ref and you did your school badge and yourselves proud today.



## U10 vs WHP

The U10A team took on a fairly big WHP team and after conceding the opening try, Ben quickly got us back in the game with a darting run of pretty much the entire length of the pitch. We conceded the turnover a couple of times by running into touch which is a no no in this format of the game as it just hands the ball back to the opposition. Their second try also came from a daft turnover conceded from our free pass when only 5m from our try line. A special moment was when Sebbie tackled the biggest player on the pitch. At half time we were 2-1 down thanks to a tremendous try saving tackle by Ben in the final passage of play. The start of the second half saw WHP begin to dominate and they scored three unanswered tries in quick succession. This rather woke us up and spurred us into action. The revival was led by Barney who put four crunching tackles in in the space of 40 seconds. Follow that example boys!!! Our strong runners began to make breaks with Samuel going close before Ben was awarded a penalty try, Thomas nipped in for a try and captain Clayton got on the score sheet. Unfortunately time was not on our side and the end score was 5-4. In fairness, WHP moved the ball through the hands better than we did and this, alongside our shape is an area to work on. Ben, for his brave defence and determined offence goes close but for his fierce tackling and efforts in organising the team, my man of the match goes to Barney.

## U11s vs WHP Rugby

Wow what an absolute belter of a game. The boys truly put on a show displaying many of the skills they have practiced in games. It would be rude not to mention the crunching tackle Toby Davis produced at the start of the match. Despite this positive start FSM struggled to make an impact early allowing WHP a couple of easy tries. The end of the first half finished with the boys nicking a try leaving them with some work to do in the second half.

After a needed team talk and some excellent input from the boys we were able to identify what we could do better and our approach. One of these is to use our size and pace as an advantage. This was quickly seen straight from kick-off as Barnaby scored a magnificent try running through their defence. The momentum continued with Shave brothers working in tandem helping to organise our defence showing their maturity on the field. However, it wasn't all easy going for us in the second half as the breakdown area became a big factor in the ball being turned over, definitely something to work on. A few more great runs from Addai and Freddie allowed FSM to pull off a great comeback with the game finishing 5 - 7.

Man of the Match: Barnaby (3 Tries)





## U13A Girls Hockey Triangular at Ballard

Upon arrival at Ballard, the girls watched Embley play the hosts in the first round. This was a close game, with Embley edging ahead.

We played Embley next. They had beaten us 1 - 0 in last week's tournament, despite us having most of the play and the possession, so we were keen to reset the balance! FSM's girls were tasked with making their first touch count - getting the ball and putting it exactly where they wanted it, be that on their own stick, just ahead of a team-mate... or in the back of the net. Play was end-to-end, with both teams making excellent use of the pitch width and the wingers, Boo, Livi and Jess really being put to work. After a good few minutes of this, Immy slalomed her way around several Embley players to take on the goalie with one of her perfectly timed shots: get said goalie to commit, then pop it past her. 1 - 0 to FSM. Further well-matched gameplay ensued, with Freya and Poppy keeping things safe at the back, aided and abetted by Ella's deft kicks. Another goal from Immy gave us a bit more breathing space, as Embley had been working hard for an equaliser. It wasn't to be - and, just before the final whistle, Immy walloped another strike - saved by the keeper, but Martina was ready to scramble it over the line. A well-deserved 3 - 0 victory to FSM.

Next up was Ballard. Again, a well-matched team, with several of their players showing super pace and stick skills. FSM kept in mind their target (that first touch) and worked hard to do just that. Pace was good, and there were some cracking passes out to the wings. Sometimes, we need to run a little faster, and a little more directly, but progress in this area was evident. Clearances from the back were strong, and there was a huge improvement in the speed with which we were taking free passes: we were away before Ballard were completely ready, which meant we were able to move the ball up the pitch more efficiently, taking advantage of space. Another zig-zag run from Immy secured our first goal, but Ballard were quick to respond, netting an equaliser mere moments later. Battle recommenced, with both teams looking for a winner. There was some super hockey on display! Eventually, FSM's girls' beautifully set up attack saw Immy again knock the ball over the line. There was a final cracking raised strike later, which Ballard's keeper saved with a brilliant reflex reaction, getting her glove to it and clearing it outside the post. However, FSM had done enough to claim a 2 - 1 win.

Fantastic work, girls! Both Embley and Ballard named Ella (our GK) as Girl of the Game (and she was delighted that her Dad was able to watch the game!), but AN was impressed with the whole team dynamic, which Immy led by outstanding example.



# NOTICES

Chicken names

Our Chicken Name Competition Winners:

Pre Prep - Joseph "Sandy"

Year 3 - 5 - Jack - "Henrietta"

Year 6 - 8 - Coutney - "Indie"

They will receive prizes next week



# CHRISTMAS MARKET



- 10.00am Christmas Market begins hosting a variety of Stalls
- 11.00am Activities for children begin in the Pre Prep
- 12noon Senior School Choir singing in the Dudley Hill Hall
- 3.00pm Christmas Market closes

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