



# St John's Green Primary School

## First Footsteps

### Foundation & Year 1 Weekly Newsletter

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#### THIS WEEK:

Class Awards

Lower Phase Reading

Year 1 Learning

Foundation Learning

Forest Schools

#### DIARY DATES:

**Monday 23rd October—Friday 27th**  
Half Term.

**Wednesday 1st November**  
Open School, 3.30-4.15pm

**Wednesday 6th December**  
Open Evening, 5.00-7.30pm

**Wednesday 20th December**  
Last Day of Autumn Term

#### Open Morning

It was lovely to see so many parents able to come to the Open Morning last Wednesday. The children all enjoyed sharing their learning with you. Thank you for completing the questionnaire as the comments will help the school to improve our Open Mornings.



We  Maths

We are all  
writers ... 



We are growing  
our learning 

#### We are Going on a Bear Hunt

Last week the Foundation children set off to Abbey fields to take part in a 'Bear Hunt'. Whilst looking for a grizzly bear they went through long wavy grass, thick oozy mud and even a swirling whirling snowstorm. Finally they found their bear who luckily seemed to be quite friendly. The children had a fantastic time



taking part in the story walk, this brought the story alive for the children and supported their retelling of it when they were back at school.

#### Circus Class at Forest Schools

Last week at Forest school, the rope swings and climbing ropes were available for the children to investigate and develop their climbing and balancing skills. Using these fun types of resources encourages children to think about risk taking and helps to develop their understanding of safety.



During the session there was also time to find mini-beasts and of course play in the mud.



#### Learning in the Foundation Classes

Positional language was the focus of Mathematical learning last week. To demonstrate their knowledge the children had to follow instructions and put the teddy in different positions. Some of the commands included; on, under, next to, in front of and behind.



In Art and Design the children made their own stick men using a range of resources which they had to cut, glue and decorate independently.

#### Weekly Awards

- Star: Charlie Wesbroom**— For his fantastic sounding out when recording.
- Jumbo: Trae King**— For his mathematic vocabulary and revisiting learning from last week on 2D shapes.
- Chariot: Olivia Baker**— For her retelling of the 'Going on a Bear Hunt' story.
- Eagles: Mia Henson**— For her excellent, accurate writing and having a good use of adjectives.
- Circus : Louie Seeley**— For his enthusiasm at Forest Schools and participating in all activities.
- Roses: Bella Weir**— For her fantastic writing about Autumn.
- Heads' Award: Jumbo, Chariot and Star Classes**— For their successful first learning experience out of school.



#### Lower Phase Reading

Class	% Reading
Star	81%
Chariot	85%
Jumbo	68%
Roses	83%
Eagles	91%
Circus	86%

#### After School Clubs—Year 1

Please see below Year 1 After School Clubs that currently have spaces:

- Multiskills (Jumble Juniors) - **Tuesday's**

- Yoga—**Wednesday's**

If you are interested please see the AF School Office

**After School Clubs continue straight after half term as normal**

#### Learning in Year 1

Last week the children in Eagles class were using a range of concrete resources to build up on their understanding of number and addition. They worked in small groups, pairs and on their own to apply and extend their knowledge. Over the half term break a brilliant and fun resource for the children to use to support their maths skills is Number Gym. If you have any problems with logging in please speak to your child's class teacher.

