



School Newsletter 9th January 2025

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2025

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Headteacher's insight

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable holiday season. As we begin this new term, I'd like to extend a warm welcome back to all our pupils, families, and staff, and a special greeting to the new families joining our school community.

The start of a new year always brings a sense of fresh possibilities and renewed focus. This term promises to be a busy and exciting one, filled with opportunities for learning, growth, and connection. Whether it's through the enriching lessons planned, the extracurricular activities on offer, or the special events in the calendar, we're committed to making this term as fulfilling as possible for every child.

We have this week launched our new curriculum (Kapow!) for the foundation subjects. It has been encouraging to hear from the teachers the positive early indicators of the impact of this change. I have enjoyed joining in with lessons that have all had a clear purpose, engaging content and effective support and challenge to meet the needs of our children. We look forward to monitoring and celebrating the continued success of the children with their learning in these subjects.

Spring term clubs launch next week. Please make sure you have booked your child a space through MCAS onto a club list that they would like to enjoy and benefit from. For any booking queries, please contact the office. Please see the schedule below as a reminder of the offer:

Monday

Football After school Y1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Premier Sports - Spaces to be booked using this link - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/309/>

Tuesday

Acrobatics After school Years 4, 5, 6 Miss Brown

Wednesday

Multi sports After school Years 1, 2 Mrs Cole

Thursday

Gymnastics After school Years 5, 6 Mr Parker

Healthy Lifestyles After school Invite only Mrs Futter



Mrs Futter has started her new role this week, working across Fen Ditton Primary and Marleigh Primary Academy, as our Family Support Worker. This is an exciting development for the offer from our two schools and we are looking forward to facilitating the positive impact this will have on our families.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we can ensure that 2025 is a successful and inspiring year for all at Fen Ditton Primary School.



News from our classrooms

EYFS

This week Dolphins class explored finger painting in art and learnt the difference between an abstract piece of art and a figurative piece. Some beautiful individualised paintings were created.



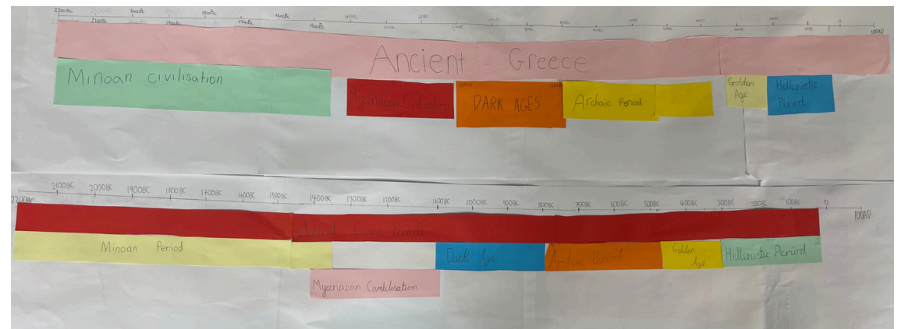
Key Stage 1

In RE this week we discussed what different people believe God looks like. We created a piece of art to express our own ideas about God.

Key Stage 2

In history, **Turtle class** started learning about the periods of time during Ancient Greece and created timelines to represent how long each period lasted.

Jellyfish Class have come back after Christmas excited about learning about the Egyptians in History. We are also enjoying updating our reading corner and reading our book- 'Fantastic Mr Fox'.



Celebration Corner

Spotted by staff:

Willow from Narwhal has shown the school value of kindness this week and been a really supportive friend.

Macy in Turtles for her debate on whether or not to sail around the world in English.

Aisha in Dolphins for her wonderful letter to the Stickman family.



House Point Totals

The house point totals from Autumn term are:
Blackburn - 646 points
Franklin - 988 points
Hawking - 697 points
Darwin - 813 points

This week we wish these members of our school family a very happy birthday:



Jonathan (Narwals) turns 9
Tommy (Turtles) turns 10



Upcoming events and reminders

Key upcoming dates:

January
16th: Parent Forum & Coffee Morning at Fen Ditton 9am

February

7th: Year 3 & 4 Class Assembly at 9.15am
14th: Last Day of Half Term
24th: Back to School

Reminders

Starts w/c 13th January until w/c 31st March

EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS AT YOUR SCHOOL...

Day:	Activity:	Year(s):	Time:	Price
Monday	Football	Y1 - 6	15:30 - 16:30	£5.50 per session

AFTER SCHOOL

SPRING TERM CLUBS

Fen Ditton Community Primary School

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★ We are pleased to inform you that we will be running the above listed clubs at your school this term for boys and girls of all abilities. Full details are available on our website.

To book, please follow these simple steps:

1. visit www.premier-education.com
2. search your postcode in 'book a course'
3. select your school and click **BOOK NOW**
4. complete your details and receive email confirmation of your booking.

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Please note booking remains open throughout the duration of the course, the price will adjust on the payment page! If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, the payment can be paid for by the school. If your family circumstances have changed since being awarded the Pupil Premium grant and you feel you could make a contribution or pay the full payment, it would be very much appreciated.

Any questions email info@premier-education.com

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